

Council Decision of 16 December 2002 on the equivalence of field inspections carried out in third countries on seed-producing crops and on the equivalence of seed produced in third countries (Text with EEA relevance) (2003/17/EC)

- Article 1 Field inspections concerning the seed-producing crops of the species specified...
- Article 2 Seed of the species specified in Annex I to this...
- Article 3 (1) Where equivalent seed is ' relabelled and refastened ' ...
- Article 4 . . . . .
- Article 5 . . . . .
- Article 6 This Decision shall apply from 1 January 2003 to 31...
- Article 7 This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

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ANNEX I

ANNEX II

- A. Conditions relating to field inspections carried out in third countries...
1. Field inspections shall be carried out in accordance with national...
  2. Seed not finally certified shall be packed in officially closed...
  3. Seed not finally certified shall be accompanied, without prejudice to...
- B. Conditions relating to seed produced in third countries
1. Seed shall be officially certified and its packages officially closed...
  2. Seed shall satisfy the following conditions.
    - 2.1. The conditions which seed shall satisfy in accordance with the...
    - 2.2. For the purpose of the examination to check whether the...
    - 2.3. The examination shall be carried out officially or under official...
    - 2.4. . . . . .
  3. Seed shall satisfy the following additional conditions in respect of...
    - 3.1. The following official information shall be given:
    - 3.2. In the case of seed of a variety which has...
    - 3.3. An official notice placed inside the package shall give at...
    - 3.4. Any chemical treatment of the seed and the active substance...
    - 3.5. All information required for official labels, for official notices and...
  4. The seed lots shall be accompanied by an ISTA Orange...
  5. In the case of basic seed of varieties which are...
  6. For certified seed of all generations, seed of the previous...
  7. In the case of Canada and the United States of...

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- (1) OJ 125, 11.7.1966, p. 2298/66. Directive as last amended by Directive 2001/64/EC (OJ 234, 1.9.2001, p. 60).
- (2) OJ 125, 11.7.1966, p. 1309/66. Directive as last amended by Directive 2001/64/EC.
- (3) OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 12.
- (4) OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 74. Directive as amended by Directive 2002/68/EC (OJ L 195, 24.7.2002, p. 32).
- (5) OJ L 296, 9.12.1995, p. 34. Decision as last amended by Commission Decision 2002/276/EC (OJ L 96, 13.4.2002, p. 28).
- (6) OJ L 93, 8.4.1986, p. 23.
- (7) OJ L 184, 17.7.1999, p. 23.

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### Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Annex 2 para. B(3.1) words omitted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(5\)\(a\)](#)
- Annex 2 para. B(3.2) words omitted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 1 word omitted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(3)(3A) substituted for reg. 6(3) immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(b))
- Art. 1 words inserted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(3)(a) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 1 words omitted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(3\)](#)
- Art. 1 words omitted by virtue of by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(3)(b) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 1 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(3)(3A) substituted for reg. 6(3) immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(b))
- Art. 1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(3)(c) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2 word omitted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(3\)\(a\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(3)(3A) substituted for reg. 6(3) immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(b))
- Art. 2 words inserted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(3A)(a) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2 words omitted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(3\)](#)
- Art. 2 words omitted by virtue of by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(3A)(b) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 2 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(3\)\(b\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(3)(3A) substituted for reg. 6(3) immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(b))
- Art. 2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(3A)(c) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(b\)](#)
- Art. 3(1) words omitted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(4\)\(a\)\(iii\)](#)
- Art. 3(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(4\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(4\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 3(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(4\)\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(1) words substituted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(4\)\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Art. 3(2) word substituted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(4\)\(b\)\(ii\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(4)(b)(ii) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(c))
- Art. 3(2) words omitted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(4\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#)
- Art. 3(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(4\)\(b\)\(i\)](#)
- Art. 3(2) words substituted by [S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6\(4\)\(b\)\(i\)\(aa\)](#)
- Art. 3(2) words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(4)(b)(ii) (as substituted) by [S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30\(3\)\(c\)](#)
- Art. 6 words substituted by [S.S.I. 2022/328 reg. 2](#)
- Art. 6 words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1274 reg. 3\(2\)](#)
- Art. 6 words substituted by [S.I. 2022/1276 reg. 2\(2\)](#)
- Art. 7 omitted by [S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6\(5\)](#)

### Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole legislation item and associated provisions

- Art. A1 inserted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(2)
- Art. A1 words inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(2) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(a)(ii)
- Art. A1(1) words omitted by S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6(2)
- Art. A1(1)(d) words inserted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(2) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(a)(i)
- Annex 2 para. B point 6 word inserted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(viii)(bb)
- Annex 2 para. B point 6 word omitted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(viii)(bb)
- Annex 2 para. B point 3.1 word substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(iv)(bb)
- Annex 2 para. B point 6 words inserted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(viii)(cc)
- Annex 2 para. A point 3 words omitted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(a)(ii)
- Annex 2 para. A heading words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(a)(i)
- Annex 2 para. B heading words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(i)
- Annex 2 para. B point 1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(ii)
- Annex 2 para. B point 2.1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(iii)
- Annex 2 para. B point 3.1 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(iv)(aa)
- Annex 2 para. B point 3.2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(v)  
(This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(4)(b)(v) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(d)(ii))
- Annex 2 para. B point 3.5 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(vi)
- Annex 2 para. B point 5 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(vii)(aa)  
(This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(4)(b)(vii) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(d)(iii))
- Annex 2 para. B point 5 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(vii)(bb)  
(This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. Reg. 6(4)(b)(vii) substituted immediately before IP completion day by S.I. 2020/1388, regs. 1(2)(a), 30(3)(d)(iii))
- Annex 2 para. B point 6 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(6)(b)(viii)(aa)
- Annex 2 para. B(5) words substituted by S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6(5)(c)(i)
- Annex 2 para. B(5) words substituted by S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6(5)(c)(ii)
- Annex 2 para. B(6) words substituted by S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6(5)(d)
- Annex 2 para. B point 3.2 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(6)(b)(v) (as substituted) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(d)(ii)
- Annex 2 para. B point 5 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(6)(b)(vii)(aa) (as substituted) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(d)(iii)
- Annex 2 para. B point 5 words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(6)(b)(vii)(bb) (as substituted) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(d)(iii)
- Annex 2 para. B point 6 words substituted in earlier amending provision S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(6)(b)(viii)(cc) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(d)(iv)
- Art. 3(2)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(4)(b)(iii)(aa)
- Art. 3(2)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(4)(b)(iii)(bb)
- Art. 3(2)(a) words substituted by S.I. 2021/393 reg. 6(4)(b)(ii)
- Art. 3(2)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2019/162 reg. 6(4)(b)(iv)(aa)
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- Art. 3(2)(b) words substituted by S.I. 2019/162, reg. 6(6)(b)(iv)(bb) (as substituted) by S.I. 2020/1388 reg. 30(3)(d)(i)