

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 264/2022

of 23 September 2022

amending Annex XX (Environment) 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 Decision (EU) 2022/1229 of 11 July 2022 amending Decisions 2014/312/EU, 2014/391/EU, 2014/763/EU, (EU) 2016/1332 and (EU) 2017/176 as regards the period of validity of the EU Ecolabel criteria and of the related assessment and verification requirements¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Decision (EU) 2022/1244 of 13 July 2022 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for growing media and soil improvers² is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Decision (EU) 2022/1244 repeals Commission Decision (EU) 2015/2099³, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Annex XX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

1. The text of point 2d (Commission Decision (EU) 2015/2099) is replaced by the following:
‘**32022 D 1244**: Commission Decision (EU) 2022/1244 of 13 July 2022 establishing the EU Ecolabel criteria for growing media and soil improvers (OJ L 190, 19.7.2022, p. 141).’
2. The following indent is added in points 2v (Commission Decision 2014/312/EU), 2w (Commission Decision 2014/391/EU) and 2zo (Commission Decision 2014/763/EU):
‘- **32022 D 1229**: Commission Decision (EU) 2022/1229 of 11 July 2022 (OJ L 189, 18.7.2022, p. 20).’
3. The following is added in points 2zb (Commission Decision (EU) 2017/176) and 2zd (Commission Decision (EU) 2016/1332):

¹ OJ L 189, 18.7.2022, p. 20.

² OJ L 190, 19.7.2022, p. 141.

³ OJ L 303, 20.11.2015, p. 75.

‘, as amended by:

- **32022 D 1229**: Commission Decision (EU) 2022/1229 of 11 July 2022 (OJ L 189, 18.7.2022, p. 20).’

Article 2

The texts of Decisions (EU) 2022/1229 and (EU) 2022/1244 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 24 September 2022, 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, 23 September 2022.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

Kristján Andri Stefánsson

*The Secretaries
To the EEA Joint Committee*

Siri Veseth Meling

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* No constitutional requirements indicated.