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Proposal for a  
COUNCIL REGULATION (EC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1906/90 on certain marketing standards for poultry meat.

(presented by the Commission)



## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

### STANDARDS FOR POULTRYMEAT

Poultrymeat is being increasingly marketed in the form of pieces of poultry. Regulation (EEC) No 1906/90 lays down, however, that water content absorbed during preparation is to be checked on carcasses only.

It is consequently proposed to extend these checks to pieces of poultry.

The proposed Regulation in question has no financial implications for the Community budget.

Proposal for a  
**COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 197**

of

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1906/90 on certain marketing standards for poultry meat.

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organisation of the market in poultrymeat<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 2(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1906/90<sup>2</sup> lays down certain marketing standards for poultrymeat;

Whereas poultrymeat is being increasingly marketed in the form of cuts, whereas the checking of the water content should therefore be extended to certain pieces of poultrymeat,

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<sup>1</sup> OJ No L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 77. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2916/95 (OJ No L 305, 19.12.1995, p. 49).

<sup>2</sup> OJ No L 173, 6.7.1990, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 3204/93 (OJ No L 289, 24.11.1993, p. 3).

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

**Article 1**

Article 7(1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1906/90 is hereby replaced by the following:

“Article 7

1. The percentages of water absorption which are technically unavoidable and which shall not be exceeded during the preparation of fresh, frozen and quick-frozen carcasses and cuts thereof shall be determined in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 2777/75, as well as uniform methods of verifying compliance therewith.”

**Article 2**

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

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