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**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No
668/2014**

of 13 June 2014

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1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on
quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs**

Article 1

Specific rules for a name

1. The name of a protected designation of origin, a protected geographical indication or a traditional speciality guaranteed shall be registered in its original script. Where the original script is not in Latin characters, a transcription in Latin characters shall be registered together with the name in its original script.

2. Where the name of a traditional speciality guaranteed is accompanied by the claim referred to in Article 18(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and that claim is to be translated in the other official languages, such translations shall be included in the product specification.

Article 2

Definition of the geographical area

As regards protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, the geographical area shall be defined in a precise way that presents no ambiguities, referring as far as possible to physical or administrative boundaries.

Article 3

Specific rules on feed

The product specification of a product of animal origin the name of which is registered as a protected designation of origin shall contain detailed rules on the origin and the quality of feed.

Article 4

Proof of origin

1. The product specification for a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication shall identify the procedures which operators must have in place as regards the proof of origin concerning the product, raw materials, feed and other items that, according to the product specification, are required to come from the defined geographical area.

2. Operators shall be able to identify:

(a) the supplier, quantity and origin of all batches of raw material and/or products received;

(b) the recipient, quantity and destination of products supplied;

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- (c) the correlation between each batch of inputs referred to in point (a) and each batch of outputs referred to in point (b).

*Article 5***Description of several distinct products**

Where the application for registration of a name or approval of an amendment describes several distinct products which are entitled to use that name, compliance with the requirements for registration shall be shown separately for each such product.

For the purposes of this Article, ‘distinct products’ mean products that, although using the same registered name, are differentiated when placed on the market or considered as different products by consumers.

▼M1*Article 6***Procedural requirements for applications for registration of protected designations of origin, protected geographical indications and traditional specialities guaranteed**

1. The single document of a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication referred to in Article 8(1), point (c), of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall include the information requested in Annex I to this Regulation

The reference to the publication of the product specification published with the single document shall lead to the version of the product specification as proposed.

2. Where the application is submitted to the Commission by a Member State, the single document shall be drawn up in accordance with the form made available in the digital systems referred to in Article 12(1), first subparagraph, point (a).

Where the application is submitted to the Commission by a third country authority or an applicant established in a third country, the single document shall be drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex I. The information so supplied may be entered by the Commission into its digital systems.

3. The single document shall be concise and not exceed 2 500 words, except in duly justified cases.

4. Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 shall also apply to a single document covered by a request for publication in accordance with Article 8(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014.

5. The product specification of a traditional speciality guaranteed referred to in Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall include the information requested in Annex II to this Regulation. It shall be drawn up in accordance with the form provided for in that Annex.

▼B*Article 7***Specific rules for the description of the product and the production method**

1. The single document for an application for registration of a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication referred to in point (c) of Article 8(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall identify the product by using definitions and standards commonly used for that product.

The description shall focus on the specificity of the product bearing the name to be registered, using measurement units and common or technical terms of comparison, without including technical characteristics inherent to all products of that type and related mandatory legal requirements applicable to all products of that type.

2. The description of the product for a traditional speciality guaranteed referred to in point (b) of Article 19(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall only mention the characteristics necessary to identify the product and its specific characteristics. It shall not repeat general obligations and, in particular, technical characteristics inherent to all products of that type and related mandatory legal requirements.

The description of the production method referred to in point (c) of Article 19(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall only include the production method in force. Historical practices are only to be included if they are still followed. Only the method necessary for obtaining the specific product shall be described and in a way that enables reproduction of the product anywhere.

The key elements proving the product's traditional character shall include the main elements that have remained unchanged, with precise and well established references.

*Article 8***Joint applications**

A joint application as referred to in Article 49(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall be submitted to the Commission by a Member State concerned, or by an applicant group in a third country concerned, directly or through the authorities of that third country. It shall include the declaration referred to in point (c) of Article 8(2) or point (b) of Article 20(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 from all the Member States concerned. Requirements laid down in Articles 8 and 20 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall be fulfilled in all Member States and third countries concerned.

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The Member State, the authority of the third country or an applicant established in a third country which submits to the Commission a joint application as referred to in the first subparagraph shall be the addressee of any notification or decision issued by the Commission.

▼B*Article 9***Procedural rules for oppositions**

1. For the purposes of Article 51(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 a reasoned statement of opposition shall be drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex III to this Regulation.
2. The period of three months referred to in the first subparagraph of Article 51(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall start on the date on which the invitation to the interested parties to reach agreement among them is delivered by electronic means.
3. The notification referred to in Article 5 of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 and the communication of the information to be provided to the Commission pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 51(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall be made within one month from the end of the consultations in accordance with the form set out in Annex IV to this Regulation.

