

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1373/2013 of
19 December 2013 laying down detailed rules for implementing
the system of export licences in the pigmeat sector (codification)

Article 3

1 Applications for export licences may be lodged with the competent authorities from Monday to Friday of each week.

2 Applicants for export licences shall be natural or legal persons who, at the time the applications are submitted, are able to prove to the satisfaction of the competent authorities in the Member States that they have been engaged in trade in the pigmeat sector for at least 12 months. However, retail establishments or restaurants selling their products to end consumers may not lodge applications.

3 Export licences shall be issued on the Wednesday following the period referred to in paragraph 1, provided that none of the special measures referred to in paragraph 4 have since been taken by the Commission.

4 Where the issue of export licences would or might result in the available budgetary amounts being exceeded or in the maximum quantities which may be exported with a refund being exhausted during the period concerned, in view of the limits referred to in Article 169 of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007, or where the issue of export licences would not allow exports to continue during the remainder of the period, the Commission may:

- a set a single percentage of acceptance for the quantities applied for;
- b reject applications for which licences have not yet been granted;
- c suspend the lodging of licence applications for a maximum period of five working days, extendable by the procedure referred to in Article 195(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007.

In the circumstances referred to in point (c) of the first subparagraph, licence applications made during the suspension period shall be invalid.

The measures provided for in the first subparagraph may be implemented or modulated by category of product and by destination.

5 The measures provided for in paragraph 4 may also be adopted where export licence applications relate to quantities which exceed or might exceed the normal disposable quantities for one destination and issuing the licences requested would entail a risk of speculation, distortion of competition between operators, or disturbance of the trade concerned or the internal market.

6 Where the quantities applied for are rejected or reduced, the security shall be released immediately for all quantities for which an application was not satisfied.

7 Notwithstanding paragraph 3, where a single percentage of acceptance less than 80 % is set, the licence shall be issued at the latest by the 11th working day following publication of that percentage in the *Official Journal of the European Union*. During the 10 working days following its publication, the operator may:

- a either withdraw his application, in which case the security shall be released immediately; or
- b request the immediate issuing of the licence, in which case the competent authority shall issue it without delay but no sooner than the normal issue date for the relevant week.

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8 By way of derogation from paragraph 3, the Commission may set a day other than Wednesday for the issuing of export licences when it is not possible to respect this day.

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