

Commission Directive 96/77/EC of 2 December 1996 laying down specific purity criteria on food additives other than colours and sweeteners (Text with EEA relevance) (repealed)

Article 1

The purity criteria referred to in Article 3 (3) (a) of Directive 89/107/EEC for food additives other than colours and sweeteners, as mentioned in Directive 95/2/EC, are set out in the Annex hereto.

[^{F1}Article 2

The purity criteria referred to in Article 1 replace the purity criteria set out in Directives 65/66/EEC, 78/663/EEC and 78/664/EEC.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Commission Directive 98/86/EC of 11 November 1998 amending Commission Directive 96/77/EC laying down specific purity criteria on food additives other than colours and sweeteners \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

Article 3

1 Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive before 1 July 1997. They shall immediately inform the Commission thereof.

When Member States adopt these provisions, these shall contain a reference to this Directive or shall be accompanied by such reference at the time of their official publication. The procedure for such reference shall be adopted by Member States.

2 Products put on the market or labelled before 1 July 1997 which do not comply with this Directive may be marketed until stocks are exhausted.

Article 4

This Directive shall enter into force on the 20th day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Article 5

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.