DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 284/2019

of 13 December 2019

amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) and Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement [2020/302]

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) 2019/1139 of 3 July 2019 amending Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005 as regards official controls on food of animal origin in relation to requirements concerning food chain information and fishery products and to the reference to recognised testing methods for marine biotoxins and to testing methods for raw milk and heat-treated cow’s milk (1) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(2) This Decision concerns legislation containing provisions regarding plant health. Legislation regarding plant health falls outside the scope of the EEA Agreement and provisions regarding plant health shall therefore not apply to the EFTA States.

(3) This Decision concerns legislation containing provisions regarding live animals, other than fish and aquaculture animals. Provisions regarding live animals, other than fish and aquaculture animals, shall not apply to Iceland, as specified in paragraph 2 of the Introductory Part of Chapter I of Annex I to the EEA Agreement.

(4) 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.

(5) Annexes I and II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1


Article 2

The following indent is added in point 54zzzk (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2074/2005) of Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:


Article 3

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1139 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 14 December 2019, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (\(^a\)), or on the day of the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 210/2019 of 27 September 2019 (\(^b\)), whichever is the later.

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, 13 December 2019.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

Gunnar PÁLSSON

\(^a\) No constitutional requirements indicated.
\(^b\) Not yet published in the Official Journal.