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REGULATIONS

COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1526/2007

of 17 December 2007

amending Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 26 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

(1) On 20 December 1996, the Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 [1]. Community demand for the products to which that Regulation applies should be met under the most favourable conditions. For that purpose from 1 January 2008 certain existing tariff quota volumes should be increased or reduced and some new Community tariff quotas should be opened at zero rates of duty for appropriate volumes, while avoiding any disturbance of the markets for those products.

(2) The quota volume for two Community tariff quotas is insufficient to meet the needs of Community industry for the current quota period ending at 31 December 2007. Consequently those volumes should be increased with effect from 1 January 2007.

(3) It is no longer in the Community interest to continue to grant Community tariff quotas in 2008 for certain products on which duties were suspended in 2007. These products should therefore be removed from the table in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96.

(4) In view of the many changes to be made, clarity requires Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 to be replaced in its entirety.

(5) Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(6) Having regard to the economic importance of this Regulation, it is necessary to rely on the grounds of urgency provided for in point 1,3 of the Protocol on the role of national parliaments in the European Union annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaties establishing the European Community.

(7) Since quota periods start on 1 January 2008, this Regulation should apply from the same date and enter into force immediately,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96 shall be replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

For the quota period from 1 January to 31 December 2007, in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96:

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2603 is fixed at 6 500 tonnes,

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2950 is fixed at 12 000 tonnes.

Article 3

With effect from 1 January 2008 in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96:

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2030 is fixed at 1 500 tonnes,

[1] OJ L 345, 31.12.1996, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 728/2007 (OJ L 166, 28.6.2007, p. 1).

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2603 is fixed at 6 500 tonnes,

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2624 is fixed at 600 tonnes,

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2907 is fixed at 2 500 tonnes,

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2914 is fixed at 5 000 tonnes,

— the quota volume of the tariff quota for order number 09.2950 is fixed at 12 000 tonnes.

Article 4

In Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 2505/96, tariff quotas for order numbers 09.2763, 09.2806, 09.2808, 09.2810, 09.2812, 09.2814, 09.2816 and 09.2818 shall be inserted with effect from 1 January 2008.

Article 5

Tariff quotas for order numbers 09.2610, 09.2612, 09.2625, 09.2627, 09.2809, 09.2882, 09.2904, 09.2919, 09.2920, 09.2979 and 09.2995 shall be closed with effect from 1 January 2008.

Article 6

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

It shall apply from 1 January 2008.

However, Article 2 shall apply from 1 January 2007.

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

Done at Brussels, 17 December 2007.

For the Council
The President
J. SILVA

ANNEX

Order No	CN code	TARIC	Description	Quota period	Quota volume	Quota duty
09.2849	ex 0710 80 69	10	Mushrooms of the species Auricularia polytricha (uncooked or cooked by steaming or boiling), frozen, for the manufacture of prepared meals (1) (2)	1.1.-31.12.	700 tonnes	0 %
09.2713	ex 2008 60 19 ex 2008 60 39	10 10	Sweet cherries, preserved in alcohol, of a diameter not exceeding 19,9 mm, stoned, for use in chocolate products: — with a sugar content exceeding 9 % by weight — with a sugar content not exceeding 9 % by weight (1)	1.1-31.12.	2 000 tonnes	10 % (3)
09.2719	ex 2008 60 19 ex 2008 60 39	20 20	Sour cherries (*Prunus cerasus*), preserved in alcohol, of a diameter not exceeding 19,9 mm, for use in chocolate products: — with a sugar content exceeding 9 % by weight — with a sugar content not exceeding 9 % by weight (1)	1.1.-31.12.	2 000 tonnes	10 % (3)
09.2913	ex 2401 10 41 ex 2401 10 49 ex 2401 10 50 ex 2401 10 70 ex 2401 10 90 ex 2401 20 41 ex 2401 20 49 ex 2401 20 50 ex 2401 20 70 ex 2401 20 90	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	Natural unmanufactured tobacco, whether or not cut in regular size, having a custom value of not less than EUR 450 per 100 kg net weight, for use as binder or wrapper for the manufacture of goods falling within subheading 2402 10 00 (1)	1.1-31.12.	6 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2841	ex 2712 90 99	10	Blend of 1-alkenes containing 80 % by weight or more of 1–alkenes of a chain-length of 20 and 22 carbon atoms	1.1.-31.12.	10 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2703	ex 2825 30 00	10	Vanadium oxides and hydroxides exclusively for use in alloys (1)	1.1-31.12.	13 000 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2806	ex 2825 90 40	30	Tungsten trioxide	1.1.-31.12.	12 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2611	ex 2826 19 90	10	Calcium fluoride having a total content of aluminium, magnesium and sodium of 0,25 mg/kg or less, in the form of powder	1.1.-31.12.	55 tonnes	0 %
09.2837	ex 2903 49 80	10	Bromochloromethane	1.1.-31.12.	600 tonnes	0 %
09.2933	ex 2903 69 90	30	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	1.1.-31.12.	2 600 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2950	ex 2905 59 10	10	2-Chloroethanol, for the manufacture of liquid thioplasts of subheading 4002 99 90 (1)	1.1.-31.12.	12 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2851	ex 2907 12 00	10	O-Cresol having a purity of not less than 98,5 % by weight	1.1.-31.12.	20 000 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2624	2912 42 00		Ethylvanillin (3-ethoxy-4-hydroxybenzaldehyde)	1.1.-31.12.	600 tonnes	0 %

