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Order extending an inter-branch agreement concluded within the framework of the National Inter-Branch Potato Committee (Comité National Interprofessionnel de la Pomme de Terre, CNIPT) and concerning the maximum commercial size in the warehouse potato industry – seasons 2010-2011 and 2011-2012

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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 késések - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - He ce предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

Warehouse potatoes.

7. Notification Under Another Act

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8. Main Content

The draft order extends an agreement that aims to improve the quality of warehouse potatoes produced in France throughout the selling season for French and foreign markets. The agreement sets the maximum size of warehouse potatoes at 75 mm.

Keywords: potatoes – minimum weight – size – quality – selling - standardisation

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This order serves to enforce the rules defined in the inter-branch agreement in France. This order will ensure greater uniformity of the warehouse potatoes sold. This provision is justified for quality purposes: potatoes of size greater than 75 mm are extremely sensitive to bruising caused by falling during harvesting, sorting and packaging. Large potatoes are frequently affected by holes that often lead to rot, deformities and crevices that cannot be detected when sorting.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

- article L632-3 of the Rural Code
- Inter-branch agreement of 23 June 2009 on the definition of a maximum size for warehouse potatoes

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

This is a quality method that concerns the potato industry. The inter-branch organisation believes that its inter-branch agreement contributes to the removal of poor quality potatoes: when observed, the probability of finding potatoes with significant quality defects is higher when the size is greater than 75 mm.

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT relevance

- a) NO
- b) The project has no significant impact on international trade.

SPS relevance

- a) NO
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