COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2384/2002

of 30 December 2002

amending Regulation (EEC) No 2837/93 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2019/93 with regard to the maintenance of olive groves in traditional olive-growing areas

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2019/93 of 19 July 1993 introducing specific measures for the smaller Aegean islands concerning certain agricultural products [1], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 442/2002 [2], and in particular Article 11(2) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2837/93 [3], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2813/94 [4], lays down the conditions for the grant of the flat-rate aid per hectare for the maintenance of olive groves in traditional olive growing-areas of the smaller Aegean islands.

(2) There are grounds for adding to the eligibility criteria laid down in Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2837/93 a condition corresponding to Article 24(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2366/98 of 30 October 1998 laying down detailed rules for the application of the system of production aid for olive oil for the 1998/99, 1999/2000, 2000/01, 2001/02, 2002/03 and 2003/04 marketing years [5], as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 1249/2002 [6], which establishes the minimum size of the olive-growing parcel that can qualify for the aid for the production of olive oil.

(3) Regulation (EEC) No 2837/93 must therefore be amended.

(4) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Management Committee for Oils and Fats,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The following point is added to Article 1 of Regulation (EEC) No 2837/93:

'(e) that are of a minimum size as established by the second subparagraph of Article 24(1) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2366/98 (*).

(*) OJ L 293, 31.10.1998, p. 50.'

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th 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, 30 December 2002.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 184, 27.7.1993, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 68, 12.3.2002, p. 4.
[3] OJ L 260, 19.10.1993, p. 5.
[4] OJ L 298, 19.11.1994, p. 24.
[5] OJ L 293, 31.10.1998, p. 50.
[6] OJ L 183, 12.7.2002, p. 5.