

Directive 2000/13/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of  
20 March 2000 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States  
relating to the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs (repealed)

*Article 16*

[<sup>F1</sup> Member States shall ensure that the sale is prohibited within their own territories of foodstuffs for which the particulars provided for in Article 3 and Article 4(2) do not appear in a language easily understood by the consumer, unless the consumer is in fact informed by means of other measures, determined as regards one or more labelling particulars. Determination of such measures, being a measure designed to amend non-essential elements of this Directive by supplementing it, shall be carried out in accordance with the regulatory procedure with scrutiny referred to in Article 20(3).]

2 Within its own territory, the Member State in which the product is marketed may, in accordance with the rules of the Treaty, stipulate that those labelling particulars shall be given in one or more languages which it shall determine from among the official languages of the Community.

3 Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not preclude the labelling particulars from being indicated in several languages.

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Substituted by [Regulation \(EC\) No 596/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 June 2009](#) adapting a number of instruments subject to the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the Treaty to Council Decision 1999/468/EC with regard to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny  
[Adaptation to the regulatory procedure with scrutiny — Part Four.](#)