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## Order extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the framework of the Inter-branch Association of the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Industry (INTERFEL) and relating to the grading of cucumbers for the 2017–2019 marketing years

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#### **4. Notification Number**

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#### **5. Title**

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#### **6. Products Concerned**

Cucumbers 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 cucumbers in France.

The agreement establishes a grading scale by weight, aimed at improving quality and ensuring fair competition in transactions for cucumbers sold in Class 'Extra' and Class I. It limits the differences in size in the same package to 10 %.

The agreement does not apply to cucumbers intended for industrial processing or gherkins.

#### **9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

Under this Order, the rules set out in the inter-branch agreement will become compulsory on French territory. The grading method ensures greater homogeneity of cucumbers offered for sale to the consumer.

This agreement was signed on 24 May 2016 for a period of three years from 1 January 2017.

This notification relates to rules which, concerning the three-year agreement, will not change over the next three years. It is therefore valid for 2017, 2018 and 2019. The extension Order covers the period from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2019, the expiry date of the inter-branch agreement, at the request of the inter-branch association and according to the provisions laid down in Article 164 of Regulation (EU) 1308/2013.

It is a quality initiative concerning the sector of fresh fruit and vegetables produced in France. The inter-branch association considers that the agreement contributes to improving the quality of cucumbers by laying down the provisions of the UNECE Standard.

#### **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

Reference(s) to basic text(s): - 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;  
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 of 7 June 2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007;  
- Inter-branch agreement.

**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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