▼M1*Article 10***Applications for Union amendments to a product specification**

1. An application for approval of a Union amendment to a product specification as referred to in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall contain:
 - (a) the protected name to which the amendment relates;
 - (b) the name and contact details of the applicant and a description of the legitimate interest of the applicant;
 - (c) the headings in the product specification and, as regards protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, in the single document relating to the matters affected by the amendment;
 - (d) for protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, an explanation that the amendment falls under the definition of a Union amendment as provided for in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012;
 - (e) a description of and the reasons for each of the amendments proposed;
 - (f) for protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, the consolidated single document as amended;
 - (g) for applications submitted by a Member State concerning protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, the electronic reference to the publication of the consolidated product specification as amended;
 - (h) for applications submitted by a third country concerning protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications, the consolidated version of the product specification as published, or the reference to the publication of the product specification;

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- (i) for applications for protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications from third countries only, proof that the requested amendment complies with the laws on protection of geographical indications in force in that third country;
- (j) for applications concerning traditional specialities guaranteed, the consolidated product specification as amended;
- (k) for all applications submitted by Member States, the declaration by the Member State that it considers that the application meets the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and of provisions adopted pursuant to it.

The description and reasons referred in the first subparagraph, point (e), and the single document referred to in the first subparagraph, point (f), shall not exceed 2 500 words each, except in duly justified cases.

2. An application for approval of a Union amendment shall be concise and not exceed 5 000 words, except in duly justified cases.

3. An application for approval of a Union amendment to the product specification of a protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication from a Member State shall be drawn up in accordance with the form made available in the digital systems referred to in Article 12(1), first subparagraph, point (a). An application for approval of a Union amendment to the product specification of a traditional speciality guaranteed from a Member State shall be drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex VI. The information so supplied may be entered by the Commission into its digital systems.

Applicants from third countries shall use the form set out in Annex V for a Union amendment to the product specification of a protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication and the form set out in Annex VI for a Union amendment to the product specification of a traditional speciality guaranteed. The information so supplied may be entered by the Commission into its digital systems.

4. The amended single document of a protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication and the amended product specification of a traditional speciality guaranteed shall be drawn up in accordance with Article 6. An application for a Union amendment for a protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication from a third country may include the consolidated version of the product specification instead of the electronic reference to the published product specification.

5. For the purposes of Article 53(2), fifth subparagraph, of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, in conjunction with Article 50(2) of that Regulation, in addition to the documents and information referred thereto, as amended, the Commission shall publish in the *Official Journal of the European Union*, the application for approval of a Union amendment to the product specification.

In case personal data are included in the application they shall be published as part of that application.

▼ **M1***Article 10a***Communicating a standard amendment**

1. The communication of an approved standard amendment to the product specification in accordance with Article 6b(2), second subparagraph, and Article 6b(3), (7) and (8) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 shall contain:

- (a) the reference to the protected name to which the standard amendment relates;
- (b) an explanation that the amendment falls under the definition of a standard amendment as provided for in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012;
- (c) description of the approved amendment, indicating whether the amendment leads to an amendment to the single document;
- (d) the decision approving the standard amendment as referred to in Article 6b(2), first subparagraph, and (3) of Regulation (EU) No 664/2014;
- (e) where relevant, the consolidated single document as amended;
- (f) the electronic reference to the publication of the consolidated product specification, as amended.

2. Where the communication is made by a Member State, it shall include a declaration by that Member State that it considers that the amendment approved meets the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and provisions adopted pursuant thereto.

3. In the case of applications concerning products originating in third countries, the communication from the authorities of the third country or by a third country applicant having a legitimate interest shall indicate the name of the third country or of the applicant sending the communication and shall include proof that the amendment is applicable in the third country. It may include the product specification as made public instead of the electronic reference to the publication thereto.

4. A communication of an approved standard amendment by a Member State shall be drawn up in accordance with the form made available in the digital systems referred to in Article 12(1), first subparagraph, point (a). For communications from third countries the form set out in ►**C2** Annex VII ◀ shall be used. The information so supplied shall be entered by the Commission into its digital systems.

5. For the purposes of Article 6b(5) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014, the name of the Member State or of the third country or of the natural or legal person submitting a communication of an approved standard amendment to the product specification of a geographical indication shall be published as part of the communication.

*Article 10b***Communicating a temporary amendment**

1. The communication of an approved temporary amendment to the product specification in accordance with Article 6d(1) to (4) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 shall contain:

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- (a) the reference to the protected name to which it relates;
- (b) a description of the approved temporary amendment together with the reasons supporting it, as referred to in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012;
- (c) the decision of the competent authorities formally recognising the natural disaster or imposing obligatory sanitary and phytosanitary measures or the respective electronic publication references;
- (d) the decision approving the temporary amendment or the electronic publication reference.

2. Where the communication is made by a Member State, it shall include a declaration by that Member State that it considers that the amendment approved meets the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and the provisions adopted pursuant thereto.

