REGULATION (EEC) No 454/73 OF THE COMMISSION

of 31 January 1973

amending Regulation (EEC) No 1108/68 as regards the packaging of skimmed-milk powder offered to intervention agencies

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to the Treaty [1] concerning the Accession of new Member States to the European Economic Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, signed at Brussels on 22 January 1972, and in particular Article 63 of the Act [2] annexed thereto;

Whereas Annex I to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1108/68 [3] of 27 July 1968, on detailed rules of application for public storage of skimmed-milk powder, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2267/72 [4], lays down the criteria to which packaging of skimmed milk offered to intervention agencies must conform; whereas the packings in use in the new Member States differ somewhat from these prescriptions; whereas the enterprises concerned should be enabled to adapt themselves to Community standards;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Milk and Milk Products;

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Note 1 to point 2 'packing' in Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 1108/68 is replaced by the following:

'1. However, until 30 September 1973, packings with the following characteristics may also be employed for skimmed-milk powder as referred to in Article 1:

(a) tendered in the United Kingdom:

(aa) 3 'kraft' paper bags, of a strength representing at least 80 grammes per sq m,
1 'poly-coated' 'kraft' paper bag, of a strength representing at least 75 grammes per sq m,
1 'wax-coated' 'kraft' paper bag, of a strength representing at least 80 grammes per sq m,

(bb) the bag is capped by a crepe paper tape and sealed by sewing with a double cotton stitch and a jute cord;

(b) tendered in Ireland:
4 'kraft' paper bags of a strength representing at least 80 grammes per sq m,
1 'poly-coated' 'kraft' paper bag of a strength representing at least 75 grammes per sq m,
1 polyethylene inner bag at least 0·06 mm thick, welded or double-bound;

(c) tendered in Denmark:
2 'kraft' paper bags, of a strength representing at least 95 grammes per sq m,
1 'poly-coated' 'kraft' paper bag, of a strength representing at least 70 grammes per sq m,
1 polyethylene inner bag at least 0·06 mm thick, welded or double-bound.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall apply from 1 February 1973.

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

Done at Brussels, 31 January 1973.

For the Commission
The President
François-Xavier ORTOLI

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(1) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 5.
(2) OJ No L 73, 27. 3. 1972, p. 14.
(3) OJ No L 184, 29. 7. 1968, p. 34.
(4) OJ No L 244, 27. 10. 1972, p. 22.