# Clause on selected impacts

| **1. Basic information** | | |
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| **Title of the document** | | |
| Draft Regulation of the Government of the Slovak Republic amending Regulation of the Government of the Slovak Republic No 360/2011 laying down sanitary requirements for the direct sale and supply of small quantities of primary products of plant and animal origin and the supply of milk and milk products to the final consumer and other retail establishments, as amended by Regulation of the Government of the Slovak Republic No 100/2016 (hereinafter ‘draft Government Regulation’) | | |
| **Submitter (and co-submitter)** | | |
| Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic | | |
| **Nature of the submitted document** | ☐ | Document of a non-legislative nature |
| | ☒ | Document of a legislative nature |
| | ☒ | Transposition/implementation of EU law |
| *In case of transposition/implementation, please provide a list of transposed/implemented legislation:* Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001, and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013), as amended. | | |

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| **Start and end dates of the preliminary consultation exercise** | *May 2025* |
| **Expected date of submission for the consultation exercise** | *August 2025* |
| **Expected start and end dates of final assessment**** | |
| **Expected date of submission to a session of the Government of the Slovak Republic*** | *May 2026* |

**2. Definition of the issue**

*Please specify the basic issues that justify developing the submitted document (the reasons should indicate precisely the problem that exists and needs to be addressed by the submitted document).*

The draft Government Regulation was drawn up on the basis of the Policy Statement of the Government of the Slovak Republic for the period 2023–2027, in which the Government of the Slovak Republic undertook to use all available legal and economic instruments to support the direct sale of local food from the farm to the final consumer while maintaining the necessary requirements for food safety and quality.

The draft Government Regulation revises the limits for small quantities of fish, processed fish, and eggs, is supplemented to include products that producers may sell to the final consumer or supply to local retail establishments, and also revises certain conditions for the supply of small quantities to the final consumer or to a local retail establishment.

**3. Objectives and the desired outcome**

*Please specify the main objectives of the submitted document (what is the end goal that is to be achieved by adopting the document; the goal achieved must be different from that described in point 2. Definition of the issue).*

The aim of the draft Government Regulation is to increase the quantity of fish, processed fish, and eggs that small-scale producers can supply to local retail establishments that serve the final consumer.

The result will be that small-scale producers will be able to sell larger volumes of their own production.

**4. Stakeholders**

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| *Please specify the parties directly or indirectly affected by the changes in the submitted document:*<br>Natural persons supplying small quantities to the final consumer or to a local retail establishment, final consumers, retail establishments. |
| **5. Alternative solutions** |
| *What alternative solutions leading to the stated objective have been identified and assessed to address the identified issue?*<br><br>No alternative solutions were considered. The submitter has used all the options provided by European legislation to enable the sale of domestically produced products at the local level.<br><br>*Zero option – please specify the consequences of not implementing the changes proposed in the submitted document and the alternative solutions/methods of achieving the objectives set out in point 3.*<br>Slovak growers and breeders – natural persons – would not be able to make use of all available opportunities to sell their own production and products. |
| **6. Implementing legislation** |
| *Is implementing legislation expected to be adopted/amended?* ☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**<br>*If so, please specify which areas will be governed by this legislation or which implementing legislation will be affected:* |
| **7. Transposition/implementation of EU law** |
| *Please specify whether the draft legislation involves gold-plating according to the correlation table or whether gold-plating occurs in the context of implementation of EU law.*<br>☐ **Yes** ☒ **No**<br><br>*If so, please specify which impacts under point 9 are subject to gold-plating:* |
| **8. Expediency review** |
| *Please specify the date by which the effectiveness and expediency of the submitted document should be reviewed.*<br>*Please specify the criteria on the basis of which the review will be conducted.*<br>Within three years of the entry into force of the draft Government Regulation. The review criterion will be the quantity of products sold for which the original upper limit of the supplied quantity has been increased. |

* to be completed only if the document is not included in the Work Plan of the Government of the Slovak Republic or the Plan of Legislative Tasks of the Government of the Slovak Republic.
** to be completed only if the final assessment of the selected impacts has been carried out in accordance with point 9.1 of the Uniform Methodology.
*** the assessment relates only to changes in Pillar I and Pillar II of the universal pension scheme with an identified impact of 0.1% of GDP (inclusive) in the long term.

| **9. Selected impacts of the document** | | | | | | |
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| **Impacts on the general government budget** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| of which impacts covered by the budget, in case of identified negative impact | ☐ | Yes | ☐ | No | ☐ | Partial |
| **including impacts on the budgets of municipalities and higher territorial units** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| of which impacts covered by the budget, in case of identified negative impact | ☐ | Yes | ☐ | No | ☐ | Partial |
| Impact on the long-term sustainability of public finances for selected measures *** | ☐ | Yes | | | ☒ | No |
| **Impacts on the public expenditure limit** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| **Impacts on the business environment** | ☒ | **Positive** | ☐ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |

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| of which impacts on SMEs | ☒ | Positive | ☐ | None | ☐ | Negative |
| Bureaucracy and cost reduction mechanism is applied: | ☐ | Yes | | | ☒ | No |
| **Social impacts** | ☒ | **Positive** | ☐ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| **Environmental impacts** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| The document is assessed under Act No 24/2006 on environmental impact assessment and amending certain acts, as amended | ☐ | Yes | | | ☐ | No |
| **Impacts related to information society** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| **Impacts on public administration services for the citizen, of which impacts of public administration services on the citizen** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| **impacts on service processes in public administration** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |
| **Impacts on marriage, parenthood and family** | ☐ | **Positive** | ☒ | **None** | ☐ | **Negative** |

