

Regulation (EU) No 251/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91

CHAPTER III

GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS

Article 20

Protection

1 Geographical indications protected under this Regulation may be used by any operator marketing an aromatised wine product which has been produced in conformity with the corresponding product specification.

2 Geographical indications protected under this Regulation and the aromatised wine products using those protected names in conformity with the product specification shall be protected against:

- a any direct or indirect commercial use of a protected name:
 - (i) by comparable products not complying with the product specification of the protected name; or
 - (ii) in so far as such use exploits the reputation of a geographical indication;
- b any misuse, imitation or evocation, even if the true origin of the product or service is indicated or if the protected name is translated, transcribed or transliterated or accompanied by an expression such as ‘style’, ‘type’, ‘method’, ‘as produced in’, ‘imitation’, ‘flavour’, ‘like’ or similar;
- c any other false or misleading indication as to the provenance, origin, nature or essential qualities of the product, on the inner or outer packaging, advertising material or documents relating to the wine product concerned, and the packing of the product in a container liable to convey a false impression as to its origin;
- d any other practice liable to mislead the consumer as to the true origin of the product.

3 Geographical indications protected under this Regulation shall not become generic in the Union within the meaning of Article 18(1).

4 Member States shall take the appropriate administrative and judicial measures to prevent or to stop unlawful use of geographical indications protected under this Regulation as referred to in paragraph 2.

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Regulation (EU) No 251/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

View outstanding changes

Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulation applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2023/959 reg. 4\(a\)Sch. 1](#)
- Art. 20(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(16\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 20(3) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(19\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 20(4) omitted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(16\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 20(4) omitted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(19\)\(b\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Signature words omitted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(33\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Signature words omitted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(37\)](#)
- Art. 2.1.4-2.1.9 inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(3\)\(b\)Sch. 3 Pt. 1](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B Point 3 word substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B Point 4 word substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(b\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B Point 13 word substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(b\)\(iii\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B point (3) word substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(39\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Annex 2 Pt. B point (4) word substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(39\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Annex 2 Pt. B point (13) word substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(39\)\(c\)\(ii\)](#)
- Annex 2 Pt. A Point 5 words omitted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B Point 3 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(b\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B Point 4 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(b\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B Point 13 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(35\)\(b\)\(iii\)\(aa\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Annex 2 Pt. B point (3) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(39\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Annex 2 Pt. B point (4) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(39\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Annex 2 Pt. B point (13) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(39\)\(c\)\(i\)](#)

- Art. 2.2 inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(3\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 2.1 words in Art. 2 renumbered as Art. 2.1 by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 2.1(3a) inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 reg. 5\(2\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 2(4)-(19) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(3\)Sch. 4 Pt. 1](#)
- Art. 2(4a) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 7\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 2(5a) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 7\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2.1(6a)-(6c) inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 reg. 5\(2\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 2.1(8) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/1366 reg. 5\(2\)\(c\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 2.1(8a) inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 reg. 5\(2\)\(d\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 2.1(9) words inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 reg. 5\(2\)\(e\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 2.1(10)(11) inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 reg. 5\(2\)\(f\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 2(17) substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 1 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(a\)](#)
- Annex 2A inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(40\)Sch. 4 Pt. 8](#)
- Annex 2A Pt. C words inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 8 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(d\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Annex 2A Pt. C words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 8 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(d\)\(i\)](#)
- Annex 2A Pt. C words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 8 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(d\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Annex 2A Pt. C words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 8 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(d\)\(iii\)](#)
- Annex 2B inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(40\)Sch. 4 Pt. 8](#)

- Annex 4 inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(36\)Sch. 3 Pt. 6](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 8a inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 Sch. 3 Pt. 1](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 9a inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(8\)Sch. 4 Pt. 2](#)
- Art. 10(2)(f) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(7\)\(a\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 10(2)(f) words omitted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(9\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 10(2)(f) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(7\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 10(2)(f) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(9\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 10(3) inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(7\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 10(3) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(9\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 13a inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(10\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 13a inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(12\)](#)
- Art. 18(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(14\)\(b\)\(i\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 18(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(16\)\(a\)\(ii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 18(1)(b) substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(14\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 18(1)(b) words omitted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(16\)\(a\)\(ii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 18(3) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(16\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 19a19b inserted by [S.I. 2019/1366 Sch. 3 Pt. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S.I. 2020/1366 was made under a procedure whereby it ceases to have effect at the end of the period of 28 days beginning with the day on which it was made unless, during that period, the instrument was approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament. It was not approved by Parliament within that period and so has ceased to have effect.)
- Art. 19a19b inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(18\)Sch. 4 Pt. 3](#)
- Art. 19a(2)(b)(i)(aa) words inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 3 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(b\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 19a(2)(b)(i)(bb) words inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 3 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 19a(11)(a) omitted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2020/1637, Sch. 4 Pt. 3 by [S.I. 2020/1661 reg. 16\(9\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 19c19d inserted by [S.I. 2020/1661 Sch. 3](#)
- Art. 21(1) words in Art. 21 renumbered as Art. 21(1) by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(a\)](#)
- Art. 21(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 21(2)-(10) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(d\)Sch. 4 Pt. 4](#)
- Art. 21(11) words in Art. 21 renumbered as Art. 21(11) by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 21(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(e\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 21(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 21(11) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(e\)\(iii\)](#)

- Art. 21(12)-(14) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(20\)\(f\)](#)
- Art. 23(1)(a) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(19\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 23(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(22\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 23(1)(b) word substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(22\)\(a\)\(iii\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 23(1)(b) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(22\)\(a\)\(iii\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 23(1a) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(22\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 24(3) inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(20\)\(c\)Sch. 3 Pt. 2](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 24(3) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(23\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 25a-25d inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(22\)Sch. 3 Pt. 3](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 25a25b inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(25\)Sch. 4 Pt. 5](#)
- Art. 28(3)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(24\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 28(3)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(28\)\(d\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 28(3)(fa) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(28\)\(d\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 28(3)(ha) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(28\)\(d\)\(iv\)](#)
- Art. 29(1)(d) words omitted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(29\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 29(1)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(25\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 29(1)(d) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(29\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 32(3)(c) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/778 reg. 5\(4\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 5 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 5)
- Art. 32(3)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/778 reg. 5\(4\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 5 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 5)
- Art. 32(3)(c) words substituted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(32\)\(c\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 32(4) inserted by [S.I. 2019/865 reg. 9\(28\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Regs. 2-10 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 6)
- Art. 32(4) inserted by [S.I. 2020/1637 reg. 21\(32\)\(d\)](#)
- Art. 33(5)(6) inserted by [S.I. 2019/778 reg. 5\(5\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 5 omitted immediately before IP completion day by virtue of S.I. 2020/1637, regs. 1(6), 5)