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# Draft Order of the Ministry of Rural Environment of the Autonomous Community of Galicia approving the Technical Instruction for the organic production of rabbits.

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# Message

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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 termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Não inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Мääräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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### 1. Structured Information Line

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#### 4. Notification Number

2018/0219/E - C00A

#### 5. Title

Draft Order of the Ministry of Rural Environment of the Autonomous Community of Galicia approving the Technical Instruction for the organic production of rabbits.

#### 6. Products Concerned

Rabbit meat obtained using organic production methods.

# 7. Notification Under Another Act

# 8. Main Content

This standard governs the various aspects related to the organic production of rabbits, specifically those such as the origin of the animals, the husbandry thereof, minimum housing requirements, feeding, health inspections, the transport of the animals and the identification thereof. The requirements of this standard shall not apply to organic products produced in other Member States in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 834/2007.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Rabbit farming falls within the scope of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 of 28 June 2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products. However, Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 of 5 September 2008 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, set out specific rules for the organic management and husbandry of certain livestock, excluding rabbits. Article 42 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 states that where the detailed production rules are not laid down for certain animal species, as is the case for rabbits, the rules provided for labelling in Article 23 and for the controls in Title V shall apply; pending the inclusion of detailed production rules, national rules or, in the absence thereof, private standards accepted or recognised by the Member States shall apply. On the basis of this provision, some EU Member States and Spanish autonomous communities have approved specific rules for the organic production of rabbits.

The lack of specific rules for organic rabbit farming in Galicia is a factor that limits this activity's development. The fast-paced development of organic production and the Galician rabbit sector means that Galician standards need to be drawn up so that farmers wishing to produce in accordance with a scheme involving higher levels of

animal welfare and a lower environmental impact can do so. Farmers may also take advantage of the major trade opportunity that these products now offer.

These standards will act as a bridge until the specific rules for rabbit farming are approved and enter into force. Said rules are expected to form part of the future European organic production regulation that is currently being drawn up.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Tex	cts
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No basic text(s) available

# 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.

No - the draft is neither a sanitary nor phytosanitary measure.

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