

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 124/2020

of 25 September 2020

**amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) 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 Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/977 of 7 July 2020 derogating from Regulations (EC) No 889/2008 and (EC) No 1235/2008 as regards controls on the production of organic products due to the COVID-19 pandemic¹ 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 point is inserted after point 54bb (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008) of Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

‘54bc. **32020 R 0977**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/977 of 7 July 2020 derogating from Regulations (EC) No 889/2008 and (EC) No 1235/2008 as regards controls on the production of organic products due to the COVID-19 pandemic (OJ L 217, 8.7.2020, p. 1).’

Article 2

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/977 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 217, 8.7.2020, p. 1.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 26 September 2020, 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, 25 September 2020.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

Sabine Monauni

*The Secretaries
To the EEA Joint Committee*

Hege M. Hoff

Mikołaj Karłowski

* No constitutional requirements indicated.