

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 131/2018

of 6 July 2018

amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) and Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/221 of 15 February 2018 amending Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the European Union reference laboratory for transmissible spongiform encephalopathies¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/222 of 15 February 2018 amending Annex VII to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the European Union reference laboratory for monitoring the viral and bacteriological contamination of bivalve molluscs² is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) This Decision concerns legislation regarding veterinary matters, feedingstuffs and foodstuffs. Legislation regarding veterinary matters, feedingstuffs and foodstuffs shall not apply to Liechtenstein as long as the application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products is extended to Liechtenstein, as specified in the sectoral adaptations to Annex I and the introduction to Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (4) Annexes I and II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex I to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following indents are added in points 11 (Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) in Part 1.1 of Chapter I and 31j (Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Chapter II:
 - ‘- **32018 R 0221**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/221 of 15 February 2018 (OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 6),

¹ OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 6.

² OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 8.

- **32018 R 0222**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/222 of 15 February 2018 (OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 8).’
- 2. The following indent is added in point 12 (Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council) in Part 7.1 of Chapter I:
 - ‘- **32018 R 0221**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/221 of 15 February 2018 (OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 6).’

Article 2

The following indents are added in point 54zzzi (Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

- ‘- **32018 R 0221**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/221 of 15 February 2018 (OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 6),
- **32018 R 0222**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/222 of 15 February 2018 (OJ L 43, 16.2.2018, p. 8).’

Article 3

The texts of Regulations (EU) 2018/221 and (EU) 2018/222 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

Article 4

This Decision shall enter into force on 7 July 2018, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made*.

Article 5

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 6 July 2018.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

Oda Helen Sletnes

*The Secretaries
to the EEA Joint Committee*

* No constitutional requirements indicated.

Provisional text