

COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 647/2006**of 27 April 2006****on the issue of rice import licences for applications lodged in the first 10 working days of April 2006 under Regulation (EC) No 327/98**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1785/2003 of 29 September 2003 on the common organisation of the markets in rice ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 327/98 of 10 February 1998 opening and providing for the administration of certain tariff quotas for imports of rice and broken rice ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 5(2) thereof,

Whereas:

An examination of the quantities for which rice import licence applications have been lodged for the April 2006 tranche shows that licences should be issued for the quantities applied for, multiplied, where appropriate, by a percentage reduction and

the quantities available for carry-over to the following tranche should be fixed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Import licence applications for the tariff quotas for rice opened by Regulation (EC) No 327/98, submitted in the first 10 working days of April 2006 and notified to the Commission shall be subject to percentage reduction coefficients as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

2. The quantities available under the April 2006 tranche, to be carried over to the following tranche, shall be as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 28 April 2006.

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

Done at Brussels, 27 April 2006.

For the Commission

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Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 270, 21.10.2003, p. 96. Regulation as amended by Regulation (EC) No 247/2006 (OJ L 42, 14.2.2006, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 37, 11.2.1998, p. 5. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2152/2005 (OJ L 342, 24.12.2005, p. 30).

ANNEX

Reduction percentages to be applied to quantities applied for under the tranche for April 2006 and quantities available for the following tranche:

(a) Quota of wholly milled or semi-milled rice falling within CN code 1006 30 provided for in Article 1(1)(a):

Origin	Serial No	Reduction percentage for the April 2006 tranche	Quantity carried over to the tranche for July 2006 (tonnes)
United States of America	09.4127	0 ⁽¹⁾	11 635
Thailand	09.4128	0 ⁽¹⁾	1 230,404
Australia	09.4129	0 ⁽¹⁾	531,5
Other origins	09.4130	98,7985	0

⁽¹⁾ To be issued for the quantity in the application.

(b) Quota of husked rice falling within CN code 1006 20 provided for in Article 1(1)(b):

Origin	Serial No	Reduction percentage for the April 2006 tranche	Quantity carried over to the tranche for July 2006 (tonnes)
Australia	09.4139	0 ⁽¹⁾	7 822
United States of America	09.4140	0 ⁽¹⁾	5 732
Thailand	09.4144	0 ⁽¹⁾	1 812
Other origins	09.4145	0 ⁽¹⁾	117

⁽¹⁾ To be issued for the quantity in the application.