



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Directorate F – Outreach, Research & Geographical Indications
The Director

Brussels
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**Subject : Request of interpretation of Article 27 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143,
use of geographical indications designating a product used as an
ingredient in the name of a processed product**

Dear Madam,

Thank you for your email of 20 May 2024 requesting a transitional period for the application of the provision under Article 27 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 ⁽¹⁾.

Article 27 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 provides neither a transitional period nor an empowerment for the Commission to adopt transitional rules for the application of paragraph 1. Therefore, the rules provided in that paragraph apply immediately on the day of entry into force of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143, that is 13 May 2024. As regards producers already using the name of a GI in their product name, label or advertisement, the new provisions do not imply that they should cease production until the publication of the name and address of a potential recognised producer group. They must however comply without undue delay with the three conditions listed in Article 27(1) of Regulation (EU) 2024/1143.

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 11 April 2024, on geographical indications for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, as well as traditional specialities guaranteed and optional quality terms for agricultural products, amending Regulations (EU) No 1308/2013, (EU) 2019/787 and (EU) 2019/1753 and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012.

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As regards the mechanism of notification of the recognised producer groups provided for in paragraph 2 of that Article, as long as the system of the recognised producer groups is not used in the concerned Member State in accordance with Article 33, that paragraph of Art 27 does not apply. Given the nature of this new provision, there will inevitably be a time lag between the entry into force of the Regulation (EU) 2024/1143 and the publication by the Commission of a list of recognised producer groups, and the implementation of the new notification obligation between producers of pre-existent prepacked processed food and GI recognised producer groups. Notification would be expected without undue delay once all the foregoing aspects are operational.

The above information is based solely on the facts set out in your email of 20 May 2024, expresses the view of the Commission services and does not commit the European Commission. In the event of a dispute involving Union law it is, under the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, ultimately for the Court of Justice of the European Union to provide a definitive interpretation of the applicable Union law.

Yours faithfully,



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