

## Council Directive 2002/54/EC of 13 June 2002 on the marketing of beet seed

### Article 22

- 1 Member States shall provide that beet seed
- which has been produced directly from basic seed officially certified in one or more Member States or in a third country which has been granted equivalence under Article 23(1)(b), and
  - which has been harvested in another Member State,

shall, on request and without prejudice to the provisions of Directive 2002/53/EC, 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, part A, for the relevant category and if official examination has shown that the conditions laid down in Annex I, part B, 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 authorise official certification as basic seed, of the conditions laid down for that category are satisfied.

- 2 Beet 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 IV(A) and (B), in accordance with Article 11(1), and
  - be accompanied by an official document satisfying the conditions laid down in Annex IV(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.

[<sup>F13</sup> The Member States shall also provide that beet seed harvested in a third country shall, on request, be officially certified if:

- a it has been produced directly from basic seed officially certified in one or more Member States or in a third country which has been granted equivalence under Article 23(1)(b);
- b it has undergone field inspection satisfying the conditions laid down in an equivalence decision made under Article 23(1)(a) for the relevant category;
- c official examination has shown that the conditions laid down in Annex I, part B for the same category are satisfied.]

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#### Textual Amendments

- F1** 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.](#)