

## COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1591/98

of 23 July 1998

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1709/84 on minimum prices payable to producers and amounts of production aid for certain processed fruit and vegetables eligible for production aid

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

*Article 1*

Regulation (EEC) No 1709/84 is hereby amended as follows:

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2201/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the markets in processed fruit and vegetable products<sup>(1)</sup>, as amended by Regulation (EC) No 2199/97<sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 4(9) thereof,

1. In Article 4:

— the third subparagraph of paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

‘However, after application of one of the coefficients laid down in Annex V, the amount of aid shall be reduced by 4 % in the case of certain concentrate preparations with a dry weight content of not more than 18 % and with not more than 4 % skin and pips by weight of product.’

Whereas Article 1(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 504/97<sup>(3)</sup>, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1590/98<sup>(4)</sup>, defines products covered by the system of production aid;

— paragraph 2 is replaced by the following:

‘2. For tomato juice with a dry weight content of not less than 7 % and containing not more than 4 % skin and pips by weight of product, the amount of aid shall be reduced by 4 %’;

Whereas the aforementioned Regulation (EC) No 1590/98 amends some of those definitions, in particular in the case of tomato juice; whereas, in view of those amendments, an aid reduction rate should be provided for, calculated in accordance with Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 2201/96, for certain types of tomato juice;

2. Part II of Annex V is deleted.

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Products Processed from Fruit and Vegetables,

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 23 July 1998.

*For the Commission*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 297, 21. 11. 1996, p. 29.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 303, 6. 11. 1997, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 78, 20. 3. 1997, p. 14.

<sup>(4)</sup> See page 11 of this Official Journal.