



Draft Regulation amending Regulation 2017/1185

Notification of stocks of food and feed commodities

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Background

- We all know the impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine.
- As mentioned in the SCA meeting of 14 March 2022, the Commission is looking into various measures to mitigate the current situation. As indicated in the Communication on food security of 23 March 2022*, these include among others:
 - Better monitoring levels of private stocks of essential commodities for food and feed
 - Delivering a support package of EUR 500 million to support farmers most affected
 - Deploying market safety net measures to support specific markets and allow for increased levels of advances of direct payments later this year.
 - A new self standing Temporary Crisis Framework (TCF) for state aid
 - Allowing Member States to derogate from certain greening obligations in 2022 to bring additional agricultural land into production

* Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions on Safeguarding food security and reinforcing the resilience of food systems ([COM\(2022\) 133 final](#) of 23 March 2022)

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- Recital (4):
- (4) **Russia's invasion of Ukraine** on 24 February 2022 and the resulting disruptions in world market shed light on a series of information gaps. **Up-to-date information on levels of stocks** of cereals, oilseeds and rice, including production and levels of stocks of certified seeds, held by producers, wholesalers and relevant operators revealed itself to be **essential to decide on relevant measures to prevent and mitigate market disruptions**. Reporting obligations should thus be extended to this information.

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- Point 1 of Annex III:
- **1a. Rice:** [existing vs new]
 - *Content of the notification:* for each of the types of rice referred to in Part I, points 2 and 3, of Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013:
 - (a) area planted, agronomic yield, production of paddy rice in the harvest year and milling yield;
 - (b) domestic use (including by the processing industry) of rice expressed in milled equivalent;
 - (c) monthly levels of stocks of rice (expressed in milled equivalent) held by producers and by rice mills ~~on 31 August each year~~, broken down by rice produced in the Union and rice imported.
 - *Period of notification:* by 15 January each year in respect of the previous year as regards area planted and domestic use; **by the end of each month in respect of the preceding month as regards monthly stocks.**
 - *Member States concerned:*
 - (a) for paddy rice production, all rice producing Member States;
 - (b) for domestic use, all Member States;
 - (c) for rice stocks, all rice producing Member States and Member States with rice mills.

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- Point 1 of Annex III:
- **1b. Cereals:** [NEW sub-point]
 - *Content of the notification:* **monthly level of stocks of cereals** relevant for the Union market **based on stocks held by relevant producers, wholesalers and operators.**
 - *Period of notification:* by the end of each month in respect of the preceding month.
 - *Member States concerned:* all Member States.
- **1c. Oilseeds:** [NEW sub-point]
 - *Content of the notification:* **monthly level of stocks of rapeseed, sunflower seed, soya bean, rapeseed meal, sunflower seed meal, soya meal, crude rape oil, crude sunflower oil and crude soya bean oil based on stocks held by relevant producers, wholesalers and operators.** [Same products as in point 3 of Annex I = weekly prices]
 - *Period of notification:* by the end of each month in respect of the preceding month.
 - *Member States concerned:* all Member States.

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- Point 1 of Annex III:
- **1d. Certified seeds:** [NEW sub-point]
 - *Content of the notification:* **for the cereals, rice, oilseeds and protein crops** for which Member States notify prices based on points 1, 2 and 3 of Annex I or point 2 of Annex II:
 - (a) **area** accepted for certification; [yearly – 15 November]
 - (b) **quantities** of harvested seed for certification; [yearly – 15 January]
 - (c) **level of stocks** of certified seed held by relevant operators; [2x/yr – end February + end July]
 - *Period of notification:* by 15 November each year **in respect of area harvested in that year** as regards area accepted for certification; by 15 January each year **in respect of the previous year as regards harvested seed**; by the end of February and the end of July in respect of the preceding month as regards stocks.
 - *Member States concerned:* Member States concerned by points 1, 2 and 3 of Annex I or point 2 of Annex II.

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When?

- Guidelines and best practices on the methodologies to be used for collecting the data will be discussed with the Member States and shared in a **technical fiche, as soon as possible**.
 - We expect the amendment to be **published in the second half of May 2022**.
 - The new notification schedule will be **applicable from 1 July 2022**.
- This means that **we expect the first monthly notifications by end of July 2022**.

Thank you



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