

ANNEX I

METHODS TO BE FOLLOWED FOR PHYSICAL CHECKS

2. Piece products
 - 2.1. Where an exporter has declared products packaged using automatic systems for bagging, canning, bottling, etc., and calibrated automatic weighing/measuring equipment, or put up in packaging or bottles within the meaning of Council Directives 75/106/EEC⁽¹⁾, 75/107/EEC⁽²⁾ and 76/211/EEC⁽³⁾, the total number of bags, cans, bottles, etc., shall in principle be counted and the nature and characteristics of the products shall be checked on the basis of a representative selection made by the customs office of export. The weight or volume shall be determined by calibrated automatic weighing/measuring or by the packaging or bottles, within the meaning of the above Directives. The customs office of export may weigh or measure one bag, can or bottle.
 - 2.2. If the equipment has a calibrated automatic counter, the records of the automatic counter may be taken into account for the physical check on quantity. Point 1.1 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.
 - 2.3. Where an exporter uses pallets loaded with cartons, cans, etc., the customs office of export shall select representative pallets and check whether the number of cartons, cans, etc. declared is present. It shall select from these pallets a number of representative cartons, cans etc., and check whether the number of bottles, units, etc., is present.
 - 2.4. Where the exporter does not use facilities as referred to in points 2.1 and 2.2, the customs office of export shall count the number of bags, cans, etc. The nature, characteristics and weight/volume shall be checked on the basis of a representative selection. Point 2.3 shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.
 - 2.5. Where in the case of points 2.1 and 2.2 the contents and exact weight are indicated on the immediate packaging of the products, that information shall be verified only in 50 % of physical checks if the products are packed in containers or packs intended for wholesale, and the products are exported regularly by the same exporter and no non-conformities having financial consequences greater than EUR 1 000 have been found during the previous six months.

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- (1) OJ L 42, 15.2.1975, p. 1.
- (2) OJ L 42, 15.2.1975, p. 14.
- (3) OJ L 46, 21.2.1976, p. 1.