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(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2018/316**of 2 March 2018****fixing the import duties in the cereals sector applicable from 3 March 2018**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 183 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 1(1) of Commission Regulation (EU) No 642/2010 ⁽²⁾ states that the import duty on products covered by CN codes 1001 11 00, 1001 19 00, ex 1001 91 20 (common wheat seed), ex 1001 99 00 (high quality common wheat other than for sowing), 1002 10 00, 1002 90 00, 1005 10 90, 1005 90 00, 1007 10 90 and 1007 90 00 is to be equal to the intervention price valid for such products on importation, increased by 55 %, minus the CIF import price applicable to the consignment in question. However, that duty may not exceed the rate of duty in the Common Customs Tariff.
- (2) Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010 lays down that, for the purposes of calculating the import duty referred to in paragraph 1 of that Article, representative CIF import prices are to be established on a regular basis for the products referred to in that paragraph.
- (3) Under Article 2(1) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010, the import price to be used for the calculation of the import duty on products referred to in Article 1(1) of that Regulation is the daily CIF representative import price determined as specified in Article 5 of that Regulation.
- (4) From 21 September 2017 the import duty on products originating in Canada covered by CN codes 1001 11 00, 1001 19 00, ex 1001 99 00 (high quality common wheat other than for sowing), 1002 10 00 and 1002 90 00 is to be calculated in accordance with Article 2(5) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010.
- (5) Import duties should be fixed for the period from 3 March 2018 and should apply until new import duties are fixed and enter into force.
- (6) Under Article 2(2) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010, this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EU) No 642/2010 of 20 July 2010 on rules of application (cereal sector import duties) for Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 187, 21.7.2010, p. 5).

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

From 3 March 2018, the import duties in the cereals sector referred to in Article 1(1) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010 shall be those fixed in Annex I to this Regulation on the basis of the information contained in Annex II.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of 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, 2 March 2018.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,*

Jerzy PLEWA

Director-General

Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development

ANNEX I

<i>Import duties on the products referred to in Article 1(1) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010 applicable from 3 March 2018</i>		
CN code	Description	Import duties ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ (EUR/tonne)
1001 11 00	Durum wheat seed	0,00
1001 19 00	High quality durum wheat, other than for sowing	0,00
	Medium quality, other than for sowing	0,00
	Low quality, other than for sowing	0,00
ex 1001 91 20	Common wheat seed	0,00
ex 1001 99 00	High quality common wheat, other than for sowing	0,00
1002 10 00	Rye seed	0,00
1002 90 00	Rye, other than for sowing	0,00
1005 10 90	Maize seed, other than hybrid	0,00
1005 90 00	Maize, other than for sowing ⁽³⁾	0,00
1007 10 90	Grain sorghum, other than hybrids for sowing	0,00
1007 90 00	Grain sorghum, other than for sowing	0,00

⁽¹⁾ The importer may benefit, under Article 2(4) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010, from a reduction in the duty of:

- EUR 3/tonne, where the port of unloading is located on the Mediterranean Sea (beyond the Strait of Gibraltar) or on the Black Sea, for goods arriving in the Union via the Atlantic Ocean or the Suez Canal,
- EUR 2/tonne, where the port of unloading is located in Denmark, Estonia, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Finland, Sweden, the United Kingdom or on the Atlantic coast of the Iberian Peninsula, for goods arriving in the Union via the Atlantic Ocean.

⁽²⁾ For products originating in Canada covered by CN codes 1001 11 00, 1001 19 00, ex 1001 99 00 (high quality common wheat other than for sowing), 1002 10 00 and 1002 90 00, the duty is calculated in accordance with Article 2(5) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010.

⁽³⁾ The importer may benefit from a flat-rate reduction of EUR 24/tonne where the conditions laid down in Article 3 of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010 are met.

ANNEX II

FACTORS FOR CALCULATING THE DUTIES LAID DOWN IN ANNEX I

1. Averages over the reference period referred to in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010:

	(EUR/tonne)	
	Common wheat ⁽¹⁾	Maize
Exchange	Minneapolis	Chicago
Quotation	194,602	118,235
Gulf of Mexico premium	84,909	21,861
Great Lakes premium	—	—

⁽¹⁾ Premium of EUR 14/t incorporated (Article 5(3) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010).

2. Averages over the reference period referred to in Article 2(2) of Regulation (EU) No 642/2010:

Freight costs: Gulf of Mexico-Rotterdam:	17,619 EUR/t
Freight costs: Great Lakes-Rotterdam:	— EUR/tonne