

Council Regulation (EC) No 73/2009 of 19 January 2009 establishing common rules for direct support schemes for farmers under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers, amending Regulations (EC) No 1290/2005, (EC) No 247/2006, (EC) No 378/2007 and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 (repealed)

TITLE II

GENERAL PROVISIONS ON DIRECT PAYMENTS

CHAPTER 5

Other general provisions

Article 29

Payment

- 1 Save as otherwise provided for in this Regulation, payments under support schemes listed in Annex I shall be made in full to the beneficiaries.
- 2 Payments shall be made in up to two instalments per year within the period from 1 December to 30 June of the following calendar year.
- 3 Payments under support schemes listed in Annex I shall not be made before the verification of eligibility conditions, to be carried out by the Member State pursuant to Article 20, has been finalised.
- 4 By way of derogation from paragraph 2 of this Article and in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 141(2), the Commission may:
 - a provide for advances;
 - b authorise the Member States, subject to the budgetary situation, to pay prior to 1 December advances in regions where, due to exceptional conditions, farmers face severe financial difficulties:
 - (i) of up to 50 % of the payments;
 - or
 - (ii) of up to 80 % of the payments where advances have already been provided for.