

**Information communicated by Member States regarding State aid granted under Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 on the application of Articles 87 and 88 of the Treaty to State aid to small and medium-sized enterprises active in the production of agricultural products and amending Regulation (EC) No 70/2001**

(2009/C 217/04)

**Aid No:** XA 190/09

supplementation of damage mitigation resources from the national budget

**Member State:** Hungary

**Maximum aid intensity:**

**Region:** Magyarország

Maximum aid intensity shall not exceed 80 % of the loss in yields caused by adverse climatic events, or 90 % in less favoured areas.

**Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving an individual aid:** A nemzeti agrárkár-enyhítési rendszerről és a kárenyhítési hozzájárulásról szóló állami támogatási program módosítása.

The value of the loss in yields shall be reduced by the compensation paid by insurance companies and the reduction in the costs of harvesting (the damage will lead to less crop, thus the cost of harvesting will be proportionately smaller).

**Legal basis:**

— A nemzeti agrárkár-enyhítési rendszerről és a kárenyhítési hozzájárulásról szóló 2008. évi CI. törvény módosításáról szóló 2009. évi ... törvényjavaslat,

The amount of damage mitigation contribution paid by the agricultural producer shall be HUF 2 000 per hectare per year on land used for growing grapes and fruit and HUF 800 per hectare per year on other land

— A nemzeti agrárkár-enyhítési rendszerről és a kárenyhítési hozzájárulásról szóló 2008. évi CI. törvény.

**Date of implementation:** Subject to the decision of the Hungarian Parliament and the approval of the European Commission, the first week of July 2009

**Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:**

**Duration of scheme or individual aid award:** Until 31 December 2013

Hail damage to be included in the range of types of natural disaster damage as set out in State aid scheme No XA 386/08 (Act CI of 2008).

**Objective of aid:**

The amendment incurs no additional cost to the national budget.

The aid seeks to improve the efficiency of the national agricultural damage-mitigation scheme (set up with a view to reducing the effects of damage caused by natural disaster in agriculture) and State aid in general, by including hail damage among the range of types of natural disaster damage, in addition to frost, inland inundation and drought already included pursuant to Act CI of 2008 currently in force and affecting agricultural producers contributing to the scheme.

The period for the payment of damage mitigation contributions shall last until 30 June of the current year. Before this date it is not possible to assess accurately the total amount of contributions — paid by agricultural producers joining the Damage Mitigation Scheme on a mandatory or voluntary basis — to which the national budget will subsequently contribute at least an equal amount. The extent of actual damages will not be known until after 10 November of the current year, the deadline for submitting damage mitigation claims to the agricultural damage mitigation body.

Relevant Community legislation allows for hail damage to be included in the agricultural damage scheme and includes hail as an adverse climatic event which can be assimilated to a natural disaster. Article 11 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006: Aid for losses due to adverse climatic events

When more is known about the actual extent of drought and hail damages in 2009, the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development will, if necessary, seek from the Government the

**Sector(s) concerned:** All crop-producing sectors

**Name and address of the granting authority:**

Földművelésügyi és Vidékfejlesztési Minisztérium  
Budapest  
Kossuth Lajos tér 11.  
1055  
MAGYARORSZÁG/HUNGARY

**Website:**

<http://www.parlament.hu/irom38/09981/09981.pdf>

**Other information:** —

**Aid No:** XA 195/09

**Member State:** Italy

**Region:** Liguria

**Title of aid scheme or name of company receiving individual aid:** Aiuti per interventi di recupero e di mantenimento dell'attività agricola all'interno del territorio del Parco Nazionale delle Cinque Terre — parte «produzione agricola primaria».

**Legal basis:** Articoli 2, comma 1 lettere a) e b) della Legge regionale 9 aprile 2009 n. 8 «Norme per la protezione dell'ambiente e del paesaggio attraverso la salvaguardia dell'attività agricola nel territorio delle Cinque Terre.».

**Annual expenditure planned under the scheme or overall amount of individual aid granted to the company:** The total budget allocation for 2009 under the legal basis is EUR 100 000

**Maximum aid intensity:**

The aid for investments or capital works intended to conserve the heritage features of productive assets on farms (Article 2(1)(a)) is granted up to a maximum of 75 % of the eligible expenditure in less-favoured areas within the meaning of Article 50 of Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005 and 60 % of the eligible expenditure in areas other than less-favoured areas, provided that the investment does not increase the productive capacity of the holding.

The aid for investment in agricultural holdings (Article 2(1)(b)) is granted as follows:

- (a) 60 % of the eligible expenditure for holdings located in less-favoured areas within the meaning of Article 50 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and operated by young farmers

within the meaning of Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005;

- (b) 50 % of the eligible expenditure for holdings located in areas other than less-favoured areas within the meaning of Article 50 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and operated by young farmers within the meaning of Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 or holdings located in less-favoured areas and operated by farmers other than those referred to in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005;

- (c) 40 % of the eligible expenditure for holdings located in areas other than less-favoured areas within the meaning of Article 50 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 and operated by farmers other than those referred to in Article 22 of Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005

**Date of implementation:** With effect from 2009 and, in any case, from the date of publication of the registration number of the request for exemption on the website of the Commission's Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development

**Duration of scheme or individual aid award:** Until 30 June 2014, pursuant to Article 23 of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006 and Articles 44 and 45 of Regulation (EC) No 800/2008

**Objective of aid:**

To support action to regenerate and maintain agricultural activity within the Cinque Terre National Park through the following activities:

- aid for investments or capital works intended to conserve the heritage features of productive assets on farms (Article 5(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006),
- investment in agricultural holdings (Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1857/2006)

**Sector(s) concerned:** Agriculture

**Name and address of the granting authority:**

Regione Liguria — Dipartimento Agricoltura, protezione civile e turismo  
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16121 Genova GE  
ITALIA

**Website:**

[http://www.agriligurianet.it/AgriNet/DTS\\_GENERALE/20090507/LEGG8.pdf](http://www.agriligurianet.it/AgriNet/DTS_GENERALE/20090507/LEGG8.pdf)

**Other information:** —