Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 809/2014of 17 July 2014laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the integrated administration and control system, rural development measures and cross compliance

TITLE II

INTEGRATED ADMINISTRATION AND CONTROL SYSTEM

CHAPTER II

Aid applications and payment claims

Section 1

Common provisions

Article 11

Simplification of procedures

- 1. Save as otherwise provided in Regulations (EU) No 1305/2013, (EU) No 1306/2013 and (EU) No 1307/2013, Delegated Regulation (EU) No 640/2014 or this Regulation, [FI Member States] [FI the relevant authority] may permit or require that any kind of communications under this Regulation both from the beneficiary to the authorities and *vice versa* be made by electronic means, provided that this does not cause any discrimination between beneficiaries and that appropriate measures are taken to ensure in particular that:
- (a) the beneficiary is unambiguously identified;
- (b) the beneficiary complies with all requirements under the direct payment scheme or rural development measure concerned;
- (c) the transmitted data is reliable in view of the proper management of the direct payment scheme or rural development measure concerned; where use is made of the data contained in the computerised database for animals as defined in point (9) of the second subparagraph of Article 2(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 640/2014, that database shall offer the level of assurance and implementation necessary for the proper management of the direct payment scheme or rural development measure involved;
- (d) where accompanying documents cannot be transmitted electronically, such documents are received by the competent authorities within the same time limits as for transmission by non-electronic means.
- 2. With regard to the submission of aid applications or payment claims, [F2Member States][F2the relevant authority] may, under the conditions laid down in paragraph 1, provide for simplified procedures where data is already available to the authorities, in particular where the situation has not changed since the latest submission of an aid application or payment claim under the direct payment scheme or rural development measure concerned in accordance with

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Article 72(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013. [F2Member States][F2The relevant authority] may decide to use data derived from data sources at the disposal of [F3national] authorities for the purposes of the aid applications and payment claims. In that case [F4Member State][F4the relevant authority] shall ensure that those data sources offer the level of assurance necessary for the proper management of the data in order to guarantee the reliability, integrity and security of that data.

- 3. Where possible, the competent authority may request the information required in any supporting documents to be submitted together with the aid application or payment claim directly from the source of the information.
- [F54. Where the integrated system provides for the pre-established form and the corresponding graphic material referred to in Article 72(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 through a GIS-based interface, enabling the processing of the spatial and alphanumerical data of the areas declared (hereinafter referred to as 'geo-spatial aid application form'), [*f6Member States][F6the relevant authority] may decide to introduce a system of preliminary cross-checks (hereinafter referred to as 'preliminary checks'), which shall include at least the cross-checks referred to in points (a), (b) and (c) of the first subparagraph of Article 29(1) of this Regulation. The results shall be notified to the beneficiary within a period of 26 calendar days after the final date of submission of the single application, aid application or payment claims referred to in Article 13 of this Regulation. However, where this period of 26 calendar days expires before the final date for notification of amendments in accordance with Article 15(2) of this Regulation, the results shall be notified to the beneficiary at the latest the calendar day following the final date for notification of amendments of the year concerned.

[F6Member States][F6The relevant authority] may decide to carry-out such preliminary checks at regional level, provided that the system using the geo-spatial aid application form is set up at regional level.

Where the beneficiary is a group of persons applying for support for agri-environmentclimate operations as referred to in Article 28 of Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 (hereinafter referred to as 'collective'), the Member State may decide to derogate from the requirement in Article 14 of this Regulation that the payment claim is to contain all information necessary to establish eligibility for the support and from the restriction in Article 13 of this Regulation that all relevant data for the proper administrative and financial management of the support is to be submitted by the final date of submission of the payment claim, by introducing a simplified annual payment claim (hereinafter referred to as 'collective claim') that shall be submitted by a collective.

Articles 2, 3, 4, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 16, 17(1) and (3) to (9), and Articles, 21, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 35, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43 and 45 of this Regulation and Articles 4, 12 and 13 of Regulation (EÚ) No 640/2014 shall apply mutadis mutandis in respect of the particular requirements established in view of the collective claim.

For collectives, Member States shall include a description of the administrative arrangements in the rural development programme.

Textual Amendments

- Words in Art. 11(1) substituted (31.1.2020 in so far as it relates to the Common Agricultural Policy direct payment schemes) by The Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/90), regs. 1(2), 14(10)(a)
- Words in Art. 11(2) substituted (31.1.2020 in so far as it relates to the Common Agricultural Policy direct payment schemes) by The Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/90), regs. 1(2), 14(10)(b)(i)

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- F3 Word in Art. 11(2) omitted (31.1.2020 in so far as it relates to the Common Agricultural Policy direct payment schemes) by virtue of The Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/90), regs. 1(2), 14(10)(b)(ii)
- F4 Words in Art. 11(2) substituted (31.1.2020 in so far as it relates to the Common Agricultural Policy direct payment schemes) by The Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/90), regs. 1(2), 14(10)(b)(iii)
- Inserted by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2333 of 14 December 2015 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 809/2014 laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 1306/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the integrated administration and control system, rural development measures and cross compliance.
- F6 Words in Art. 11(4) substituted (31.1.2020 in so far as it relates to the Common Agricultural Policy direct payment schemes) by The Financing, Management and Monitoring of Direct Payments to Farmers (Amendment) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/90), regs. 1(2), 14(10)(c)

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