

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 236/2017****of 15 December 2017****amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement [2019/1644]**

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 Recommendation (EU) 2016/22 of 7 January 2016 on the prevention and reduction of ethyl carbamate contamination in stone fruit spirits and stone fruit marc spirits, repealing Recommendation 2010/133/EU ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Recommendation (EU) 2016/22 repeals Commission Recommendation 2010/133/EU ⁽²⁾ which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (3) This Decision concerns legislation regarding spirit drinks. Legislation regarding spirit drinks 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 introduction to Chapter XXVII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (4) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

1. The following point is inserted after point 10 (Commission Recommendation 2010/133/EU):

'11. **32016 H 0022:** Commission Recommendation (EU) 2016/22 of 7 January 2016 on the prevention and reduction of ethyl carbamate contamination in stone fruit spirits and stone fruit marc spirits, repealing Recommendation 2010/133/EU (OJ L 6, 9.1.2016, p. 8).'

2. The text of point 10 (Commission Recommendation 2010/133/EU) is deleted.

*Article 2*The text of Recommendation (EU) 2016/22 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 6, 9.1.2016, p. 8.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 52, 3.3.2010, p. 53.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 16 December 2017, 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, 15 December 2017.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Sabine MONAUNI

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.