


Procedure file

Basic information		
CNS - Consultation procedure Directive	1994/0176(CNS)	Procedure completed
Fresh meat: health conditions for the production and marketing		
Subject 4.20.05 Health legislation and policy		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ENVI Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection		05/10/1994
		PPE SCHNELLDHARDT Horst	
	Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development		08/09/1994
		PSE GÖRLACH Willi	
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Agriculture and Fisheries	1858	22/06/1995
	Agriculture and Fisheries	1816	15/12/1994

Key events			
15/07/1994	Legislative proposal published	COM(1994)0315	Summary
26/09/1994	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
13/03/1995	Vote in committee		Summary
13/03/1995	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0045/1995	
07/04/1995	Debate in Parliament		
07/04/1995	Decision by Parliament	T4-0187/1995	Summary
12/06/1995	Modified legislative proposal published	COM(1995)0270	Summary
22/06/1995	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
22/06/1995	End of procedure in Parliament		
11/10/1995	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	1994/0176(CNS)
Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Directive
Legal basis	EC before Amsterdam E 043
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ENVI/4/05946

Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		COM(1994)0315 OJ C 224 12.08.1994, p. 0015	15/07/1994	EC	Summary
Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report		CES1301/1994 OJ C 397 31.12.1994, p. 0018	23/11/1994	ESC	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0045/1995 OJ C 109 01.05.1995, p. 0003	13/03/1995	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0187/1995 OJ C 109 01.05.1995, p. 0274-0322	07/04/1995	EP	Summary
Modified legislative proposal		COM(1995)0270 OJ C 241 16.09.1995, p. 0008	12/06/1995	EC	Summary

Additional information	
European Commission	EUR-Lex

Final act
Directive 1995/23 OJ L 243 11.10.1995, p. 0007 Summary

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In order to take account of the practical difficulties encountered in applying the hygiene requirements laid down in Directive 64/433/EEC, certain technical amendments were proposed with a view to permitting trade in cuts of all types of offal, clarifying the obligation to indicate the official veterinary approval number on the accompanying commercial document or certificate for meat from authorised cold stores, and clarifying the provisions relating to the accompanying document or certificate. In light of the application of the maximum handling limits laid down in Article 4, it was proposed that these maximum levels be aligned with those adopted by the Council in Directive 92/120/EEC for low-capacity slaughterhouses and cutting plants, and to extend the arrangements for small establishments to small cold stores. Small establishments should be authorised to market their products throughout the Community and to stamp their meat with the oval stamp. Finally, it was proposed that the Member States should be authorised, in justified cases, to exceed the maximum weekly handling limits to take account of specific circumstances. ?

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The Committee on the Environment adopted the report by Mr SCHNELLHARDT. The report welcomed the Commission proposal in that it aimed to remedy the weak points of the directive on fresh meat and to guarantee its correct implementation. However, it felt that it was still

important to take account of the existing relationship between the level and capacity of an establishment and the health requirements for that establishment. According to the report: - the difference with regard to the health requirements to be met by establishments should continue to be highlighted by different markings; - given that a capacity to slaughter up to 20 livestock units per week involved a national market, the opportunities for marketing and moving from the local market, which was too restricted, to the national market could be extended; - it was important to ensure that small and medium-sized establishments could participate more easily in intra-Community trade; - more flexibility should be granted to the authorities in the Member States with regard to approving establishments. ?

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In approving the Schnellhardt report, the European Parliament approved the Commission proposal. ?

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The Commission's amended proposal took over most of the amendments adopted by the European Parliament. However, it did not accept the establishment of a deadline of 31 December 1997 for the end of the derogations provided for by Directive 91/498/EEC (modernisation of establishments) nor the possibility of derogations to the trade regulations for establishments located in frontier regions. ?

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OBJECTIVE: to amend Directive 64/433/EEC with a view to permitting trade in cuts of all types of offal. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Directive 95/23/EC amending Directive 64/433/EEC on conditions for the production and marketing of fresh meat. SUBSTANCE: . Clarification of the requirement to indicate the official veterinary approval number on the accompanying commercial document or certificate for meat from approved cold stores; . Simplification of the provisions relating to the accompanying document or certificate. . In light of the application of the maximum handling limits provided for in Article 4 for low-capacity slaughterhouses and cutting plants, the directive aligns these maximum quantities with those adopted by the Council in Directive 92/120/EEC and extends the provisions laid down for low-capacity establishments to low-capacity cold stores; . Low-capacity establishments must be authorised to market their products throughout the Community and to stamp their meat with the oval stamp; . Member States may derogate from the weekly handling limits where justified to take account of particular circumstances; . Member States must comply with this Directive no later than 1 July 1995. ?