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Decree 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 - 2013 season

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Message 002

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No abre el plazo - Nezahajuje 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 - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késéseket - Ma' jiftaħx il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termiinbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud -Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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4. Notification Number

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5. Title

Decree 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 – 2013 season

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 seeks 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 5mm. The agreement is not applicable to apricots destined for industrial processing or those presented for sale, sold, or destined for sale, in a single package of over 2 kg labelled 'apricots for preserves'.

Keywords: 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.

The agreement was extended over the year 2012 by a Decree of 2 July 2012, which was subsequently notified in accordance with Directive 98/34 under number 2012/139F.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

Reference(s) to basic text(s): - Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Article 125 terdecies point 3. a) iv)

- The inter-branch 'Apricots - Sizing' agreement of 12 October 2010

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11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure No
12. Grounds for the Emergency
13. Confidentiality No
14. Fiscal measures No
15. Impact assessment -
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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