

Commission Directive 2008/62/EC of 20 June 2008 providing for certain derogations for acceptance of agricultural landraces and varieties which are naturally adapted to the local and regional conditions and threatened by genetic erosion and for marketing of seed and seed potatoes of those landraces and varieties (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER III

SEED PRODUCTION AND MARKETING

Article 11

Region of seed production

1 Member States shall ensure that seed of a conservation variety may only be produced in the region of origin.

If the conditions for certification provided for in Article 10(3) cannot be fulfilled in that region, due to a specific environmental problem, Member States may approve additional regions for seed production taking into account information from plant genetic resource authorities or from organisations recognised for this purpose by the Member States. However, seed produced in those additional regions may be used exclusively in the regions of origin.

2 Member States shall notify to the Commission and to the other Member States the additional regions which they intend to approve for seed production pursuant to paragraph 1.

The Commission and the other Member States may, within 20 working days from receipt of those notifications, request the matter to be referred to the Standing Committee on Seeds and Propagating Material for Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry. A decision shall be taken in accordance with Article 22a(1)(b) of Directive 66/401/EEC, Article 22a(1)(b) of Directive 66/402/EEC, Article 4(6), Article 20(2) and Article 21 of Directive 2002/53/EC, Article 30(1)(b) of Directive 2002/54/EC, Article 10(1) and Article 27(1)(b) of Directive 2002/56/EC and Article 27(1)(b) of Directive 2002/57/EC, as appropriate, to lay down, if necessary, restrictions or conditions for the designation of such regions.

If neither the Commission nor other Member States make a request under the second subparagraph, the Member State in question may approve the additional regions for seed production as notified.