Notification Number: 2018/53/F

Order amending the Order of 5 September 2003 laying down the compulsory implementation of standards

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Message

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 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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4. Notification Number

2018/0053/F - C00A

5. Title

Order amending the Order of 5 September 2003 laying down the compulsory implementation of standards

6. Products Concerned

The following fertilising substances: basic mineral and organic soil conditioners - fertilisers

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

This inter-ministerial order is intended to make the application of three standards compulsory. This measure is a derogation from the marketing authorisation referred to in Article L225-2 of the French Rural Code and Sea Fisheries Code and set out in Article L225-5.

- NF U 44-001 – Basic mineral soil conditioners – Designations and specifications.

This standard sets out the designations, specifications and marking of basic soil conditioners. It is compliant with the regulatory framework laid down by the regulations in force. It is aimed in particular at producers, users and official inspection bodies. This standard replaces the 2009 standard.

The update relates to:

- Updating Annex C: contents of trace element content of Basic Soil Conditioners with analyses from the 2001-2010 period
- Introducing the option to declare the Calcium and Magnesium content in Basic Soil Conditioners in elemental form Ca and Mg.
- For mixed basic soil conditioners, removal of the 15 % minimum for oxides, but obligatory declaration of calcium and magnesium content in the various chemical forms present (oxide, hydroxide, carbonate)
- Amending the definition of Neutralising Value and introducing the option to declare the Neutralising Value in its HO- equivalent
- Introducing citric reactivity and the declaration option
- Introducing a maximum of 5 % organic matter in specifications for all basic mineral soil conditioners, with a combustion method at 450 °C (15 % for sugar lime)
- Introducing the option to declare the effective Neutralising Value through incubation
- Replacing hardness with tenderness
- Introducing a presentation qualifier in addition to the fineness qualifier
- Introducing 3 points for the fineness declaration (97 %, 80 % and 50 %)
- Harmonising fineness criteria and types for steel-based basic soil conditioners
- Modifying the maximum thresholds for Cadmium in quicklime, for Arsenic and Molybdenum in the 61 foams and for Cr in slag conversion steelworks.
- NF U 44-295. Organic soil conditioner Fertiliser. Compost containing matter of agronomic interest derived from water treatment with a P2O5 content greater than or equal to 3 %

The purpose of this standard is to set out the designations and specifications for compost containing matter of

agronomic interest derived from water treatment with a P2O5 content greater than or equal to 3 %. It reproduces the requirements which have been in force since 2014 under standard NF U 44-095, which deals with compost containing matter of agronomic interest derived from water treatment but in which N < 3 % on crude product, P2O5 < 3% on crude product, P2O5 < 3% on crude product.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

For public health reasons, the standards relating to fertilising substances (fertilisers, basic organic or mineral soil conditioners) and growth media shall be made compulsory. Standards NF U 44-001 and NF U 44-295 must therefore be made compulsory.

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The basic texts were forwarded with an earlier notification: 2004/014/F

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure							
No							

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

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16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

Yes

SPS aspect

Yes

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