

COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2007/72/EC**of 13 December 2007****amending Council Directive 66/401/EEC as regards the inclusion of the species *Galega orientalis* Lam.****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 66/401/EEC of 14 June 1966 on the marketing of fodder plant seed ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2(1a) thereof,

Whereas

- (1) *Galega orientalis* Lam. is a fodder plant largely grown in certain Member States and plays a significant role in improving the quality of feed for farm animals.
- (2) That species is currently not covered by uniform rules on seed certification under Directive 66/401/EEC and therefore the relevant seed cannot benefit from free circulation.
- (3) Since it meets all relevant conditions for certification, the species *Galega orientalis* Lam. should therefore be included in the list in Directive 66/401/EEC.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Seeds and Propagating Material for Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

Directive 66/401/EEC is amended as follows:

1. in Article 2(1)(A)(b), the following entry is inserted between the heading 'Leguminosae' and 'Hedysarum coronarium L. Sulla':

'*Galega orientalis* Lam. fodder galega';

2. in Article 3(1), the following entry is inserted between 'Festuca rubra L. x Festulolium' and 'Lolium multiflorum Lam.':

'*Galega orientalis* Lam. fodder galega';

3. Annexes II and III are amended as set out in the Annex to this Directive.

Article 2**Transposition**

Member States shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive by 31 December 2008 at the latest. They shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions and a correlation table between those provisions and this Directive.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

Article 3

This Directive shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 4

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 13 December 2007.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ 125, 11.7.1966, p. 2298/66. Directive as last amended by Directive 2004/117/EC (OJ L 14, 18.1.2005, p. 18).

ANNEX

1. Annex II to Directive 66/401/EEC is amended as follows:

(a) in the table in point 2.A of Section I 'CERTIFIED SEED', the following line is inserted between the heading 'LEGUMINOSAE' and 'Hedysarum coronarium':

Species	Germination		Analytical purity							Maximum content of seeds of other plant species in a sample of the weight specified in column 4 of Annex III (total per column)				Conditions as regards content of lupin seeds of another colour and of bitter lupin seeds
	Minimum germination (% of pure seed)	Maximum content of hard seed (% of pure seed)	Minimum analytical purity (% by weight)	Maximum content of seeds of other plant species (% by weight)										
				Total	A single species	Agropyron repens	Alopecurus myosuroides	Melilotus spp.	Raphanus raphanistrum	Sinapis arvensis	Avena fatua, Avena ludoviciana, Avena sterilis	Cuscuta spp.	Rumex spp. other than Rumex acetosella and Rumex maritimus	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
'Galega orientalis Lam.	60	40	97	2,0	1,5			0,3	0	0	0	0 (l) (m)	10 (e)	

(b) in the table in point 2.A of Section II 'BASIC SEED', the following line is inserted between the heading 'LEGUMINOSAE' and 'Hedysarum coronarium':

Species	Maximum content of seeds of other plant species						Other standards or conditions
	Total (% by weight)	Content by number in a sample of the weight specified in column 4 of Annex III (total per column)					
		A single species	<i>Rumex</i> spp. other than <i>Rumex acetosella</i> and <i>Rumex maritimus</i>	<i>Agropyron repens</i>	<i>Alopecurus myosuroides</i>	<i>Melilotus</i> spp.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
‘ <i>Galega orientalis</i> Lam.	0,3	20	2			(e)	(j)’

2. in Annex III, in the table the following line is inserted between the heading 'LEGUMINOSAE' and 'Hedysarum coronarium':

Species	Maximum weight of a lot (tonnes)	Minimum weight of a sample to be drawn from a lot (grams)	Weight of the sample for the determinations by number provided for in columns 12 to 14 of Annex II (I) (2) (A) and columns 3 to 7 of Annex II (II) (2) (A) (grams)
1	2	3	4
' <i>Galega orientalis</i> Lam.	10	250	200'