

Council Directive of 14 June 1966 on the  
marketing of fodder plant seed (66/401/EEC)

*[<sup>F1</sup>Article 15*

- 1 The Member States shall provide that fodder plant seed
- which has been produced directly from basic seed or certified seed officially certified either in one or more Member States or in a third country which has been granted equivalence under Article 16 (1) (b), or which has been produced directly from the crossing of basic seed officially certified in a Member State with basic seed officially certified in such a third country, and
  - which has been harvested in another Member State,

shall, on request and without prejudice to the provisions of Directive 70/457/EEC, be officially certified as certified seed in any Member State if that seed has undergone field inspection satisfying the conditions laid down in Annex I for the relevant category and if official examination has shown that the conditions laid down in Annex II for the same category are satisfied.

Where in such cases the seed has been produced directly from officially certified seed of generations prior to basic seed, Member States may also authorize official certification as basic seed, if the conditions laid down for that category are satisfied.

*[<sup>F22</sup>* Fodder plant seed which has been harvested in the Community and which is intended for certification in accordance with paragraph 1 shall:

- be packed and labelled with an official label satisfying the conditions laid down in Annex V(A) and (B), in accordance with Article 9(1); and
- be accompanied by an official document satisfying the conditions laid down in Annex V(C).

The provisions in the first subparagraph on packing and labelling may be waived if the authorities responsible for field inspection, those drawing up the documents for the certification of seeds which have not been definitively certified and those responsible for certification are the same, or if they agree on exemption’.

clearly indicate that the variety has been genetically modified.]

*[<sup>F33</sup>* The Member States shall also provide that fodder plant seed harvested in a third country shall, on request, be officially certified if:

- a it has been produced directly from:
  - (i) basic seed or certified seed officially certified either in one or more Member States or in a third country which has been granted equivalence under Article 16(1)(b);
  - or
  - (ii) the crossing of basic seed officially certified in a Member State with basic seed officially certified in a third country referred to in (i);
- b it has undergone field inspection satisfying the conditions laid down in an equivalence decision made under Article 16(1)(a) for the relevant category;
- c official examination has shown that the conditions laid down in Annex II for the same category are satisfied.]]

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### Textual Amendments

- F1** Inserted by Council Directive of 13 June 1988 amending Directives 66/400/EEC, 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 66/403/EEC, 69/208/EEC, 70/457/EEC and 70/458/EEC on the marketing of beet seed, fodder plant seed, cereal seed, seed potatoes, seed of oil and fibre plants and vegetable seed and on the common catalogue of varieties of agricultural plant species (88/380/EEC).
- F2** Substituted by Council Directive 98/95/EC of 14 December 1998 amending, in respect of the consolidation of the internal market, genetically modified plant varieties and plant genetic resources, Directives 66/400/EEC, 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 66/403/EEC, 69/208/EEC, 70/457/EEC and 70/458/EEC on the marketing of beet seed, fodder plant seed, cereal seed, seed potatoes, seed of oil and fibre plants and vegetable seed and on the common catalogue of varieties of agricultural plant species.
- F3** Substituted by Council Directive 2004/117/EC of 22 December 2004 amending Directives 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 2002/54/EC, 2002/55/EC and 2002/57/EC as regards examinations carried out under official supervision and equivalence of seed produced in third countries.