

Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 of 5 September 2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products with regard to organic production, labelling and control

[^{F1}TITLE II

**RULES ON PRODUCTION, PRESERVATION, PROCESSING,
PACKAGING, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE OF ORGANIC PRODUCTS]**

CHAPTER 4

Collection, packaging, transport and storage of products

Article 34

Special rules for the reception of products from a third country

Organic products shall be imported from a third country in appropriate packaging or containers, closed in a manner preventing substitution of the content and provided with identification of the exporter and with any other marks and numbers serving to identify the lot and with the certificate of control for import from third countries as appropriate.

On receipt of an organic product, imported from a third country, the first consignee shall check the closing of the packaging or container and, in the case of products imported in accordance with Article 33 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, shall check that the certificate mentioned in that Article covers the type of product contained in the consignment. The result of this verification shall be explicitly mentioned in the documentary accounts referred to in Article 66 of this Regulation.

[^{F1}The requirement to provide a certificate of inspection for import applies to organic products entering the United Kingdom from the European Union, an EEA state or Switzerland only on and after 1st January 2021.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [Art. 34](#) inserted (31.12.2020) by [The Organic Production and Control \(Amendment\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2019 \(S.I. 2019/693\)](#), regs. 1(2), **3(20)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

Changes to legislation:

There are outstanding changes not yet made to Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008. Any changes that have already been made to the legislation appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- Regulation applied (with modifications) by [S.I. 2023/959 reg. 6Sch. 3](#)

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

- Annex 2 para. 3 words substituted by [S.I. 2019/693 reg. 3\(56\)](#)
- Art. 29(1)(a) words substituted by [S.I. 2019/693 reg. 3\(17\)\(b\)\(i\)\(bb\)](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). [S.I. 2019/693](#), reg. 3(17)(b)(i)(bb) substituted immediately before IP completion day by [S.I. 2020/1400](#), regs. 1(b), 3(3)(e))