**10. Notes**

*If necessary, provide additional information on the identified impacts and their analyses.*

*If the submitted material has a marginal (negligible) impact on any of the areas covered in point 9 and for this reason it is marked as no impact, please provide the facts explaining why this impact is marginal (negligible).*

*The information in this section is used to summarise the impacts or to comment on marginal impacts and not as a substitute for the preparation of appropriate analyses of selected impacts.*

*If the document is assessed under Act No 24/2006 on environmental impact assessment and amending certain acts, as amended, please provide a web link to this process.*

**11. Contact details of the author**

*Please provide the details of the person who can be contacted with regard to the assessment of selected impacts.*

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**12. Sources**

*Please specify the sources (statistics, surveys, cooperation with experts, etc.) on which you relied when preparing the document and drafting the clause and impact analyses. If the data needed to prepare the relevant analyses of selected impacts are unavailable, please indicate this fact.*

**13. Opinion of the Commission on the assessment of selected impacts from preliminary consultation exercise No 082/2025**
(if carried out pursuant to point 8.1 of the Uniform Methodology)

☐ **Agree** ☐ **Agree with a proposal for revision** ☒ **Disagree**

**Please provide comments from the Commission's opinion in Part II, together with your assessment:**

**Regarding the clause on selected impacts**

When completing the clause on selected impacts, the Commission requires that the submitter use the current version of the clause valid from 1 October 2023.

**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

The Commission requires that the submitter indicate, in the clause on selected impacts under point 1 'Basic information', in the part 'Nature of the submitted document', that the document is a transposition/implementation of EU law.
Grounds: Due to the fact that the document implements Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013), as amended (hereinafter 'Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013'), it is necessary to select both options – 'Document of a legislative nature' and 'Transposition/implementation of EU law'.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

The Commission proposes revising Part 2 'Definition of the issue' and Part 3 'Objectives and desired outcome' of the clause on the selected impacts.
Grounds: In Parts 2 and 3, the submitter does not specify the problems addressed by the document or the objectives to be achieved. Only information about what the document contains and on what basis it was prepared has been provided; this is insufficient as regards the required content of these points.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

The Commission recommends that, in Part 8 'Expediency review' of the clause on selected impacts, the criteria for assessing the expediency of the submitted document be added.
Grounds: Expediency reviews are scheduled after a certain period of time to assess whether, and on the basis of what criteria, the objective has been achieved.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

The Commission requires that the submitter indicate, in the clause on selected impacts under point 9 'Selected impacts of document' of the clause on selected impacts, the positive impact on the business environment, including SMEs.
Grounds: By revising the limits on small quantities of fish and processed fish (increasing the limit on the quantity of freshwater fish that may be sold) that primary producers may sell to the final consumer, opportunities are created for the sale of additional products, which will have a positive impact, particularly on retail establishments and the farmers themselves.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

The Commission recommends that, in Part 11 'Contact details of the author' of the clause on selected impacts, the role of the contact person be added.
Grounds: This is required as defined in the Uniform Methodology for the Assessment of Selected Impacts – provide the first name, last name, and role of the author together with an email address and phone number.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

**Regarding impacts on the business environment**
The Commission requires that the submitter prepare the 'Analysis of impacts on the business environment' in part 3.4.
Grounds: By revising the limits on small quantities of fish and processed fish (increasing the limit on the quantity of freshwater fish that may be sold) that primary producers may sell to the final consumer, opportunities are created for the sale of additional products, which will have a positive impact, particularly on retail establishments and the farmers themselves. The Commission requires that this impact be described qualitatively in part 3.4.

**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

**Regarding the impact on the general government budget**
From a formal point of view, the Commission notes that the clause on selected impacts must be drafted in accordance with the Uniform Methodology for the Assessment of Selected Impacts effective from 1 October 2023; therefore, point 9 of the clause on selected impacts must also include information on the impact of the document on the limit for public expenditure. At the same time, the Commission notes that, if no impacts of the document on the general government budget and on the budgets of municipalities and higher territorial units have been identified, budgetary cover should not be indicated in point 9 of the clause on selected impacts.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

**Regarding social impacts**
The Commission recommends moving the text from point 4.1 'Identify, describe and quantify the impact on household economy and specify the groups of households that will be affected positively/negatively' to point 4.2.a).
Grounds:
Under the Uniform Methodology for the Assessment of Selected Impacts, this is a technical amendment. The legislation in question has social impacts which need to be assessed in the social impact analysis, in particular under point 4.2. – impacts on access to resources, rights, goods and services.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

The Commission also recommends that the 'Methodological procedure for social impact analysis' be removed from the analysis.
**Evaluation: Comment accepted**

**14. Opinion of the Commission on the assessment of selected impacts from final assessment No ...../2025** (if carried out pursuant to point 9.1 of the Uniform Methodology)

☐ **Agree** ☐ **Agree with a proposal for revision** ☐ **Disagree**

**Please provide comments from the Commission's opinion in Part II, together with your assessment:**