

J. Customs legislation

1. Council Regulation (EC) No 1186/2009 of 16 November 2009 setting up a Community system of reliefs from customs duty

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TITLE III RELIEF FROM EXPORT DUTIES

CHAPTER XXI Goods imported for trade promotion purposes

Article 90

1. Subject to Articles 91 to 94, the following shall be admitted free of import duties:

(...)

(d) printed matter, catalogues, prospectuses, price lists, advertising posters, calendars, whether or not illustrated, unframed photographs and other articles supplied free of charge in order to advertise goods manufactured outside the customs territory of the Community and displayed at a trade fair or similar event.

2. For the purposes of paragraph 1, "trade fair or similar event" means:

(a) exhibitions, fairs, shows and similar events connected with trade, industry, agriculture or handicrafts;

(b) exhibitions and events held mainly for charitable reasons;

(c) exhibitions and events held mainly for scientific, technical, handicraft, artistic, educational or cultural, or sporting reasons, for religious reasons or for reasons of worship, trade union activity or tourism, or in order to promote international understanding;

(d) meetings of representatives of international organisations or collective bodies;

(e) official or commemorative ceremonies and gatherings;

but not exhibitions staged for private purposes in commercial stores or premises to sell goods of third countries.

CHAPTER XXIV Tourist information literature

Article 103

Without prejudice to Articles 42 to 50, the following shall be admitted free of import duties:

(a) documentation (leaflets, brochures, books, magazines, guidebooks, posters whether or not framed, unframed photographs and photographic enlargements, maps whether or not illustrated, window transparencies, and illustrated calendars) intended to be distributed free of charge and the principal purpose of which is to encourage the public to visit foreign countries, in particular in order to attend cultural, tourist, sporting, religious or trade or professional meetings or events, provided that such literature contains not more than 25 % of private commercial advertising matter, excluding all private commercial advertising for Community firms, and that the general nature of its promotional aims is evident;

TITLE IV GENERAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 130

This Regulation shall not preclude retention:

(a) by Greece of the special status accorded to Mount Athos as guaranteed by Article 105 of the Greek Constitution;

2. Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 September 2003 on genetically modified food and feed (Text with EEA relevance)

Official Journal L 268, 18/10/2003 P. 0001 – 002, last amended by Regulation (EC) No 298/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008, Official Journal L 097, 09/04/2008 P. 0064 – 0066

[Whereas]

(22) In addition, the labelling should give information about any characteristic or property which renders a food or feed different from its conventional counterpart with respect to composition, nutritional value or nutritional effects, intended use of the food or feed and health implications for certain sections of the population, as well as any characteristic or property which gives rise to ethical or religious concerns.

Chapter II Genetically modified food

Section 1 Authorisation and supervision

Article 4 Requirements

1. Food referred to in Article 3(1) must not:

(a) have adverse effects on human health, animal health or the environment;

(b) mislead the consumer;

(c) differ from the food which it is intended to replace to such an extent that its normal consumption would be nutritionally disadvantageous for the consumer.

2. No person shall place on the market a GMO for food use or food referred to in Article 3(1) unless it is covered by an authorisation granted in accordance with this Section and the relevant conditions of the authorisation are satisfied.

(...)

Article 5 Application for authorisation

1. To obtain the authorisation referred to in Article 4(2), an application shall be submitted in accordance with the following provisions.

(...)

3. The application shall be accompanied by the following:

(...)

(g) either a reasoned statement that the food does not give rise to ethical or religious concerns, or a proposal for labelling it in accordance with Article 13(2)(b);

Section 2 Labelling

Article 13 Requirements

1. Without prejudice to the other requirements of Community law concerning the labelling of foodstuffs, foods falling within the scope of this Section shall be subject to the following specific labelling requirements:

(...)

2. In addition to the labelling requirements referred to in paragraph 1, the labelling shall also mention any characteristic or property, as specified in the authorisation, in the following cases:

(...)

(b) where a food may give rise to ethical or religious concerns.

Chapter III Genetically modified feed

Section 1 Authorisation and supervision

Article 15 Scope

1. This Section shall apply to:
 - (a) GMOs for feed use;
 - (b) feed containing or consisting of GMOs;
 - (c) feed produced from GMOs.

Article 16 Requirements

2. No person shall place on the market, use or process a product referred to in Article 15(1) unless it is covered by an authorisation granted in accordance with this Section and the relevant conditions of the authorisation are satisfied.

Article 17 Application for authorisation

1. To obtain the authorisation referred to in Article 16(2), an application shall be submitted in accordance with the following provisions.

(...)

3. The application shall be accompanied by the following:

(...)

- (g) either a reasoned statement that the feed does not give rise to ethical or religious concerns, or a proposal for labelling it in accordance with Article 25(2)(d);

Section 2 Labelling

Article 24 Scope

1. This Section shall apply to feed referred to in Article 15(1).

Article 25 Requirements

1. Without prejudice to the other requirements of Community law concerning the labelling of feed, feed referred to in Article 15(1) shall be subject to the specific labelling requirements laid down below.

2. No person shall place a feed referred to in Article 15(1) on the market unless the particulars specified below are shown, in a clearly visible, legible and indelible manner, on an accompanying document or, where appropriate, on the packaging, on the container or on a label attached thereto.

Each feed of which a particular feed is composed shall be subject to the following rules:

(...)

- (d) as specified in the authorisation, any characteristic or property where a feed may give rise to ethical or religious concerns.

3. Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

Official Journal L 256, 07/09/1987 P. 0001 – 0675, last amended by Regulation (EU) No 1218/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2012, Official Journal L 351, 20/12/2012 P. 0036 - 0039

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 is replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

ANNEX I - COMBINED NOMENCLATURE

Part two - Schedule of customs duties

Section XIV Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal, and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin

Chapter 71 Natural or cultured pearls, precious or semi-precious stones, precious metals, metals clad with precious metal, and articles thereof; imitation jewellery; coin

Notes

9. For the purposes of heading 7113, the expression "articles of jewellery" means:

(a) any small objects of personal adornment (for example, rings, bracelets, necklaces, brooches, earrings, watch-chains, fobs, pendants, tiepins, cuff links, dress-studs, religious or other medals and insignia); and

(b) articles of personal use of a kind normally carried in the pocket, in the handbag or on the person (for example, cigar or cigarette cases, snuff boxes, cachou or pill boxes, powder boxes, chain purses or prayer beads).

(...)

10. For the purposes of heading 7114, the expression "articles of goldsmiths" or silversmiths' wares' includes such articles as ornaments, tableware, toilet-ware, smokers' requisites and other articles of household, office or religious use.