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No abre el plazo - Nezhajuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata -



Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora -
Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidējimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien
- Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud -
Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He ce предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele
de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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5. Title

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consumer directly,

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6. Products Concerned

Meat products in the poultry sector, in the context of, on the one hand, the direct supply thereof in small quantities to the end consumer or a retail establishment supplying the end consumer directly, and, on the other hand, for trade.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

Main content:

The amendments introduced to the previously notified draft Order are included in the document enclosed herewith, by way of correction.

They are aimed at:

- 1) enabling non-accredited slaughterhouses solely to remove goose and duck liver, leading to the separate sale of liver and of entire, non-eviscerated carcasses from which the liver has been removed;
- 2) enabling accredited and non-accredited slaughterhouses to eviscerate carcasses or, where authorised, solely to remove the liver from geese and ducks 'cold', that is to say, to remove the liver or eviscerate the carcass of geese and ducks following the prior refrigeration of whole carcasses. The objective, therefore, is to allow for different methods of evisceration. This possibility is already offered in accredited slaughterhouses on farms (evisceration in cutting premises in the 24 hours after slaughter). The current wording only authorises evisceration in the extension of slaughter operations (stunning, bleeding and plucking).
- 3) enabling operators of non-accredited slaughterhouses to benefit from a derogation, based on the individual authorisation of the local authority, from the geographical restriction of 80km for the sale of only stabilised products (conserves etc) and on the twofold condition that:
 - a. the sale takes place during annual or biennial shows; and
 - b. the breeder is physically present at the place of sale.

Furthermore, it is proposed to amend Section I(3a) of the draft Order in order to derogate from opening the box during the slaughter of lagomorphs. This amendment renews the provisions of Article 21 of the Order of 19 November 1993 laying down health conditions for the production and placing on the market of fresh rabbit meat and farmed rodent game.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Brief justification

The draft Order relaxes certain provisions in order to take account of certain widespread practices in France, as permitted by existing national law.

The practices requiring the prior agreement of the other Member States, as they are derogated from certain



provisions of Regulation 853/2004, shall be notified to the Commission within the framework of the procedure laid down in Article 10 of Regulation 853/2004 for traditional methods. They shall nevertheless be forwarded in advance to the AFSSA for assessment.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

a) Regulations (EC) Nos 852/2004 and 853/2004.

b) Order laying down health regulations applicable to products of animal origin and foodstuffs containing said products, notified on 15/02/07. This is forwarded with the proposed amendments delivered as 'follow-up of amendments'.

c) not affected

d) 2007/085/F

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

NO

12 not affected

13. Confidentiality

NO

14. Fiscal measures

NO

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

NO

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS aspect

NO.

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