

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE****No 44/2018****of 23 March 2018****amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement  
[2020/61]**

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 Regulation (EU) 2017/1473 of 14 August 2017 amending Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards the arrangements for imports of organic products from third countries <sup>(1)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) This Decision concerns legislation regarding foodstuffs. Legislation regarding 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 introduction to Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (3) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following indent is added in point 54bb (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008) of Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

‘— **32017 R 1473**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1473 of 14 August 2017 (OJ L 210, 15.8.2017, p. 4).’

*Article 2*

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1473 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 March 2018, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (\*).

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 210, 15.8.2017, p. 4.

(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.

*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 March 2018.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Claude MAERTEN

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