3. In the case of applications concerning products originating in third countries, the communication from the authorities of the third country or by the third country applicant having a legitimate interest shall indicate the name of the third country or of the applicant sending the communication and shall include proof that the amendment is applicable in the third country. It may include the national decision approving the temporary amendment as made public instead of the electronic reference to the publication reference thereto.

4. A communication of an approved temporary amendment by a Member State shall be drawn up in accordance with the form made available in the digital systems referred to in Article 12(1), first subparagraph, point (a). For communications from third countries the form set out in ►C2 Annex VIII ◀ shall be used. The information so supplied shall be entered by the Commission into its digital systems.

5. For the purposes of Article 6d(5) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014, the name of the Member State or of the third country or of the natural or legal person submitting a communication of an approved temporary amendment to the product specification of a protected designation of origin or of a geographical indication shall be published as part of the communication.

▼B*Article 11***Cancellation**

1. A request for cancellation of a registration pursuant to Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall be drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex IX to this Regulation.

Requests for cancellation shall be accompanied by the declaration referred to in point (c) of Article 8(2) or point (b) of Article 20(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.

2. The information to be published pursuant to Article 50(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 shall contain the duly completed request for a cancellation as referred to in the first subparagraph of paragraph 1 of this Article.

▼ **M1***Article 12***Communications between the Commission, the Member States, third countries and other operators**

1. The documents and information required for the implementation of Titles II and III of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and the related provisions shall be communicated to the Commission as follows:

- (a) for the competent authorities of Member States, through the digital systems made available by the Commission, subject to paragraph 2 of this Article;
- (b) for the competent authorities and producers of third countries, as well as natural or legal persons having a legitimate interest under Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, via electronic mail using the forms set out in Annexes I to IX to this Regulation.

Principles and requirements laid down in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1183 ⁽¹⁾ and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1185 ⁽²⁾ shall apply to the communications made under the first subparagraph, point (a).

2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, first subparagraph, point (a), the following documents shall be submitted via electronic mail by the competent authorities of the Member States:

- (a) the reasoned statement of opposition referred to in Article 9(1);
- (b) the notification of the result of the consultations referred to in Article 9(3);
- (c) the cancellation request referred to in Article 11;
- (d) the application for registration of a traditional speciality guaranteed referred to in Article 6(5);
- (e) the application for approval of a Union amendment to the product specification of a traditional speciality guaranteed referred to in Article 10.

3. Information shall be communicated and made available by the Commission to the competent authorities of Member States through the digital systems made available by the Commission in accordance with paragraph 1, first subparagraph, point (a). Information in the context of the procedures referred to in paragraph 1, first subparagraph, point (b), and in paragraph 2 shall be communicated by the Commission to the Member States, the competent authorities and applicant groups of third countries, as well as natural or legal persons who have a legitimate interest under Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 via electronic mail.

⁽¹⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1183 of 20 April 2017 on supplementing Regulations (EU) No 1307/2013 and (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the notifications to the Commission of information and documents (OJ L 171, 4.7.2017, p. 100).

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1185 of 20 April 2017 laying down rules for the application of Regulations (EU) No 1307/2013 and (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards notifications to the Commission of information and documents and amending and repealing several Commission Regulations (OJ L 171, 4.7.2017, p. 113).

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4. For official technical communications concerning protected designations of origin, protected geographical indications and traditional specialities guaranteed, each Member State shall communicate to the Commission one contact point comprising a departmental and postal address, a functional electronic mail box address, and a departmental telephone number. The Member States shall keep these contact points up to date. This data shall only identify official functions, offices and departments. None of the data shall identify any natural persons nor personal details otherwise contained within addresses, contact numbers or other data items.

The Commission may keep, store, share, make public and periodically circulate the complete list of such contact points, including to its own services, other Union institutions and bodies, and to all contact points on the list. The Commission may require this data to be submitted through digital systems made available by the Commission.

*Article 12a***Submission and receipt of communications**

1. The communications and submissions referred to in Article 12 shall be deemed to have been made on the date on which they are received by the Commission.

2. The Commission shall confirm receipt of all communications received and all files submitted through the digital systems referred to in Article 12(1), first subparagraph, point (a), to the competent authorities of the Member States through the digital systems.

The Commission shall attribute a file number to each new application for registration, application for approval of a Union amendment, communication concerning approved standard amendments and communication concerning approved temporary amendments.

The confirmation of receipt shall include at least the following elements:

- (a) the file number;
- (b) the product name concerned;
- (c) the date of receipt.

The Commission shall notify and make available information and remarks regarding such communications and submissions through the digital systems referred to in Article 12(1), first subparagraph, point (a).

3. For communications and submissions of files made via electronic mail, the Commission shall confirm receipt via electronic mail.

It shall attribute a file number to each new application for registration, application for approval of a Union amendment, communication concerning approved standard amendments and communication concerning approved temporary amendments.

The confirmation of receipt shall include at least the following elements:

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- (a) the file number;
- (b) the product name concerned;
- (c) the date of receipt.

