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Order extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the Inter-branch Association of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Industry (INTERFEL) and relating to the size classification of apricots for the 2014 – 2016 campaigns

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2. Member State

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Apricots produced in France

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The Order extends an agreement intended to improve the quality of apricots produced in France.

The agreement aims to impose a minimum size for apricots destined for consumption, both in France and on external markets. It sets this minimum size at 35 mm (measured as the maximum diameter of the equatorial section) and limits size differences within the same package to 5 mm.

The agreement does not apply to apricots destined for industrial processing or apricots presented for sale, sold, or destined for sale, in a single package of over 2 kg labelled 'apricots for preserves'.

Keyword: apricot-size-consumption

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Under this Order, the rules set out in the inter-branch agreement will become compulsory on French territory. The establishment of a minimum size for apricots ensures sufficient development of the fruit and guarantees the satisfactory maturity of fruit placed on the market. The sizing method also ensures greater homogeneity for fruit offered for sale to the consumer.

This agreement, signed on 30 October 2013 for a three-year period, is in continuation of the previous three-year agreement of 12 October 2010, which was also extended by Order for the previous marketing campaigns. The last Order was published on 24 June 2013, for the 2013 marketing campaign, following notification 2013/089/F.

This notification relates to rules which, concerning the three-year agreement, will not change over the next three years. It is therefore valid for 2014, 2015 and 2016. The extension Order covers the period 1 January 2014 to 30 October 2016, the expiry date of the date of the inter-branch agreement, at the request of the inter-branch and according to the provisions laid down in point 1 of Article 164 of Regulation (EU) 1308/2013.



10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References to basic texts: - 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 (Article 164 §4).

- Inter-branch agreement 'Apricots-sizing' signed 30 October 2013.

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS aspect

No - the draft has no significant impact on international trade.

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