

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 222/2017

of 15 December 2017

amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement [2019/1630]

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) 2017/660 of 6 April 2017 concerning a coordinated multiannual control programme of the Union for 2018, 2019 and 2020 to ensure compliance with maximum residue levels of pesticides and to assess the consumer exposure to pesticide residues in and on food of plant and animal origin ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/660 repeals, with effect from 1 January 2018, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/662 ⁽²⁾, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement with effect from 1 January 2018.
- (3) 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.
- (4) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following is inserted after point 128 (Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1202):

'129. **32017 R 0660:** Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/660 of 6 April 2017 concerning a coordinated multiannual control programme of the Union for 2018, 2019 and 2020 to ensure compliance with maximum residue levels of pesticides and to assess the consumer exposure to pesticide residues in and on food of plant and animal origin (OJ L 94, 7.4.2017, p. 12).

The provisions of the Regulation shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 94, 7.4.2017, p. 12.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 115, 29.4.2016, p. 2.

In the table in point (5) in Annex II, the following shall be added:

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2. The text of point 121 (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/662) shall be deleted with effect from 1 January 2018.

Article 2

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/660 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 16 December 2017, 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, 15 December 2017.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Sabine MONAUNI

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.