

ACT AMENDING FOOD ACT , 7.11.2014/881

By decision of Parliament

section 3, subsection 1, paragraph 20; section 6, paragraph 31; and title of chapter 6 a of the Food Act (23/2006), section 3, subsection 1, paragraph 20 as amended by Act 365/2013 and section 6, paragraph 31 and title of chapter 6 a as amended by Act 503/2014, shall be amended, and

new paragraphs 21—23 to section 3, subsection 1 as it is in Acts 352/2011 and 365/2013, a new paragraph 32 to section 6 as amended in part by Acts 1137/2008, 352/2011, 365/2013 and 503/2014, and new sections 54 d and 54 e to the Act shall be added as follows:

Section 3

European Union legislation

This Act also applies to the implementation of the following European Union legal instruments concerning food and food control, and to statutes issued under them, in so far as their implementation is not governed by other legislation:

20) **Council Regulation (EC) No 1224/2009 establishing a Community control system for ensuring compliance with the rules of the common fisheries policy, amending Regulations (EC) No 847/96, (EC) No 2371/2002, (EC) No 811/2004, (EC) No 768/2005, (EC) No 2115/2005, (EC) No 2166/2005, (EC) No 388/2006, (EC) No 509/2007, (EC) No 676/2007, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 1300/2008, (EC) No 1342/2008 and repealing Regulations (EEC) No 2847/93, (EC) No 1627/94 and (EC) No 1966/2006, hereafter the Fisheries Policy Control Regulation;**

21) Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs, hereafter the Quality Scheme Regulation;

22) Regulation (EU) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1576/89 No 110/2008;

23) **Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91 laying down general rules on the definition, description and presentation of aromatized wines, aromatized wine-based drinks and aromatized wine-product cocktails.**

Section 6

Definitions

In this Act:

31) *controlled housing conditions* mean controlled housing conditions defined in Article 1(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2075/2005 laying down specific rules on official controls for Trichinella in meat, hereafter the Trichinella Regulation;

32) *PDO/PGI/TSG product* means products with a protected designation of origin or protected geographical indication for agricultural products and foodstuffs and traditional specialities guaranteed products referred to in the Quality Schemes Regulation.

Chapter 6 a

Quality schemes for food and officially recognized controlled housing conditions

Section 54 d

Registration of a PDO/PGI/TSG product

Provisions on the conditions for the registration of PDO/PGI/TSG products, operators eligible to apply for such registration, processing of applications and the related opposition procedure,

European Commission powers to grant and cancel such registration, and the use, protection and control of a PDO/PGI/TSG product are laid down in the Quality Schemes Regulation. The Finnish Agency for Rural Affairs processes the application for the registration of a PDO/PGI/TSG product, organises the national objection procedure, and decides on the fulfilment of the conditions for registration in Finland subject to conditions laid down in the Quality Schemes Regulation. If the conditions are fulfilled, the Finnish Agency for Rural Affairs publishes the decision and submits the application to the European Commission. Further provisions on the application for registration and how the objection procedure is to be organised and the applications and decisions published may be issued by Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

Section 54 e

Notification of the manufacture of a registered PDO/PGI/TSG product

A food business operator that manufactures a PDO/PGI/TSG product shall notify the control authority referred to in sections 30—32 of the name and place of manufacture of the product before placing the product on the market. The control authority shall be notified without delay of the interruption or termination of the manufacture.

Further provisions on the operators subject to the notification obligation, information to be included in the notifications and how the notifications are to be provided may be issued by Decree of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry.

This Act enters into force on 1 January 2015.

Provisions in force upon the entry into force of this Act shall apply to matters pending upon the entry into force of this Act. Food business operators that upon the entry into force of the Act manufacture registered PDO/PGI/TSG products shall provide the notification referred to in section 54 e, subsection 1 by the end of 2015.