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►**M2**	Council Directive 2002/54/EC of 13 June 2002	L 193	12	20.7.2002
►**M3**	Council Directive 2002/55/EC of 13 June 2002	L 193	33	20.7.2002
►**M4**	Council Directive 2002/56/EC of 13 June 2002	L 193	60	20.7.2002
►**M5**	Council Directive 2002/57/EC of 13 June 2002	L 193	74	20.7.2002

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►**C1** Consolidated text of corrigenda to instruments published in Special Editions 1952-72, p. 106 (72/418/EEC)

►**C2** Corrigendum, OJ L 232, 23.8.1997, p. 24 (72/418/EEC)

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and particularly Articles 43 and 100 thereof;

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission;

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament;

Having regard to the Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee;

Whereas, for the reasons set out hereunder, certain provisions of the Directives referred to below and last amended by the Directive of 20 July 1972 ([1]) should be amended: Council Directives of 14 June 1966 on the marketing of, respectively, beet seed, ([2]) fodder-crop seed, ([3]) cereal seed, ([4]) seed potatoes ([5]); Council Directive of 30 June 1969 on the marketing of oleaginous and fibrous plant seed ([6]); Council Directives of 29 September 1970 on the marketing of vegetable seed ([7]) and on the Common Catalogue of Varieties of Agricultural Plant Species ([8]);

Whereas it is necessary to provide that, in certain circumstances, bred seed of generations prior to basic seed and plants, admitted for marketing in the different Member States and in accordance with the aforesaid Directives, should no longer be subject to marketing restrictions between the Member States;

Whereas the application of the procedure provided for in the aforesaid Directives in order to remove temporary difficulties in the supply of basic seeds and plants or of certified seeds and plants has shown that these difficulties could be more easily overcome by admitting not only seeds and plants of an inferior quality, but also seeds and plants of varieties not included in the Common Catalogue of Varieties or in the national Catalogue of Varieties;

Whereas the application of the aforesaid Directives has given rise to difficulties during the importation of seeds and plants in the various Member States, because in each of them the descriptions required from the importer differ, whereas these descriptions should therefore be harmonised;

Whereas the particulars, in particular of quantities, which must appear on the label of certain seed species listed in the aforesaid Directives should be amended, and instead of a document inside the container, the use of an adhesive label for all species should be adopted;

Whereas seed intended for the production of plants for ornamental use should be excluded from the application of the Directive on the marketing of cereal seed, as in the case of the other similar Directives;

Whereas in the Directive on the marketing of seed potatoes the provisions on packing and grading require certain adjustments; whereas the

([1]) OJ No L 171, 29.7.1972, p. 37.
([2]) OJ No 125, 11.7.1966, p. 2290/66.
([3]) OJ No 125, 11.7.1966, p. 2298/66.
([4]) OJ No 125, 11.7.1966, p. 2309/66.
([5]) OJ No 125, 11.7.1966, p. 2320/66.
([6]) OJ No L 169, 10.7.1969, p. 3.
([7]) OJ No L 225, 12.10.1970, p. 7.
([8]) OJ No L 225, 12.10.1970, p. 1.