The Commission shall notify and make available information and remarks regarding such communications and submission via electronic mail.

4. Article 4 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1183 and Articles 1 to 5 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1185 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the notification and making available of information as referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article.

▼B*Article 13***The use of symbols and indications**

1. The Union symbols as referred to in Articles 12(2) and 23(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and established by Article 2 of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 shall be reproduced as laid down in Annex X to this Regulation.
2. The indications ‘PROTECTED DESIGNATION OF ORIGIN’, ‘PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION’ and ‘TRADITIONAL SPECIALITY GUARANTEED’ within the symbol may be used in any of the official languages of the Union as laid down in Annex X to this Regulation.
3. Where the Union symbols, indications or corresponding abbreviations as referred to in Articles 12 and 23 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 appear on the labelling of a product, they shall be accompanied by the registered name.
4. Indications, abbreviations and symbols may be used in accordance with Article 44(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 in media or in advertising supports for the purpose of divulgation of the quality scheme or of advertisement of the registered names.
5. Products placed on the market before the entry into force of this Regulation which do not comply with paragraphs 1 and 2 may remain on the market until the stocks are exhausted.

*Article 14***Register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications and Register of traditional specialities guaranteed**

1. Upon the entry into force of a legal instrument registering a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication the Commission shall record the following data in the Register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications referred to in Article 11(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012:

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- (a) the registered name (or names) of the product;
- (b) the class of the product as referred to in Annex XI to this Regulation;
- (c) reference to the instrument registering the name;
- (d) information that the name is protected as a geographical indication or as a designation of origin;
- (e) indication of the country or countries of origin.

2. Upon the entry into force of a legal instrument registering a traditional speciality guaranteed, the Commission shall record the following data in the Register of traditional specialities guaranteed referred to in Article 22(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012:

- (a) the registered name (or names) of the product;
- (b) the class of the product as referred to in Annex XI to this Regulation;
- (c) reference to the instrument registering the name;
- (d) indication of the country or countries of the group or groups that made the application;
- (e) information whether the decision on registration provides that the name of the traditional speciality guaranteed is to be accompanied by the claim as referred to in Article 18(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012;
- (f) only for applications received before the entry into force of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, information whether the registration is without reservation of the name.

3. Where the Commission approves an amendment to the product specification that includes a change to the information recorded in the Registers, it shall delete the original data and record the new data with effect from the entry into force of the decision approving the amendment.

4. When a cancellation takes effect, the Commission shall delete the name from the Register concerned.

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5. The Register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications referred to in paragraph 1 shall be publicly accessible and established in electronic form. It shall be based on digital systems managed by the Commission and shall be updated in accordance with this Article.

▼ **M1***Article 14a***Data protection**

1. The Commission and the Member States shall process and make public the personal data received in the course of the procedures for approval of Union amendments and for communication of standard and temporary amendments, pursuant to this Regulation, in accordance with Regulations of the European Parliament and of the Council (EU) 2018/1725 ⁽¹⁾ and (EU) 2016/679 ⁽²⁾.

2. The Commission shall be considered controller within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 in relation to the processing of personal data in the procedure it is competent for in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 and this Regulation.

3. The competent authorities of the Member States shall be considered controllers within the meaning of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 in relation to the processing of personal data in the procedures they are competent for in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012, Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 and this Regulation.

▼ **B***Article 15***Transitional rules**

A request for publication of the single document submitted by a Member State pursuant to Article 8(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 in respect of a protected designation of origin or a protected geographical indication registered prior to 31 March 2006 shall be drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

*Article 16***Entry into force and application**

This Regulation shall enter into force on the third day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 9(1) shall only apply to opposition procedures for which the three-month period established in the first subparagraph of Article 51(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 has not started on the date of entry into force of this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39).

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 119, 4.5.2016, p. 1).

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Article 9(3) shall only apply to opposition procedures for which the three-month period established in the first subparagraph of Article 51(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 has not expired on the date of entry into force of this Regulation.

The first sentence of point 2 of Annex X shall apply from 1 January 2016, without prejudice to products already placed on the market before that date.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.



ANNEX I

SINGLE DOCUMENT

[Insert name, as in 1 below:] ‘...’

EU No: [for EU use only]

[Select one, ‘X’:] ☐ PDO ☐ PGI

1. Name(s) [of PDO or PGI]

[Insert the name proposed for registration or, in the case of an application for approval of an amendment to a product specification or a request for publication pursuant to Article 15 of this Regulation, the registered name]

2. Member State or Third Country

...

3. Description of the agricultural product or foodstuff

3.1. Type of product [listed in Annex XI]

...

3.2. Description of the product to which the name in (1) applies

[Main points referred to in point (b) of Article 7(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012. To identify the product use definitions and standards commonly used for that product. In the description of the product, focus on its specificity, using measurement units and common or technical terms of comparison, without including technical characteristics inherent to all products of that type and related mandatory legal requirements applicable to all products of that type (Article 7(1) of this Regulation).]

