

REGULATION (EEC) No 2805/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 12 October 1973

determining a list of white quality wines, produced in specified regions and of imported white quality wines containing a certain percentage of sulphur dioxide and laying down certain transitional provisions relating to the percentage of sulphur dioxide in wines produced before 1 October 1973

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 (1) of 28 April 1970 laying down additional provisions for the common organization of the market in wine, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2592/73 (2), and in particular Article 26a (3) thereof;

Whereas Article 26a (1) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 816/70 provided the possibility to increase the maximum content of sulphur dioxide to 400 mg/l for certain white quality wines produced in specified regions and certain white imported quality wines having particular production and preparation features;

Whereas this provision should be limited only to those white quality wines whose conditions of production and usual methods of preparation, as oenological knowledge stands at present, necessitate the use of a higher content of sulphur dioxide than other wines;

Whereas in Article 26a it is also laid down that provisions should be adopted in respect of wines produced before 1 October 1973 which for good reason do not fulfil the requirements of this Regulation;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Wine,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The maximum total content of sulphur dioxide is 400 mg/l:

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

Done at Brussels, 12 October 1973.

A. *White quality wines produced in specified regions:*

- (a) wines having the right to the name Beerenauslese;
- (b) wines having the right to the name Trockenbeerenauslese;
- (c) Sauterne;
- (d) Barsac.

B. *Imported white quality wines:*

White quality wines having the right to the name Beerenauslese or Trockenbeerenauslese in conformity with the Community provisions or in their absence with those of the Member States.

Article 2

In respect of wines of which there is proof they were produced before 1 October 1973, the provisions of Article 26a of Council Regulation (EEC) No 816/70:

- shall not apply if they are marketed for direct human consumption in containers of 5 litres or less;
- shall not apply on or before 1 January 1974 if they are marketed for direct human consumption in containers of more than 5 litres.

Article 3

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

It shall apply from 1 October 1973.

For the Commission

The President

Francois-Xavier ORTOLI

(1) OJ No L 99, 5. 5. 1970, p. 20.

(2) OJ No L 269, 26. 9. 1973, p. 1.