

Draft proposal

Simplification as regards the Payment for Young Farmers

Title	Direct payments – Payment for Young Farmers
Scope	Young Farmer Scheme, Payment for Young Farmers
Legal basis	Chapter 5 of Title III of Regulation 1307/2013
Current Commission Regulations	Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 639/2014
Foreseen date of adoption	Beginning of 2016
Foreseen implementation (optional)	2016 or 2017 at the choice of MS
Purpose of proposal	<p>The Commission's proposal aims at creating the conditions for increasing the effectiveness and the outreach of the 1st pillar's young farmer's payment (YFP) and for reducing the administrative burden linked to controls, as well as for aligning the pillar one provisions for access to YFP with those of pillar two. The following issues are covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The proposal introduces a possibility for Member States to exclude legal bodies controlled jointly by young farmers and other farmers who do not meet the young farmer conditions from the mandatory YFP. With the proposed amendment, as from 2016 or 2017, Member States may decide to limit the access of legal bodies to those controlled solely by young farmers.• The proposal clarifies that it is up to Member States to decide how to treat 2015 (and possibly 2016) beneficiaries who would no longer qualify for the young farmer payment if a Member State changes the rules for joint control of legal bodies.• The proposal explains the applicable rules on determining the date of setting up if a Member State uses this new derogation to exclude joint control young farmer/non-young farmer.

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