REGULATION (EEC) No 950/75 OF THE COMMISSION

of 11 April 1975

derogating in respect of the 1975 marketing year from the common quality standards for strawberries

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 organization of the market in fruit and vegetables as last amended by Regulation (EEC) No 2745/72 (2), and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 2 (3) thereof;

Whereas common quality standards for strawberries were laid down in Commission Regulation No 58 (3) of 15 June 1962;

Whereas there have been considerable advances in strawberry growing techniques, and in particular in the development of new varieties; whereas by reason of the increasing number of varieties it is becoming extremely difficult to make a distinction between large and small varieties; whereas the common quality standards ought to take account of these developments;

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

By way of derogation from the provisions of Section III of the common quality standards for strawberries, the minimum sizes shall be as follows:

'Extra' Class 25 mm

Class I from the beginning of the marketing year until 30 June, 15 mm

from 1 July until the end of the marketing year, 18 mm

No minimum size shall be required for wild strawberries.

Article 2

By way of derogation from the provisions of Section IV B, the 10 % tolerance shall apply solely to fruit not conforming to the minimum size laid down for the class in question.

Article 3

By way of derogation from the provisions of Section VI D, the marking of size and variety specifications on the packages shall be optional.

Article 4

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

It shall apply for the duration of the 1975 marketing year.

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

Done at Brussels, 11 April 1975.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

(1) OJ No L 118, 20. 5. 1972, p. 1.
(2) OJ No L 291, 28. 12. 1972, p. 147.
(3) OJ No 56, 7. 7. 1962, p. 1906/62.