3.3. Feed (for products of animal origin only) and raw materials (for processed products only)

[For PDO: give confirmation that feed and raw material are from the area. In case feed or raw material come from outside the area, provide a detailed description of those exceptions and state justifications. Those exceptions must be in line with the rules adopted pursuant to Article 5, paragraph 4, of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.

For PGI: State any quality requirements, or restrictions on origin of raw materials. State justifications for any such restrictions. Such restrictions must be in line with the rules adopted pursuant to Article 5, paragraph 4, of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and must be justified in relation to the link referred to in point (f) of Article 7(1) of that Regulation.]

...

3.4. Specific steps in production that must take place in the identified geographical area

[State justifications for any restrictions or derogations.]

...

3.5. Specific rules concerning slicing, grating, packaging, etc. of the product the registered name refers to

[If none, leave blank. State product-specific justifications for any restrictions.]

...

3.6. Specific rules concerning labelling of the product the registered name refers to

[If none, leave blank. State justifications for any restrictions.]

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4. **Concise definition of the geographical area**

[Where appropriate, insert a map of the area]

...

5. **Link with the geographical area**

[For PDO: causal link between the quality or characteristics of the product and the geographical environment, with its inherent natural and human factors, including, where appropriate, elements of the product description or production method justifying the link.

For PGI: causal link between the geographical origin and, where appropriate, a given quality, the reputation or other characteristics of the product.

State explicitly on which ones of the given factors (reputation, given quality, other characteristic of the product) the causal link is based and give information only with respect to the relevant factors, including, where appropriate, elements of the product description or production method justifying the link.]

Reference to publication of the product specification

(the second subparagraph of Article 6(1) of this Regulation)

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ANNEX II

**PRODUCT SPECIFICATION OF A TRADITIONAL SPECIALITY
GUARANTEED**

[Insert name, as in 1. below:] “

EU No: [for EU use only]

Member State or Third Country “

1. Name(s) to be registered

...

2. Type of product [as in Annex XI]

...

3. Grounds for registration

3.1. Whether the product:

- ☐ results from a mode of production, processing or composition corresponding to traditional practice for that product or foodstuff
- ☐ is produced from raw materials or ingredients that are those traditionally used.

[Provide explanation]

3.2. Whether the name:

- ☐ has been traditionally used to refer to the specific product
- ☐ identifies the traditional character or specific character of the product

[Provide explanation]

4. Description

4.1. Description of the product to which the name under point 1 applies, including its main physical, chemical, microbiological or organoleptic characteristics showing the product's specific character (Article 7(2) of this Regulation)

...

4.2. Description of the production method of the product to which the name under point 1 applies that the producers must follow including, where appropriate, the nature and characteristics of the raw materials or ingredients used, and the method by which the product is prepared (Article 7(2) of this Regulation)

...

4.3. Description of the key elements establishing the product's traditional character (Article 7(2) of this Regulation)

...



ANNEX III

REASONED STATEMENT OF OPPOSITION

[Select one, 'X':] ☐ PDO ☐ PGI ☐ TSG

1. Name of product

[as given in *Official Journal (OJ)* publication]

...

2. Official reference

[as given in *Official Journal (OJ)* publication]

Reference number: ...

Date of *OJ* publication: ...

3. Contact details

Contact person: Title (Mr, Ms...): ... Name: ...

Group/organisation/individual: ...

Or national authority:

Department: ...

Address: ...

Telephone + ...

e-mail address: ...

4. Reason for the opposition:

For PDO PGI:

- ☐ Non-compliance with the conditions laid down in Article 5 and 7(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012
- ☐ Registration of the name would be contrary to Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (plant variety or animal breed)
- ☐ Registration of the name would be contrary to Article 6(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (name wholly or partially homonymous)
- ☐ Registration of the name would be contrary to Article 6(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (existing trade mark)
- ☐ Registration would jeopardize the existence of names, trade marks or products as specified in point (c) of Article 10(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012
- ☐ The name proposed for registration is generic; details to be provided as set down in point (d) of Article 10(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012

For TSG:

- ☐ Non-compliance with the conditions laid down in Article 18 of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012
- ☐ Registration of the name would be incompatible with the terms of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 (point (a) of Article 21(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012).

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- ☐ The name proposed for registration is lawful, renowned and economically significant for similar agricultural products or foodstuffs (point (b) of Article 21(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012).

5. Detail of opposition

Provide duly substantiated reasons and justification for the opposition.

Provide also a statement explaining the legitimate interest of the opposition, unless the opposition is lodged by the national authorities, in which case no statement of legitimate interest is required. The statement of opposition should be signed and dated.



