COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2551/1999

of 2 December 1999

amending Regulation (EC) No 963/98 laying down marketing standards for cauliflower and artichokes

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2200/96 of 28 October 1996 on the common organisation of the market in fruit and vegetables ([1]), as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 ([2]), and in particular Article 2(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 963/98 ([3]) laying down marketing standards for cauliflower and artichokes provides in its Annex I provisions concerning the colour of cauliflower. Certain new varieties of cauliflower present different colours from the ones until now allowed to be marketed. The provisions concerning quality and marking of the standard for cauliflower should be amended;

(2) the measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Fresh Fruit and Vegetables,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 963/98 is amended as follows:

1. In title II (Provisions concerning quality), part B (Classification), footnote 1 is replaced by the following:

   '(1) However, the marketing of cauliflower of another colour is allowed provided they are characteristic of the chosen class and their colour is characteristic of the variety.'

2. In title VI (Provisions concerning marking), part B (Nature of produce), the second indent is replaced by the following:

   '— Name of the commercial type or variety for cauliflower of another colour mentioned by footnote (1) in title II, part B'

Article 2

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

It shall apply from the first day of the month following that of its entry into force.

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

Done at Brussels, 2 December 1999.

For the Commission

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([1]) OJ L 297, 21.11.1996, p. 1.
([2]) OJ L 160, 26.6.1999, p. 80.
([3]) OJ L 135, 8.5.1998, p. 18.