

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 135/2021

of 23 April 2021

**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 Decision (EU) 2020/569 of 16 April 2020 establishing a common format and information content for the submission of the information to be reported by Member States pursuant to Directive 2010/63/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes and repealing Commission Implementing Decision 2012/707/EU¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/569 repeals Commission Implementing Decision 2012/707/EU², which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Commission Implementing Decision 2014/11/EU³, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement, has become obsolete and is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The text of point 15zp (Commission Implementing Decision 2012/707/EU) of Chapter XIII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement is replaced by the following:

‘**32020 D 0569**: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/569 of 16 April 2020 establishing a common format and information content for the submission of the information to be reported by Member States pursuant to Directive 2010/63/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes and repealing Commission Implementing Decision 2012/707/EU (OJ L 129, 24.4.2020, p. 16).’

¹ OJ L 129, 24.4.2020, p. 16.

² OJ L 320, 17.11.2012, p. 33.

³ OJ L 10, 15.1.2014, p. 18.

Article 2

The text of Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/569 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 April 2021, 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 April 2021.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

Clara Ganslandt

*The Secretaries
To the EEA Joint Committee*

Hege M. Hoff

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* No constitutional requirements indicated.