ANNEX IV

NOTIFICATION OF END OF CONSULTATIONS FOLLOWING THE OPPOSITION PROCEDURE

[Select one, 'X':] ☐ PDO ☐ PGI ☐ TSG

1. Name of product

[as given in *Official Journal (OJ)* publication]

2. Official reference [as given in *Official Journal (OJ)* publication]

Reference number:

Date of *OJ* publication:

3. Result of consultations

3.1. Agreement was reached with the following opponent(s):

[annex copies of letters showing agreement and all the factors that enabled the agreement (Article 5 of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014)]

3.2. Agreement was not reached with the following opponent(s):

[annex the information referred to in the last sentence of the second subparagraph of Article 51(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012]

4. Product Specification and single document

4.1. The product specification has been amended:

... Yes (*) ... No

(*) If 'Yes', annex description of amendments and the amended product specification

4.2. The single document has been amended (only for PDO and PGI):

... Yes (*) ... No

(*) If 'Yes', annex copy of updated document

5. Dated and signed

[Name]

[Department/Organisation]

[Address]

[Telephone: +]

[e-mail address:]



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ANNEX V

**Application for a union amendment to the product specification of a
protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication**

(Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012)

1. Name of product

[as registered]

2. Geographical Indication type

[Mark 'X' in the appropriate box] PDO ☐ PGI ☐

3. Applicant and legitimate interest

[Provide name, address, telephone and email address of the applicant proposing the amendment. In case address, telephone and email address concern a natural person they shall not be included in this form and shall be sent to the Commission separately.]

Provide also a statement setting out the legitimate interest of the applicant group.]

4. Third country to which the geographical area belongs

...

5. Heading in the product specification and in the single document relating to the amendment(s)

☐ Name of product

☐ Link

☐ Marketing restrictions

6. Type of amendment(s)

[Provide a statement explaining why the amendment(s) fall under the definition of 'Union amendment' as provided for in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.]

7. Amendment(s)

[Provide a description of and the reasons for each amendment as provided for in Article 6a(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 and Article 10 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014.]

8. Annexes

8.1. The consolidated single document as amended, drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex I to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014.

8.2. The consolidated version of the product specification as published, or the reference to the publication of the product specification.

8.3. Proof that the amended documents correspond to the geographical indication in force in the third country.

▼ **M1***ANNEX VI*

**Application for a union amendment to the product specification of a
traditional speciality guaranteed
(Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012)**

1. Name of product

[as registered]

2. Applicant and legitimate interest

[Provide name, address, telephone and email address of the applicant proposing the amendment. In case address, telephone and email address concern a natural person they shall not be included in this form and shall be sent to the Commission separately.]

Provide also a statement setting out the legitimate interest of the applicant group.]

3. Member State or third country to which the geographical area belongs

...

4. Heading in the product specification relating to the amendment(s)

- ☐ Name of product
- ☐ Description of the product
- ☐ Method of production
- ☐ Other [to be specified]

5. Amendment(s)

[Provide a description of and the reasons for each amendment as provided for in Article 6a(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 664/2014 and Article 10 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014.]

6. Annexes**6.1. (Member States)**

- (a) The consolidated version of the product specification, as published, drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014.
- (b) The declaration that the application meets the requirements of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 and provisions adopted pursuant thereto.

6.2. (Third countries)

The consolidated version of the product specification as published, drawn up in accordance with the form set out in Annex II to Implementing Regulation (EU) No 668/2014.



ANNEX VII

Communicating the approval of a standard amendment
(Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012)

1. Name of product

[as registered]

2. Third country to which the geographical area belongs

...

3. National authority or applicant group communicating the standard amendment

[Names, and references, of the single producer or group of producers having a legitimate interest or of the authorities of the third country, to which the geographical area belongs, communicating the amendment (see Article 49(5) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012). Names and references concerning natural persons shall not be included in this form and shall be sent to the Commission separately.]

4. Description of the approved amendment(s)

[Provide a description of the standard amendment(s) and a statement explaining why the amendment(s) fall under the definition of standard amendment as provided for in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012. Indicate whether the amendment leads or not to an amendment of the single document.]

5. Annexes

- 5.1. The decision approving the standard amendment.
- 5.2. The proof that the amendment is applicable in the third country.
- 5.3. The consolidated single document, as amended, where relevant.
- 5.4. A copy of the consolidated version of the product specification as published or the reference to the publication of the product specification.

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ANNEX VIII

Communicating the approval of a temporary amendment**(Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012)****1. Name of product**

[as registered]

2. Third country to which the geographical area belongs

...

3. National authority or applicant group communicating the temporary amendment

[Names, and references, of the single producer or group of producers having a legitimate interest or of the authorities of the third country, to which the geographical area belongs, communicating the amendment (see Article 49(5) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012). Names and references concerning natural persons shall not be included in this form and shall be sent to the Commission separately.]

4. Description of the approved amendment(s)

[Provide a description of and the specific reasons for the temporary amendment(s) including the reference of the formal recognition of the natural disaster or adverse weather conditions by the competent authorities or of the imposition of obligatory sanitary and phytosanitary measures. Provide also a statement explaining why the amendment(s) fall under the definition of 'temporary amendment' as provided for in Article 53(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.]

