COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 257/2012

of 22 March 2012

fixing the export refunds on beef and veal

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) ([1]), and in particular Article 164(2), and Article 170, in conjunction with Article 4 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 162(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 provides that the difference between prices on the world market for the products listed in Part XV of Annex I to that Regulation and prices for those products on the Union market may be covered by an export refund.

(2) Given the present situation on the market in beef and veal, export refunds should therefore be set in accordance with the rules and criteria provided for in Articles 162, 163, 164, 167, 168 and 169 of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007.

(3) Article 164(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 provides that the refund may vary according to destination, especially where the world market situation, the specific requirements of certain markets, or obligations resulting from agreements concluded in accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty make this necessary.

(4) Refunds should be granted only on products that are allowed to move freely in the Union and that bear the health mark as provided for in Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin ([2]). Those products must also satisfy the requirements laid down in Regulation (EC) No 852/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the hygiene of foodstuffs ([3]) and Regulation (EC) No 854/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 laying down specific rules for the organisation of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption ([4]).

(5) The third subparagraph of Article 7(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1359/2007 of 21 November 2007 laying down the conditions for granting special export refunds on certain cuts of boned meat of bovine animals ([5]) provides for a reduction of the special refund if the quantity of cuts of boned meat to be exported amounts to less than 95 %, but not less than 85 %, of the total weight of cuts produced by boning.

(6) The currently applicable refunds have been fixed by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1318/2011 ([6]). Since new refunds should be fixed, that Regulation should therefore be repealed.

(7) In order to prevent divergence with the current market situation, to prevent market speculation and to ensure efficient management, this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

(8) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for the Common Organisation of Agricultural Markets,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. Export refunds as provided for in Article 164 of Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 shall be granted on the products and for the amounts set out in the Annex to this Regulation subject to the conditions provided for in paragraph 2 of this Article.

2. The products eligible for a refund under paragraph 1 shall meet the relevant requirements of Regulations (EC) No 852/2004 and (EC) No 853/2004, and, in particular, shall be prepared in an approved establishment and comply with the health marking requirements laid down in Annex I, Section I, Chapter III to Regulation (EC) No 854/2004.

Article 2

In the case referred to in the third subparagraph of Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1359/2007, the rate of the refund on products falling within product code 0201 30 00 9100 shall be reduced by EUR 3,5/100 kg.

Article 3

Regulation (EU) No 1318/2011 is hereby repealed.

([1]) OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.
([2]) OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 55.
([3]) OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 1.
([4]) OJ L 139, 30.4.2004, p. 206.
([5]) OJ L 304, 22.11.2007, p. 21.
([6]) OJ L 334, 16.12.2011, p. 21.

Article 4

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

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

Done at Brussels, 22 March 2012.

For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
José Manuel SILVA RODRÍGUEZ
Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development

ANNEX

Export refunds on beef and veal applicable from 23 March 2012

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds
0102 21 10 9140	B00	EUR/100 kg live weight	12,9
0102 21 30 9140	B00	EUR/100 kg live weight	12,9
0102 31 00 9100	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	12,9
0102 31 00 9200	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	12,9
0102 90 20 9100	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	12,9
0102 90 20 9200	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	12,9
0201 10 00 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	18,3
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,8
0201 10 00 9130 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	24,4
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,4
0201 20 20 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	24,4
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	14,4
0201 20 30 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	18,3
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,8
0201 20 50 9110 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	30,5
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	17,9
0201 20 50 9130 (1)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	18,3
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,8
0201 30 00 9050	US (3)	EUR/100 kg net weight	3,3
	CA (4)	EUR/100 kg net weight	3,3
0201 30 00 9060 (6)	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,3
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	3,8
0201 30 00 9100 (2) (6)	B04	EUR/100 kg net weight	42,4
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	24,9
	EG	EUR/100 kg net weight	51,7
0201 30 00 9120 (2) (6)	B04	EUR/100 kg net weight	25,4
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	15,0
	EG	EUR/100 kg net weight	31,0

Product code	Destination	Unit of measurement	Refunds
0202 10 00 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	8,1
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	2,7
0202 20 30 9000	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	8,1
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	2,7
0202 20 50 9900	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	8,1
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	2,7
0202 20 90 9100	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	8,1
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	2,7
0202 30 90 9100	US ([3])	EUR/100 kg net weight	3,3
	CA ([4])	EUR/100 kg net weight	3,3
0202 30 90 9200 ([6])	B02	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,3
	B03	EUR/100 kg net weight	3,8
1602 50 31 9125 ([5])	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,6
1602 50 31 9325 ([5])	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,3
1602 50 95 9125 ([5])	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	11,6
1602 50 95 9325 ([5])	B00	EUR/100 kg net weight	10,3

N.B.: The product codes and the 'A' series destination codes are set out in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3846/87 (OJ L 366, 24.12.1987, p. 1).

The destination codes are set out in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 (OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19).

The other destinations are defined as follows:

B00: all destinations (third countries, other territories, victualling and destinations treated as exports from the Union).

B02: B04 and destination EG.

B03: Albania, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia, Kosovo (*), Montenegro, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, stores and provisions (destinations referred to in Articles 33 and 42, and if appropriate in Article 41, of Commission Regulation (EC) No 612/2009 (OJ L 186, 17.7.2009, p. 1).

B04: Turkey, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Israel, West Bank/Gaza Strip, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Yemen, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Myanmar (Burma), Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Philippines, China, North Korea, Hong Kong, Sudan, Mauritania, Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Chad, Cape Verde, Senegal, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Côte-d'Ivoire, Ghana, Togo, Benin, Nigeria, Cameroun, Central African Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Sao Tome Principe, Gabon, Congo, Congo (Democratic Republic), Rwanda, Burundi, Saint Helena and dependencies, Angola, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti, Somalia, Uganda, Tanzania, Seychelles and dependencies, British Indian Ocean Territory, Mozambique, Mauritius, Comoros, Mayotte, Zambia, Malawi, South Africa, Lesotho.

(*) As defined by United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 of 10 June 1999.

([1]) Entry under this subheading is subject to the submission of the certificate appearing in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) No 433/2007 (OJ L 104, 21.4.2007, p. 3).

([2]) The refund is granted subject to compliance with the conditions laid down in amended Commission Regulation (EC) No 1359/2007 (OJ L 304, 22.11.2007, p. 21), and, if applicable, in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1741/2006 (OJ L 329, 25.11.2006, p. 7).

([3]) Carried out in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1643/2006 (OJ L 308, 8.11.2006, p. 7).

([4]) Carried out in accordance with Commission Regulation (EC) No 1041/2008 (OJ L 281, 24.10.2008, p. 3).

([5]) The refund is granted subject to compliance with the conditions laid down in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1731/2006 (OJ L 325, 24.11.2006, p. 12).

([6]) The lean bovine meat content excluding fat is determined in accordance with the procedure described in the Annex to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2429/86 (OJ L 210, 1.8.1986, p. 39).

The term 'average content' refers to the sample quantity as defined in Article 2(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 765/2002 (OJ L 117, 4.5.2002, p. 6). The sample is to be taken from that part of the consignment presenting the highest risk.