

Council Directive of 21 December 1988 on the approximation  
of the laws of the Member States relating to quick-  
frozen foodstuffs for human consumption (89/108/EEC)

*Article 4*

The cryogenic media authorized, to the exclusion of all others, for use in direct contact with quick-frozen foodstuffs shall be the following:

- air,
- nitrogen,
- carbon dioxide.

By way of derogation from the first paragraph, Member States may retain until 31 December 1992 national laws authorizing the use of dichlorodifluoromethane (R 12) as a cryogenic medium.

[<sup>F1</sup>The purity criteria to be satisfied by those cryogenic media shall be determined, as far as necessary, by the Commission. Those measures, designed to amend non-essential elements of this Directive by supplementing it, shall be adopted in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 12(2).]

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Substituted by [Regulation \(EC\) No 1137/2008](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 October 2008 adapting a number of instruments subject to the procedure laid down in Article 251 of the Treaty to Council Decision 1999/468/EC, with regard to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny Adaptation to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny — Part One.