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(*) 09.2972	2915 24 00		Acetic anhydride	1.1.-31.12.	20 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2618	ex 2918 19 85	40	(R)-2-Chloromandelic acid	1.1.-31.12.	100 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2808	ex 2918 22 00	10	*o*-Acetylsalicylic acid	1.1.-31.12.	120 tonnes	0 %
09.2975	ex 2918 30 00	10	Benzophenone-3,3':4,4'-tetracarboxylic dianhydride	1.1.-31.12.	600 tonnes	0 %
09.2602	ex 2921 51 19	10	o-Phenylenediamine	1.1.-31.12.	1 800 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2977	2926 10 00		Acrylonitrile	1.1.-30.6.2008	35 000 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2030	ex 2926 90 95	74	Chlorothalonil	1.1.-31.12.	1 500 tonnes	0 %
09.2002	ex 2928 00 90	30	Phenylhydrazine	1.1.-31.12.	1 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2917	ex 2930 90 13	90	Cystine	1.1.-31.12.	600 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2603	ex 2930 90 85	79	Bis(3-triethoxysilylpropyl)tetrasulfide	1.1.-31.12.	6 500 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2810	2932 11 00		Tetrahydrofuran	1.1-31.12.	20 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2955	ex 2932 19 00	60	Flurtamone (ISO)	1.1.-31.12.	300 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2812	ex 2932 29 85	77	Hexan-6-olide	1.1.-31.12.	3 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2615	ex 2934 99 90	70	Ribonucleic acid	1.1.-31.12.	110 tonnes	0 %
09.2619	ex 2934 99 90	71	2-Thienylacetonitrile	1.1.-31.12.	80 tonnes	0 %
09.2945	ex 2940 00 00	20	D-Xylose	1.1.-31.12.	400 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2908	ex 3804 00 90	10	Sodium lignosulphonate	1.1.-31.12.	56 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2889	3805 10 90		Sulphate turpentine	1.1.-31.12.	20 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2935	3806 10 10		Rosin and resin acids obtained from fresh oleoresins	1.1.-31.12.	200 000 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2814	ex 3815 90 90	76	Catalyst consisting of titanium dioxide and tungsten trioxide	1.1.-31.12.	800 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2829	ex 3824 90 97	19	Solid extract of the residual, insoluble in aliphatic solvents, obtained during the extraction of rosin from wood, having the following characteristics: — a resin acid content not exceeding 30 % by weight, — an acid number not exceeding 110 and — a melting point of 100 °C or more	1.1.-31.12.	1 600 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2914	ex 3824 90 97	26	Aqueous solution containing not less than 40 % by weight of dry betaine-extract and between 5 % and 30 % by weight of organic or inorganic salts	1.1.-31.12.	5 000 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2986	ex 3824 90 97	76	Mixture of tertiary amines containing: — 60 % by weight of dodecyldimethylamine, or more — 20 % by weight of dimethyl(tetradecyl)amine, or more — 0,5 % by weight of hexadecyldimethylamine, or more, for use in the production of amine oxides [1]	1.1-31.12.	14 315 tonnes	0 %

