

COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 June 2002

amending Decision 95/538/EC laying down special conditions governing the import of fishery and aquaculture products originating in Japan

(notified under document number C(2002) 2205)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2002/471/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 91/493/EEC of 22 July 1991 laying down the health conditions for the production and the placing on the market of fishery products ⁽¹⁾, as last amended by Directive 97/79/EC ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 11(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex A of Decision 95/538/EC of 6 December 1995 laying down special conditions governing the import of fishery and aquaculture products originating in Japan ⁽³⁾, as last amended by Decision 2001/253/EC ⁽⁴⁾, lays down the model of health certificate for fishery and aquaculture products originating in Japan and intended for export to the European Community.
- (2) Commission Decision 2002/470/EC laying down special conditions for the import of bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods from Japan ⁽⁵⁾, authorises the imports of frozen and processed bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods from Japan. It is, therefore, necessary to modify the health certificate laid down in Decision 95/538/EC to include the relevant mentions to the requirements for bivalve molluscs.

- (3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 95/538/EC is modified as follows:
Annex A shall be replaced by the Annex hereto.

Article 2

This Decision shall apply from 24 June 2002.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20 June 2002.

For the Commission

David BYRNE

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 268, 24.9.1991, p. 15.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 24, 30.1.1998, p. 31.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 304, 16.12.1995, p. 52.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 91, 31.3.2001, p. 81.

⁽⁵⁾ See page 19 of this Official Journal.

ANNEX

'ANNEX A

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for fishery and aquaculture products originating in Japan and intended for export to the European Community

Reference No:

Country of dispatch: JAPAN

Competent authority: "Inspection and Safety Division (ISD) of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare"

I. Details identifying the fishery products

- Description of fishery/aquaculture ⁽¹⁾ products:
- species (scientific name):
- presentation of product and type of treatment ⁽²⁾:
- Code number (where available):
- Type of packaging:
- Number of packages:
- Net weight:
- Requisite storage and transport temperature:

II. Origin of products

Name(s) and official approval number(s) of establishment(s), factory vessel(s), or cold store(s) approved or freezer vessel(s) registered by the ISD for export to the EC:

III. Destination of products

The products are dispatched:

from:
(place of dispatch)

to:
(country and place of destination)

by the following means of transport:

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Name and address of dispatcher:

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Name of consignee and address at place of destination:

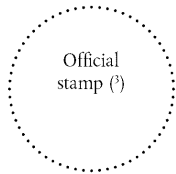
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⁽¹⁾ Delete where applicable.
⁽²⁾ Live, refrigerated, frozen, salted, smoked, preserved, etc.

IV. Health attestation

- The official inspector hereby certifies that the fishery or aquaculture products specified above:
 1. were caught and handled on board vessels in accordance with the health rules laid down by Directive 92/48/EEC,
 2. were landed, handled and, where appropriate, packaged, prepared, processed, frozen, thawed and stored hygienically in compliance with the requirements laid down in Chapters II, III and IV of the Annex to Directive 91/493/EEC,
 3. have undergone health controls in accordance with Chapter V of the Annex to Directive 91/493/EEC,
 4. are packaged, marked, stored and transported in accordance with Chapters VI, VII and VIII of the Annex to Directive 91/493/EEC,
 5. do not come from toxic species or species containing biotoxins,
 6. have satisfactorily undergone the organoleptic, parasitological, chemical and microbiological checks laid down for certain categories of fishery products by Directive 91/493/EEC and in the implementing decisions thereto,
 7. in addition, where the fishery products are frozen or processed bivalve molluscs: the molluscs were obtained from approved production areas laid down by the Annex to Decision 2002/470/EC, laying down special conditions for the import of bivalve molluscs, echinoderms, tunicates and marine gastropods from Japan,
- The undersigned official inspector hereby declares that he is aware of the provisions of Directives 91/492/EEC, 91/493/EEC and 92/48/EEC and Decisions 95/538/EC and 2002/470/EC.

Done at on
(Place) (Date)



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Signature of official inspector (2)

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(Name in capital letters, capacity and qualifications of person signing)

(1) The colour of the stamp and signature must be different from that of the other particulars in the certificate.