5. Annexes

- 5.1. The decision of the competent authorities formally recognising the natural disaster or imposing obligatory sanitary and phytosanitary measures or the respective electronic publication references.
- 5.2. The decision approving the temporary amendment or the electronic publication reference.
- 5.3. The proof that the amendment is applicable in the third country



ANNEX IX

CANCELLATION REQUEST

Cancellation request in accordance with Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012

[Registered name:] ‘...’

EU No: [for EU use only]

[Select one, ‘X’:] ☐ PGI ☐ PDO ☐ TSG

1. Registered name proposed for cancellation

...

2. Member State or Third Country

...

3. Type of product [as in Annex XI]

...

4. Person or body making request for cancellation

[Provide name, address, telephone and e-mail address of the natural or legal person or of the producers referred to in Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 requesting cancellation (for requests concerning PDO and PGI from third countries provide also name and address of the authorities or, if available, bodies verifying compliance with the provision of the product specification). Provide also a statement explaining the legitimate interest of the natural or legal person requesting cancellation]

...

5. Type of cancellation and related reasons

☐ In accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012

☐ point (a)

[Provide the detailed reasons and, where appropriate, evidence for the cancellation of the registration of the name in accordance with point (a) of first subparagraph of Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.]

☐ point (b)

[Provide the detailed reasons and, where appropriate, evidence for the cancellation of the registration of the name in accordance with point (b) of first subparagraph of Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.]

☐ In accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012

[Provide the detailed reasons and, where appropriate, evidence for the cancellation of the registration of the name in accordance with the second subparagraph of Article 54(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.]

*ANNEX X***REPRODUCTION OF THE UNION SYMBOLS AND INDICATIONS FOR
PDO PGI TSG****1. Union symbols in colour**

When used in colours, direct colours (Pantone) or four-colour process may be used. The reference colours are indicated below.

Union symbols in pantone:



Pantone[®] 711



Pantone[®]
Yellow 109



Pantone[®]
Reflex Blue



Pantone[®]
Yellow 109

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Pantone®
Reflex Blue



Pantone®
Yellow 109

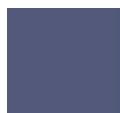
Union symbols in four-colour process:



100 % magenta
80 % yellow



10 % magenta
90 % yellow



100 % cyan
80 % magenta



10 % magenta
90 % yellow

▼B

100 % cyan
80 % magenta



10 % magenta
90 % yellow

Contrast with background colours

If a symbol is used in colour on a coloured background, which makes it difficult to see, a delimiting outer circle around the symbol should be used to improve contrast with the background:

▼C1**▼B**

2. Union symbols in black and white

Use of the symbols in black and white is allowed only when black and white are the only ink colours used on the package.

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When used in black and white Union symbols are reproduced as follows:



Union symbols in black and white in negative

If the background of the packaging or labelling is dark, the symbols may be used in negative format as follows:

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▼B**3. Typography**

Times Roman capitals must be used for the text.

4. Reduction

The minimum size of the Union symbols is 15 mm in diameter, however, it may be reduced to 10 mm in case of small packages or products.