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(*) 09.2907	ex 3824 90 97	86	Mixture of phytosterols, in the form of powder, containing by weight: — 75 % or more of sterols, — not more than 25 % of stanols for use in the manufacture of stanol/sterol esters (1)	1.1.-31.12.	2 500 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2140	ex 3824 90 97	98	Mixture of tertiary amines containing by weight: — 2,0-4,0 % of N,N-dimethyl-1-octanamine — 94 % minimum of N,N-dimethyl-1-decanamine — 2 % maximum of N,N-dimethyl-1-dodecanamine	1.1.-31.12.	4 500 tonnes	0 %
09.2992	ex 3902 30 00	93	Propylene-butylene copolymer, containing by weight not less than 60 % but not more than 68 % of propylene and not less than 32 % but not more than 40 % of butylene, of a melt viscosity not exceeding 3 000 mPa at 190 °C, as determined by the ASTM D 3236 method, for use as an adhesive in the manufacture of products falling within subheading 4818 40 (1)	1.1.-31.12.	1 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2947	ex 3904 69 90	95	Poly(vinylidene fluoride), in powder form, for the preparation of paint or varnish for coating metal (1)	1.1.-31.12.	1 300 tonnes	0 %
09.2604	ex 3905 30 00	10	Poly(vinyl alcohol) partially acetalized with 5-(4-azido-2-sulfobenzylidene)-3-(formylpropyl)-rhodanine, sodium salt	1.1.-31.12.	100 tonnes	0 %
09.2616	ex 3910 00 00	30	Polydimethylsiloxane with a degree of polymerisation of 2 800 monomer units (± 100)	1.1.-31.12.	1 300 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2816	ex 3912 11 00	20	Cellulose acetate flakes for use in the manufacture of cellulose acetate filament tow (1)	1.1.-31.12.	22 500 tonnes	0 %
(*) 09.2818	ex 6902 90 00	10	Refractory bricks with — an edge length of more than 300 mm and — a TiO_2 content of no more than 1 % by weight and — a Al_2O_3 content of no more than 0,4 % by weight and — a change in volume of less than 9 % at 1 700 °C	1.1.-31.12.	75 tonnes	0 %
09.2628	ex 7019 52 00	10	Glass web woven from glass fibre coated in plastic, of a weight of 120 g/m^2 (± 10 g/m^2), of a type used in rolling insect screens with fixed frames	1.1.-31.12.	350 000 m^2	0 %
09.2799	ex 7202 49 90	10	Ferro-chromium containing 1,5 % or more but not more than 4 % by weight of carbon and not more than 70 % of chromium	1.1.-31.12.	50 000 tonnes	0 %
09.2629	ex 7616 99 90	85	Aluminium telescopic handle for use in the manufacture of luggage (1)	1.1.-31.12.	240 000 units	0 %

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(*) 09.2763	ex 8501 40 80	30	Electric AC commutator motor, single-phase, with an output exceeding 750 W, an input power of more than 1 600 W but not exceeding 2 700 W, an external diameter of more than 120 mm (± 0,2 mm) but not exceeding 135 mm (± 0,2 mm), a rated speed of more than 30 000 rpm but not exceeding 50 000 rpm, equipped with air-inducting ventilator, for use in the manufacture of vacuum cleaners (1)	1.1.-30.6.2008	1 150 000 units	0 %
09.2620	ex 8526 91 20	20	Assembly for GPS system having a position determination function	1.1.-31.12.	1 000 000 units	0 %
09.2003	ex 8543 70 90	63	Voltage controlled frequency generator, consisting of active and passive elements mounted on a printed circuit, contained in a housing whose dimensions do not exceed 30 × 30 mm	1.1.-31.12.	1 400 000 units	0 %

(1) Entry under this subheading is subject to conditions laid down in the relevant Community provisions (see Articles 291 to 300 of Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2454/93 — OJ L 253, 11.10.1993, p. 71 and subsequent amendments).

(2) However, the tariff quota is not allowed where processing is carried out by retail or catering undertakings.

(3) The specific additional duty is applicable.

(*) New or amended position.