REGULATION (EEC) No 1098/74 OF THE COMMISSION

of 3 May 1974

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2637/70 as regards the period of validity of import licences for beef and veal

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 [1] of 27 June 1968 on the common organization of the market in beef and veal, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 187/73 [2], and in particular Article 15 (3) thereof;

Whereas at the present time the significant fall in beef and veal prices on Community markets is aggravated by an unfavourable economic situation on the world market; whereas the uncertainty arising from this situation threatens to disturb the proper functioning of the organization of the markets in beef and veal; whereas the period of validity of import licences as laid down in Article 38 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2637/70 [3] of 23 December 1970 on special detailed rules for the application of the system of import and export licences and advance fixing certificates for agricultural products, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 932/74 [4], is such as to prolong excessively the effects of the world market situation on the Community market;

Whereas in such circumstances the period of validity of import licences for beef and veal should be reduced until the situation returns to normal;

Whereas the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the Opinion of the Management Committee for Beef and Veal,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following shall be substituted for Article 38 (2) of Regulation (EEC) No 2637/70:

'2. The period of validity of import licences as referred to in Article 15 of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be as follows:

(a) 45 days for frozen meat;

(b) 35 days for products other than those specified in (a) being products originating in and coming from third countries outside Europe;

(c) 10 days for products other than those specified in (a) being products originating in and coming from third countries within Europe.

Every such period of validity shall run from the date for issue of the licence within the meaning of Article 8 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1373/70.

However, licences giving entitlement to the special import arrangements provided for in Article 14 (3) (b) (bb) of Regulation (EEC) No 805/68 shall be valid for 90 days from their actual date of issue.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 7 May 1974.

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

Done at Brussels, 3 May 1974.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

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[1] OJ No L 148, 28. 6. 1968, p. 24.
[2] OJ No L 25, 30. 1. 1973, p. 23.
[3] OJ No L 283, 29. 12. 1970, p. 15.
[4] OJ No L 107, 20. 4. 1974, p. 12.