5. ‘Protected Designation of Origin’ and its abbreviation in EU languages

EU Language | Term | Abbreviation |

BG | защитено наименование за произход | ЗНП |

ES | denominación de origen protegida | DOP |

CS | chráněné označení původu | CHOP |

DA | beskyttet oprindelsesbetegnelse | BOB |

DE | geschützte Ursprungsbezeichnung | g.U. |

ET | kaitstud päritolunimetus | KPN |

EL | προστατευόμενη ονομασία προέλευσης | ΠΟΠ |

EN | protected designation of origin | PDO |

FR | appellation d'origine protégée | AOP |

GA | bunús ainmníochta cosanta | BAC |

HR | zaštićena oznaka izvornosti | ZOI |

IT | denominazione d'origine protetta | DOP |

LV | aizsargāts cilmes vietas nosaukums | ACVN |

LT | saugoma kilmės vietos nuoroda | SKVN |

HU | oltalom alatt álló eredetmegjelölés | OEM |

MT | denominazzjoni protetta ta' oriġini | DPO |

NL | beschermde oorsprongsbenaming | BOB |

PL | chroniona nazwa pochodzenia | CHNP |

PT | denominação de origem protegida | DOP |

RO | denumire de origine protejată | DOP |

SK | chránené označenie pôvodu | CHOP |

SL | zaščitena označba porekla | ZOP |

FI | suojattu alkuperäimitys | SAN |

SV | skyddad ursprungsbeteckning | SUB |

6. ‘Protected Geographical Indication’ and its abbreviation in EU languages

EU Language | Term | Abbreviation |

BG | защитено географско указание | ЗГУ |

ES | indicación geográfica protegida | IGP |

CS | chráněné zeměpisné označení | CHZO |

DA | beskyttet geografisk betegnelse | BGB |

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DE	geschützte geografische Angabe g.g.A.
ET	kaitstud geograafiline tähis KGT
EL	προστατευόμενη γεωγραφική ένδειξη ΠΓΕ
EN	protected geographical indication PGI
FR	indication géographique protégée IGP
GA	sonra geografach cosanta SGC
HR	zaštićena oznaka zemljopisnog podrijetla ZOZP
IT	indicazione geografica protetta IGP
LV	aizsargāta ģeogrāfiskās izcelsmes norāde AĢIN
LT	saugoma geografinė nuoroda SGN
HU	oltalom alatt álló földrajzi jelzés OFJ
MT	indikazzjoni ġeografika protetta IĠP
NL	beschermde geografische aanduiding BGA
PL	chronione oznaczenie geograficzne CHOG
PT	indicação geográfica protegida IGP
RO	indicație geografică protejată IGP
SK	chránené zemepisné označenie CHZO
SL	zaščitena geografska označba ZGO
FI	suojattu maantieteellinen merkintä SMM
SV	skyddad geografisk beteckning SGB

7. ‘Traditional Speciality Guaranteed’ and its abbreviation in EU languages

EU language	Term	Abbreviation
BG	храна с традиционно специфичен характер	XTCX
ES	especialidad tradicional garantizada	ETG
CS	zaručená tradiční specialita	ZTS
DA	garanteret traditionel specialitet	GTS
DE	garantiert traditionelle Spezialität g.t.S.	
ET	garanteeritud traditsiooniline toode	GTT
EL	εγγυημένο παραδοσιακό ιδίotypo προϊόν	Ε Π Ι Π
EN	traditional speciality guaranteed	TSG
FR	spécialité traditionnelle garantie	STG
GA	speisialtacht thraidisiúnta ráthaithe	STR
HR	zajamčeno tradicionalni specijalitet	ZTS
IT	specialità tradizionale garantita	STG
LV	garantēta tradicionālā īpatnība	GTI
LT	garantuotas tradicinis gaminys	GTG

▼B

HU | hagyományos különleges termék | HKT |
MT | speċjalità tradizzjonali garantita | STG |
NL | gegarandeerde traditionele specialiteit | GTS |
PL | gwarantowana tradycyjna specjalność | GTS |
PT | especialidade tradicional garantida | ETG |
RO | specialitate tradițională garantată | STG |
SK | zaručená tradičná špecialita | ZTŠ |
SL | zajamčena tradicionalna posebnost | ZTP |
FI | aito perinteinen tuote | APT |
SV | garanterad traditionell specialitet | GTS |



ANNEX XI

CLASSIFICATION OF PRODUCTS

1. Agricultural products intended for the human consumption listed in Annex I to the Treaty

- Class 1.1. Fresh meat (and offal)
- Class 1.2. Meat products (cooked, salted, smoked, etc.)
- Class 1.3. Cheeses
- Class 1.4. Other products of animal origin (eggs, honey, various dairy products except butter, etc.)
- Class 1.5. Oils and fats (butter, margarine, oil, etc.)
- Class 1.6. Fruit, vegetables and cereals fresh or processed
- Class 1.7. Fresh fish, molluscs, and crustaceans and products derived therefrom
- Class 1.8. other products listed in Annex I to the Treaty (spices etc.)

2. Agricultural products and foodstuffs referred to in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012

I. Designations of Origin and Geographical indications

- Class 2.1. beer,
- Class 2.2. chocolate and derived products,
- Class 2.3. bread, pastry, cakes, confectionery, biscuits and other baker's wares
- Class 2.4. beverages made from plant extracts,
- Class 2.5. pasta,
- Class 2.6. salt,
- Class 2.7. natural gums and resins,
- Class 2.8. mustard paste,
- Class 2.9. hay,
- Class 2.10. essential oils,
- Class 2.11. cork,
- Class 2.12. cochineal,
- Class 2.13. flowers and ornamental plants,
- Class 2.14. cotton,
- Class 2.15. wool,
- Class 2.16. wicker,
- Class 2.17. scutched flax,

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- Class 2.18. leather,
- Class 2.19. fur,
- Class 2.20. feather,

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- Class 2.21. aromatised wines as defined in Article 3(2) of Regulation (EU) No 251/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾,
 - Class 2.22. other alcoholic beverages,
 - Class 2.23. beeswax.
- II. Traditional specialities guaranteed
- Class 2.24. prepared meals,
 - Class 2.25. beer,
 - Class 2.26. chocolate and derived products,
 - Class 2.27. bread, pastry, cakes, confectionery, biscuits and other baker's wares,
 - Class 2.28. beverages made from plant extracts,
 - Class 2.29. pasta,
 - Class 2.30. salt.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) No 251/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of aromatised wine products and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91 (OJ L 84, 20.3.2014, p. 14).