

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Proposal for a
COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending for the third time Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 as
regards the extension of the time limits for lodging
applications for conversion premiums in the wine sector

(submitted to the Council by the Commission)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The purpose of this Regulation is to extend the time limits for the lodging of applications for conversion premiums laid down in Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 in respect of the 1977/78 and 1978/79 wine years from 1 April to 1 November of the year preceding the final date for grubbing.

It has been found in applying Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 that vine growers prefer to postpone the decision to start grubbing until after the harvest. Extending the time limit for the lodging of applications by seven months will enable vine growers to be in a better position to take a decision as regards grubbing.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 of 17 May 1976 on the granting of a conversion premium in the wine sector (1), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 3141/76 (2), and in particular Article 4(5),

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 provides that applications for conversion premiums are to be lodged for the 1977/78 and 1978/79 wine years by 1 April of the year preceding the grubbing operations; whereas this means that there is a further harvest between the time of the application and the grubbing operation; whereas experience shows that vine growers prefer to embark upon grubbing after the harvest; whereas the time limits for lodging the applications should therefore be extended to 1 November,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

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(1) OJ No L 135, 24.5.1976, p. 34

(2) OJ No L 354, 24.12.1976, p. 5

Article 1

In the second and third indents of Article 3 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1163/76 the dates "1 April 1977 and 1 April 1978 are hereby replaced by, "1 November 1977" and "1 November 1978" respectively.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third 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
the President