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## **Draft 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 shallots for the 2019 – 2021 marketing years**

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### Message

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

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#### **5. Title**

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

Shallots produced in France.

#### **7. Notification Under Another Act**

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#### **8. Main Content**

The purpose of the agreement is to limit the size of shallots intended for consumption both in France and in external markets. It sets the size of shallots at 55 mm and does not apply to those intended for processing.

This order is intended to make the rules set out in the inter-branch agreement compulsory on French territory. The aim of limiting the size of shallots is to avoid the marketing to consumers of large shallots, which keep for a shorter period and develop diseases and rot more quickly.

This agreement signed on 16 May 2018 is stipulated for three years, from 1 January 2019 until 31 December 2021.

This notification relates to rules which, concerning the three-year agreement, will not change from now to the 2021 marketing year. It is therefore valid for 2019, 2020 and 2021.

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

The inter-branch association believes that the inter-branch agreement helps to improve the quality of shallots produced in France through the marketing of small shallots, which keep and taste better than large ones. Shallots which are too large risk developing health problems. Effectively, an overly-large bulb prevents the neck from sealing properly, thereby potentially giving rise to disease and considerably reducing storage time. This agreement has therefore made it possible to optimise the shallots released to the market and draw the consumer's attention to the product.

#### **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;



- Inter-branch agreement 'Shallot size', signed on 16 May 2018.

**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**

The inter-branch association believes that the inter-branch agreement helps to prevent the placing on the market of poor-quality products, to maintain consumer interest in this product and to increase the value of French shallots on export markets.

**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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