

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 4/2016****of 5 February 2016****amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement [2017/1287]**

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 Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/225 of 11 February 2015 amending Annexes I and II to Decision 2009/861/EC on transitional measures under Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the processing of non-compliant raw milk in certain milk-processing establishments in Bulgaria ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 of 10 August 2015 laying down specific rules on official controls for *Trichinella* in meat ⁽²⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1474 of 27 August 2015 concerning the use of recycled hot water to remove microbiological surface contamination from carcasses ⁽³⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 repeals Commission Regulation (EC) No 2075/2005 ⁽⁴⁾, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (5) This Decision concerns legislation regarding veterinary matters. Legislation regarding veterinary matters 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 to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (6) Annex I to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

1. The following sub-indent is added under transitional arrangement in indent (Commission Decision 2009/861/EC) in point 17 (Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) in Part 6.1:
'— **32015 D 0225**: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/225 of 11 February 2015 (OJ L 37, 13.2.2015, p. 15).'
2. The following point is inserted after point 20 (Commission Regulation (EU) No 1079/2013) in Part 6.1:
'21. **32015 R 1474**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1474 of 27 August 2015 concerning the use of recycled hot water to remove microbiological surface contamination from carcasses (OJ L 225, 28.8.2015, p. 7).'
3. The text of point 54 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2075/2005) in Part 6.2 is replaced by the following:
'**32015 R 1375**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 of 10 August 2015 laying down specific rules on official controls for *Trichinella* in meat (OJ L 212, 11.8.2015, p. 7).'

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 37, 13.2.2015, p. 15.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 212, 11.8.2015, p. 7.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 225, 28.8.2015, p. 7.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 338, 22.12.2005, p. 60.

Article 2

The texts of Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/225, Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1375 and Regulation (EU) 2015/1474 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 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 6 February 2016, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (*).

Article 4

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, 5 February 2016.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

Claude MAERTEN

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.