

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 1660/2003
of 19 September 2003
amending the specification of a name appearing in the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1107/96
(Ossau-Iraty)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 of 14 July 1992 on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 692/2003 ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 9 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) In accordance with Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92, the French authorities have requested in respect of the name 'Ossau-Iraty', registered as a protected designation of origin by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1107/96 of 12 June 1996 on the registration of geographical indications and designations of origin under the procedure laid down in Article 17 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1571/2003 ⁽⁴⁾, the amendment of the method of production and of the national legal requirements.
- (2) Following examination of this request for amendment, it has been decided that the amendments concerned are not minor.

- (3) In accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 9 of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 and since the amendments are not minor, the Article 6 procedure applies *mutatis mutandis*.
- (4) It has been decided that the amendments in this case comply with Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92. No statement of objection, within the meaning of Article 7 of the Regulation, has been sent to the Commission following the publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union* ⁽⁵⁾ of the amendments.
- (5) Consequently, these amendments must be registered and published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The amendments set out in the Annex to this Regulation are hereby registered and published in accordance with Article 6(4) of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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

Done at Brussels, 19 September 2003.

For the Commission
Franz FISCHLER
Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 208, 24.7.1992, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 99, 17.4.2003, p. 1.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 148, 21.6.1996, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 224, 6.9.2003, p. 17.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ C 252, 12.9.2001, p. 16 (Ossau-Iraty).

ANNEX

FRANCE

Ossau-Iraty

Method of production:

The authorised breeds of sheep are specified: Basque-béarnaise or Manech black or red head (**in place of:** 'traditional breeds').

National requirements:

For: 'Decree of 29 December 1986',

read: 'Decree on the designation of origin "Ossau-Iraty"'.
