

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2930/81
of 12 October 1981
adopting additional provisions for the application of the Community scale for
the classification of carcasses of adult bovine animals

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68
of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the
market in beef and veal ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by the Act
of Accession of Greece,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
1208/81 of 28 April 1981 determining the Commu-
nity scale for the classification of carcasses of adult
bovine animals ⁽²⁾, and in particular the first paragraph
of Article 6 thereof,

Whereas, in order to ensure the uniform classification
of the carcasses of adult bovine animals in the Commu-
nity, it is necessary to make the definitions of confor-
mation classes and fat classes more precise ;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation
are in accordance with the opinion of the Management
Committee for Beef and Veal,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

Article 1

The additional provisions referred to in the first sub-
paragraph of Article 6 of Regulation (EEC) No
1208/81 shall be as listed in the Annex to this
Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its
publication in the *Official Journal of the European
Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member
States.

Done at Brussels, 12 October 1981.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 123, 7. 5. 1981, p. 3.

ANNEX

1. CONFORMATION

Development of carcase profiles, in particular the essential parts (round, back, shoulder)

Conformation class	Additional provisions	
E excellent	<i>Round:</i> very rounded <i>Back:</i> wide and very thick, up to the shoulder <i>Shoulder:</i> very rounded	Topside spreads markedly over the symphysis (symphysis pelvis) Rump very rounded
U very good	<i>Round:</i> rounded <i>Back:</i> wide and thick, up to the shoulder <i>Shoulder:</i> rounded	Topside spreads over the symphysis (symphysis pelvis) Rump rounded
R good	<i>Round:</i> well-developed <i>Back:</i> still thick but less wide at the shoulder <i>Shoulder:</i> fairly well-developed	Topside and rump are slightly rounded
O fair	<i>Round:</i> average development to lacking development <i>Back:</i> average thickness to lacking thickness <i>Shoulder:</i> average development to almost flat	Rump: straight profile
P poor	<i>Round:</i> poorly developed <i>Back:</i> narrow with bones visible <i>Shoulder:</i> flat with bones visible	

2. DEGREE OF FAT COVER

Amount of fat on the outside of the carcase and in the thoracic cavity

Class of fat cover	Additional provisions
1 low	No fat within the thoracic cavity
2 slight	Within the thoracic cavity the muscle is clearly visible between the ribs
3 average	Within the thoracic cavity the muscle is still visible between the ribs
4 high	The seams of fat on the round are prominent. Within the thoracic cavity the muscle between the ribs may be infiltrated with fat
5 very high	The round is almost completely covered with fat, so that the seams of fat are no longer clearly visible. Within the thoracic cavity the muscle between the ribs is infiltrated with fat