

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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PROPOSAL FOR A COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC)

amending Regulation (EEC) No. 2778/75 laying down rules
for calculating the levy and the sluice-gate price
for poultrymeat, and Regulation (EEC) No. 950/68
on the common customs tariff

(presented by the Commission to the Council)

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

I. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS :

The common organization of the market in poultrymeat established by Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2777/75 consists in the main of a system of levies and sluice-gate prices calculated on the basis of the prices of feed grain.

To establish the amount of the levy and the level of the sluice-gate price for each product, the quantity of cereals required for the production of one kilogram of product must be determined, together with the other production and marketing costs.

Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2778/75 laid down the rules for such calculations and fixed the processing coefficients (quantities of cereals) and the standard amounts (other costs) for whole slaughtered poultry and for chicks.

It would now appear that some adjustments should be made to the rules to take account of recent changes in production and marketing conditions.

Thus for slaughtered turkeys, market developments demonstrate the necessity of introducing two commercial presentations : "roasting - 80 %" and "grilling - 73 %", these two commercial presentations covering products of significantly different value.

For these two presentations, processing coefficients and standard amounts are proposed, as well as the new text under subheading 02.02 A IV of the C.C.T.

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It is also proposed to increase the standard amount for slaughtered ducks and geese. For these products the augmentation of general costs could not be compensated by an improvement in the conditions of production and commercialization.

II. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

a) Processing coefficients for feed grains : in kg

PRODUCTS	Coefficients Sluice-gate prices		Coefficients Levies	
	actual	proposed	actual	proposed
1	2	3	4	5
85 % ducks	2,647	no change	2,853	no change
70 % ducks	3,214		3,464	
63 % ducks	3,571		3,849	
82 % geese	3,049		3,122	
75 % geese	3,333		3,413	
80 % turkeys	2,275		2,338	
73 % turkeys	-	2,493	-	2,562

b) Standard amounts:

Products	Actual standard amounts		Proposed standard amounts
	U.a./kg	ECU/kg	ECU/kg
1	2	3	4
85 % ducks	0,6275	0,7586	0,8498
70 % ducks	0,7620	0,9212	1,0319
63 % ducks	0,8467	1,0236	1,1465
82 % geese	0,9969	1,2052	1,3504
75 % geese	0,8900	1,0760	1,2346
80 % turkeys	0,8929	1,0795	1,1875
73 % turkeys	-	-	1,3013

c) Incidence on the sluice-gate price and the levy:

If the proposed calculation factors had been used for the period 1 November 1980 - 31 January 1981 the incidence on the sluice-gate price and levies would have been as follows:

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ECU/100 kg

Products	Sluice-gate price		Levy	
	1.11.1980	Proposal	1.11.1980	Proposal
1	2	3	4	5
85 % ducks	107,01	116,13	31,99	no change
70 % ducks	129,95	141,02	38,84	
63 % ducks	144,39	156,68	43,16	
82 % geese	156,40	170,92	37,74	
75 % geese	146,83	162,69	39,57	
80 % turkeys	134,72	145,52	29,49	
73 % turkeys	-	159,47	-	31,44

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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. 2777/75 of 29 October 1975 on the common organization of the market in poultrymeat (1), as amended by Regulation (EEC) No. 369/76 (2), and in particular Articles 4 (3) and 7 (5),

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2778/75 of 29 October 1975 laying down rules for calculating the levy and the sluice-gate price for poultrymeat (3), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No. 2299/77 (4) fixed in particular for slaughtered ducks, geese and turkeys :

- the quantities of feed grain required for production in the Community and in third countries of one kilogram of slaughtered poultry,
- the standard amount representing other feeding costs and the overhead costs of production and marketing of one kilogram of slaughtered poultry ;

(1) OJ No. L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 77

(2) OJ No. L 45, 21. 2.1976, p. 3

(3) OJ No. L 282, 1.11.1975, p. 84

(4) OJ No. L 271, 22.10.1977, p. 1

Whereas these elements have been fixed for turkeys without regard to different commercial presentations ;
that the evolution of the trade shows the necessity of introducing two different commercial presentations ;
that it is therefore necessary to fix, for these two presentations, the elements for calculating the levy and the sluice-gate price ;

