

Regulation (EU) 2015/755 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2015 on common rules for imports from certain third countries (recast)

CHAPTER VI

FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 17

1 This Regulation shall not preclude the fulfilment of obligations arising from special rules contained in agreements concluded between the Union and third countries.

2 Without prejudice to other Union provisions, this Regulation shall not preclude the adoption or application by Member States of:

- a prohibitions, quantitative restrictions or surveillance measures on grounds of public morality, public policy or public security, the protection of health and life of humans, animals or plants, the protection of national treasures possessing artistic, historic or archaeological value, or the protection of industrial and commercial property;
- b special formalities concerning foreign exchange;
- c formalities introduced pursuant to international agreements in accordance with the TFEU.

The Member States shall inform the Commission of the measures or formalities to be introduced or amended in accordance with the first subparagraph.

In the event of extreme urgency, the national measures or formalities in question shall be communicated to the Commission immediately upon their adoption.

Article 18

The Commission shall include information on the implementation of this Regulation in its annual report on the application and implementation of trade defence measures presented to the European Parliament and to the Council pursuant to Article 22a of Council Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009⁽¹⁾.

Article 19

1 This Regulation shall be without prejudice to the operation of the instruments establishing the common organisation of agricultural markets or of Union or national administrative provisions derived therefrom or of the specific instruments adopted under Article 352 of the TFEU applicable to goods resulting from the processing of agricultural products. It shall operate by way of complement to those instruments.

2 In the case of products covered by the instruments referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article, Articles 7 to 12 and Article 16 shall not apply to those in respect of which the Union rules on trade with third countries require the production of a licence or other import document.

Articles 13, 15 and 16 shall not apply to those products in respect of which such rules make provision for the application of quantitative import restrictions.

Article 20

The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 21 concerning amendments of Annex I, in order to remove countries from the list of third countries contained in that Annex when they become members of the WTO.

Article 21

1 The power to adopt delegated acts is conferred on the Commission subject to the conditions laid down in this Article.

2 The power to adopt delegated acts referred to in Article 20 shall be conferred on the Commission for a period of five years from 20 February 2014. The Commission shall draw up a report in respect of the delegation of power not later than nine months before the end of the five-year period. The delegation of power shall be tacitly extended for periods of an identical duration, unless the European Parliament or the Council opposes such extension not later than three months before the end of each period.

3 The delegation of power referred to in Article 20 may be revoked at any time by the European Parliament or by the Council. A decision to revoke shall put an end to the delegation of power specified in that decision. It shall take effect on the day following the publication of the decision in the *Official Journal of the European Union* or on a later date specified therein. It shall not affect the validity of any delegated acts already in force.

4 As soon as it adopts a delegated act, the Commission shall notify it simultaneously to the European Parliament and to the Council.

5 A delegated act adopted pursuant to Article 20 shall enter into force only if no objection has been expressed either by the European Parliament or the Council within a period of two months of notification of that act to the European Parliament and the Council or if, before the expiry of that period, the European Parliament and the Council have both informed the Commission that they will not object. That period shall be extended by two months at the initiative of the European Parliament or of the Council.

Article 22

1 The Commission shall be assisted by the Committee on Safeguards established by Regulation (EU) 2015/478 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁽²⁾. That Committee shall be a committee within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011.

2 Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 4 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 shall apply.

3 Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011 shall apply.

4 Where reference is made to this paragraph, Article 8 of Regulation (EU) No 182/2011, in conjunction with Article 5 thereof, shall apply.

Article 23

Regulations (EC) No 427/2003 and (EC) No 625/2009 are repealed.

References to the repealed Regulations shall be construed as references to this Regulation and shall be read in accordance with the correlation table in Annex IV.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Regulation (EU) 2015/755 of the European Parliament and of the Council, CHAPTER VI. (See end of Document for details)

Article 24

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009 of 30 November 2009 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Community ([OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 51](#)).
- (2) Regulation (EU) 2015/478 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2015 on common rules for imports ([OJ L 83, 27.3.2015, p. 16](#)).

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