
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Common Agricultural Policy (Wine) Regulations 1992

PART III

QUALITY WINES PRODUCED IN SPECIFIED REGIONS

Interpretation of Part III

13.—(1) In this Part—

“Regulation 823/87” means Council Regulation (EEC) No. 823/87 laying down special provisions relating to quality wines produced in specified regions⁽¹⁾;

“quality wines psr” has the meaning assigned to it by Article 1(2) of Regulation 823/87;

“specified regions” mean, unless the context otherwise requires, Southern Counties and Northern Counties as defined in regulation 14.

(2) Other expressions used in this Part have, in so far as the context admits, the same meanings as in Regulation 823/87.

Specified regions

14.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) below, the specified regions in the United Kingdom for the purposes of Article 3 of Regulation 823/87 are—

(a) Southern Counties, comprising the areas of the counties, subject to any alteration of boundaries under Part IV of the Local Government Act 1972⁽²⁾, described in Part I of Schedule 4, and

(b) Northern Counties, comprising the areas of the counties, subject to any alteration of boundaries under Part IV of the Local Government Act 1972, described in Part II of Schedule 4.

(2) There shall be excluded from the areas described in Part I and Part II of Schedule 4 any land situated at an altitude of more than 220 metres above sea level.

Vine varieties

15. For the purposes of Article 4 of Regulation 823/87, the list of vine varieties of the species *Vitis vinifera* suitable for producing quality wines psr in the specified regions is specified in Schedule 5.

Minimum natural alcoholic strength

16. The minimum natural alcoholic strength for quality wines psr produced in the specified regions shall be 6%.

(1) OJ No. L84, 27.3.87, p.1, the amendments to which are specified at item 27 in column 1 of Schedule 1 to these Regulations.

(2) 1972 c. 70.

Authorization under Article 6(3) of Regulation 823/87

17. Notwithstanding the provisions of the second indent of Article 6(1) of Regulation 823/87, which requires the processing of grapes into must and the processing of that must into wine as well as the production of such wine within the specified region where the grapes used were harvested, a quality wine psr may be produced in an area in immediate proximity to a specified region.

Maximum yield

18. For the purposes of Article 11 of Regulation 823/87, the maximum yield for each hectare of land cultivated with vines for producing quality wines psr in the specified regions shall be 100 hectolitres.

Analytical test

19. The tests to be carried out for the purposes of the analytical test for quality wines psr produced in the specified regions are specified in Schedule 6.

Additional term of designation

20. For the purposes of Article 15(1) of Regulation 823/87, a quality wine psr produced in a specified region may be described as a wine of “designated origin”.