Whereas the examination of the available data concerning the technical performance and general costs, indicates the need to establish the elements of calculation as follows :

- processing coefficient, used for calculating the levy :
 - 1 : 2.338 for slaughtered turkeys, plucked and drawn, without heads and feet, with hearts, livers and gizzards, hereinafter called "80 % turkeys" ;
 - and
 - 1 : 2.562 for slaughtered turkeys, plucked and drawn, with neither heads nor necks, without feet and without hearts, livers and gizzards, hereinafter called "73 % turkeys" ;

- processing coefficient, used for calculating the sluice-gate price :
 - 1 : 2.275 for 80 % turkeys ;
 - 1 : 2.493 for 73 % turkeys ;

- standard amount :
 - 1.1875 ECU per kilogramme for 80 % turkeys ;
 - 1.3013 ECU per kilogramme for 73 % turkeys ;

Whereas for certain species, especially ducks, geese and turkeys, an increase in the general costs is noted which has not been compensated by an improvement in the conditions of production and commercialization ;
that for this reason it is appropriate to adjust the standard amounts for these products ;

Whereas the tariff nomenclature resulting from the application of Regulation (EEC) No. 2777/75 is set out in the common customs tariff annexed to Regulation (EEC) No. 950/68 (5), as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No. (6) ;

Whereas, at the same time, it is convenient to indicate in ECU the standard amounts which are still expressed in units of account in annex II of Regulation (EEC) No. 2778/75 ;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION :

ARTICLE 1

Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No. 2778/75 is replaced by Annex I to this Regulation.

ARTICLE 2

Annex II to Regulation (EEC) No. 2778/75 is replaced by Annex II to this Regulation.

ARTICLE 3

The entries under subheading 02.02 A IV of the common customs tariff annexed to Regulation (EEC) No. 950/68 are amended in accordance with annex III to this Regulation.

ARTICLE 4

This Regulation shall enter into force on 1st January 1981.

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

Done at Brussels,

For the Council,

(5) OJ No. L 172, 22. 7.1968, p. 1
(6) OJ No. L

ANNEX I

CCT heading No.	Description of goods	Quantity in kg	Composition
1	2	3	4
01.05	Live poultry, that is to say, fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls : A. Of a weight not exceeding 185 grams I. of turkeys or geese II. of other poultry	0,830 each 0,392 each	maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 %
02.02	Dead poultry (that is to say, fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls) and edible offals thereof (except liver), fresh, chilled or frozen : A. Whole poultry : I. Fowls : a) 83 % chickens b) 70 % chickens c) 65 % chickens II. Ducks : a) 85 % ducks b) 70 % ducks c) 63 % ducks III. Geese : a) 82 % geese b) 75 % geese IV. Turkeys : a) 80 % turkeys b) 73 % turkeys V. Guinea fowls :	1,925 2,189 2,385 2,853 3,464 3,849 3,122 3,413 2,338 2,562 3,808	maize 80 % barley 20 % maize 80 % barley 20 % maize 80 % barley 20 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 %

ANNEX II

CCT heading No.	Description of goods	Quantity in kg	Composition	Standard amount in ECU
1	2	3	4	5
01.05	Live poultry, that is to say, fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls : A. Of a weight not exceeding 185 grams I. of turkeys or geese II. of other poultry	0,830 each 0,392 each	maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 % maize 60 % barley 30 % oats 10 %	0,7254 0,1751
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ANNEX III

Heading Number	Description	Rate of duty	
		autonomous % or Levy (L)	conventional %
1	2	3	4
02.02	<p>Dead poultry (that is to say, fowls, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls) and edible offals thereof (except liver), fresh, chilled or frozen :</p> <p>A. Whole poultry :</p> <p>IV. Turkeys :</p> <p>a) Plucked and drawn, without heads and feet but with hearts, livers and gizzards, known as "80 % turkeys".....</p> <p>b) Plucked and drawn, with neither heads nor necks, without feet and without hearts, livers and gizzards, known as "73 % turkeys".....</p>	<p>18 (L)</p> <p>18 (L)</p>	<p>-</p> <p>-</p>