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4. 2026/0403/BG - C50A - Foodstuffs

5. Draft Regulation on the requirements for the marketing of eggs

6. Eggs laid by hens of the Gallus gallus species

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8. The adoption of the draft Regulation on the requirements for the marketing of eggs aims to harmonise the national requirements related to the marketing standards for the placing of table eggs on the market with European Union law, as well as to incorporate certain national measures necessary for the development of the sector in the area.

9. The draft Regulation on the requirements for the marketing of eggs lays down the conditions and procedures for

the grading, categorisation, storage and marking of eggs laid by hens of the Gallus gallus species. Requirements for the packing of eggs and marking the packages, both during transportation and when they are offered to the consumer, have been included. The derogations from Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/2465 providing for exemptions from the marking obligation for eggs when delivered directly to the food industry, as well as for cross-border deliveries, where a contract has been concluded between a production site and a packing centre,

one of which is located in another Member State, and other derogations have been laid down. The draft act contains provisions relating to packing centres, collectors

and egg producers. Requirements for the training of egg-grading undertakings have been included.

In view of the technological advances, a provision has been made for egg grading

to be carried out using automated systems as well. The draft Regulation lays down the conditions and procedures for carrying out inspections by the Bulgarian Food Safety Agency

as the official control authority. The draft act also contains provisions on the procedure for collecting data on the average purchase and sale price of eggs for consumption, which the Ministry of Agriculture and Food should report to the European Commission on a weekly basis.

The draft Regulation on the requirements for the marketing of eggs also contains certain national measures relating primarily to:

- Laying down requirements for the placing of table eggs produced in farms rearing between 50 and 350 laying hens on the market. The obligations relating to the marking of eggs from these farms and the way in which the producer code on the egg shell, which informs the consumer of the method of rearing the poultry, is to be generated, have been laid down. Requirements have also been laid down for establishments rearing between 50 and 350 laying hens for the purpose of supplying table eggs to the market;

- Introduction of specific requirements for the production of table eggs laid by breeding hens. Eggs produced in these holdings and intended for direct consumption comply with the quality characteristics stemming from European Union law, as well as with some additional characteristics. These may be traded within the country, subject to additional restrictions regarding the temperature at which they are stored, as well as a ban on cleaning them with water, chemicals or disinfectants. The method for

generating the producer code for farms rearing breeding hens and placing table eggs on the market has been specified, along with an explanation of this code for consumers.

The requirements to be met by establishments rearing breeding hens and offering eggs for direct consumption

have also been laid down.

Furthermore, more flexible conditions as regards the requirement

to store eggs under a certain temperature regime, which should not exceed +23,0 °C,

have been introduced as a national measure. Eggs should be stored and transported

until the time of sale to the final consumer under optimal constant temperature that ensures

the conservation of their quality and hygiene properties, and each operator is obliged to develop and implement

written procedures that ensure compliance with the requirements.

9a. The implementation of the Regulation on the requirements for the marketing of eggs is expected to improve

the conditions related to marketing standards for table eggs,

including through the introduction of certain national measures.

9b. At present, the conditions and procedures governing the supply, storage,

transport, grading, marking and packaging of eggs with a view to their placing on the market

are laid down in Regulation No 1 of 2008 on the requirements for the marketing of eggs (published in the State Gazette (SG), issue

7/2008), which contains the requirements stemming from European Union law.

The regulations laying down detailed rules on the marketing standards for eggs have been repealed and

new ones adopted. The key legislation in this area is Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/2465

of 17 August 2023 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and

of the Council as regards marketing standards for eggs, and repealing Commission Regulation (EC)

No 589/2008

(OJ L 2465, 8.11.2023) (Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/2465) and Commission Implementing Regulation

(EU) 2023/2466 of 17 August 2023 laying down rules for the

application of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards

marketing standards for eggs (OJ L 2466, 8.11.2023). It is therefore necessary to update

the secondary legislation in order to harmonise the national requirements related to

the marketing standards for table eggs with

European Union law.

9c. The adoption of the new Regulation repeals the current Regulation No 1 of 2008

on the requirements for the marketing of eggs. The draft act lays down the obligations relating to

the marketing of table eggs by reference to the applicable

European regulations. A review of the legal relations in the field of trade in eggs has been carried out,

including some national measures for the development of

poultry farming.

The draft regulation has undergone a coordination procedure in accordance with the provisions of the Rules on the drafting and

coordination of draft acts in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

The appropriate remarks and suggestions made have been taken into consideration.

10. References of the Basic Texts: There is no main text

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13. No

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TBT aspects: No

SPS aspects: No

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