

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 of 7 June 2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 in respect of the fruit and vegetables and processed fruit and vegetables sectors

TITLE III

**PRODUCER ORGANISATIONS**

*CHAPTER II*

*Operational funds and operational programmes*

*Section 3*

***Operational Programmes***

*Article 59*

**Contents of operational programmes**

Operational programmes shall include the following:

- (a) a description of the initial situation, based, where relevant, on the common baseline indicators listed in Annex VIII;
- (b) the objectives of the programme, taking into consideration the outlook for production and outlets, and an explanation of how the programme contributes to the national strategy and confirmation that it is consistent with the national strategy, including in its balance between activities. The description of the objectives shall refer to objectives defined in the national strategy and indicate measurable targets, so as to facilitate the monitoring of progress gradually made in implementing the programme;
- (c) a detailed description of the measures, including those for crisis prevention and management, containing separate actions, to be taken and the means for attaining those objectives in each year of implementation of the programme. The description shall indicate the extent to which the different measures proposed:
  - (i) complement and are consistent with other measures, including measures financed or eligible for support by other Union funds, and in particular rural development support. In this respect, a specific reference shall also be made, if appropriate, to measures carried out under previous operational programmes;
  - (ii) do not entail any risk of double financing by Union funds;
- (d) the duration of the programme; and
- (e) the financial aspects, namely:
  - (i) the method of calculation and the level of financial contributions;

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- (ii) the procedure for financing the operational fund;
- (iii) information necessary to justify different levels of contribution; and
- (iv) the budget and timetable for undertaking operations for each year of implementation of the programme.