REGULATION (EEC) No 918/74 OF THE COMMISSION

of 18 April 1974

applying quality classes 'III' to certain fruit for the 1974/75 marketing year

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community;

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72 [1] of 18 May 1972 on the common market organization of the market in fruit and vegetables, as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2745/72 [2], and in particular Article 4 (1) thereof;

Whereas Council Regulation No 211/66/EEC [3] of 14 December 1966 added a class 'III' to the common quality standards for peaches and table grapes; whereas a class was added to the common quality standards for cherries and strawberries by Council Regulation (EEC) No 1194/69 [4]; whereas Commission Regulation (EEC) No 379/71 [5] of 19 February 1971 laying down the common quality standards for citrus fruit and Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1641/71 [6] of 27 July 1971 laying down quality standards for dessert apples and pears amended by Regulation (EEC) No 1833/73 [7], defined a Class 'III' for these products;

Whereas, pursuant to Article 4 (1) of Regulation (EEC) No 1035/72, the quality classes 'III' may be applied only if the products concerned are needed to meet consumer demand; whereas this appears to be the case at present for lemons, table grapes, cherries and strawberries; whereas, in view of the considerable fluctuations in production from one marketing year to another, the period of application of the quality classes 'III' should be limited;

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

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The classes 'III' provided for in the common quality standards shall apply to the products listed in the Annex to this Regulation and, for each of them, for the periods mentioned therein.

Article 2

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

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

Done at Brussels, 18 April 1974.

For the Commission

The President

François-Xavier ORTOLI

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(1) OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 291, 28. 12. 1972, p. 147.
(3) OJ No 233, 20. 12. 1966, p. 3939/66.
(4) OJ No L 157, 28. 6. 1969, p. 1.
(5) OJ No L 45, 24. 2. 1971, p. 1.
(6) OJ No L 172, 31. 7. 1971, p. 1.
(7) OJ No L 185, 7. 7. 1973, p. 17.

ANNEX

Lemons :	from 1 June 1974 to 31 May 1975
Table grapes :	from 1 May 1974 to 30 April 1975
Cherries :	from 1 May 1974 to 30 September 1974
Strawberries :	from 1 May 1974 to 30 November 1974