

INTRODUCTION	
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Regulations (EC) No. 834/2007 and Regulations (EC) No 889/2008					Manual de Normas Orgánicas ARGENCERT		EQUIVALENCE					
Par	Ch	Art.	no.	Item	Original text	Clause	English translation	Original Version	Yes	No	N/A	Justification
I					AIM, SCOPE AND DEFINITIONS							
I		1			Aim and scope							
I		1	1		This Regulation provides the basis for the sustainable development of organic production while ensuring the effective functioning of the internal market, guaranteeing fair competition, ensuring consumer confidence and protecting consumer interests. It establishes common objectives and principles to underpin the rules set out under this Regulation concerning:	Ch. 0 (1)	This Manual establishes the normative frame for all the stages of production, processing and labeling of organic products (also called biologic or ecologic products) ensuring the protection of the consumers interests.	Este Manual proporciona el respaldo normativo para todas las etapas de producción, elaboración y etiquetado de los productos orgánicos, ecológicos o biológicos, asegurando la protección de los intereses de los consumidores.	X			
I		1	1	(a)	all stages of production, preparation and distribution of organic products and their control;							
I		1	1	(b)	the use of indications referring to organic production in labelling and advertising.							
I		1	2		This Regulation shall apply to the following products originating from agriculture, including aquaculture, where such products are placed on the market or are intended to be placed on the market:	Ch. 0 (2)	This Manual will apply to all the operations related to the production and processing of live or unprocessed agricultural products, processed agricultural products for use as food, feed, vegetative propagating material and seeds.	Este Manual se aplicará a toda actividad de los operadores relacionadas con la producción y elaboración de productos agrarios vivos o no transformados, productos agrarios transformados, alimento para animales, material de reproducción vegetativa y semillas.	X			
I		1	2	(a)	live or unprocessed agricultural products;							
I		1	2	(b)	processed agricultural products for use as food;							
I		1	2	(c)	feed;							
I		1	2	(d)	vegetative propagating material and seeds for cultivation. The products of hunting and fishing of wild animals shall not be considered as organic production. This Regulation shall also apply to yeasts used as food or feed.							
I		1	3		The products of hunting and fishing of wild animals shall not be considered as organic production.	Ch. 0 (2)	Hunting and fishing of wild animals as well as other animal species but the ones mention in the glossary are excluded from the scope of this Manual	Se excluye del alcance de este Manual los productos de la caza y de la pesca de animales salvajes y especies ganaderas distintas a las mencionadas en el punto "producción animal" del Glosario	X			
I		1	4		This Regulation shall also apply to yeasts used as food or feed.	Ch. 0 (2)	Yeast used as food or feed, aquaculture products and seaweed are included.	Se incluye las levaduras destinadas al consumo humano o animal, productos originarios de la acuicultura, y las algas.	X			
I		1			Introductory provisions							
I		1	1		Subject matter and scope: This Regulation lays down specific rules on organic production, labelling and control in respect of products referred to in Article 1(2) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007.							
I		1	2		This Regulation shall not apply to the following products:							
I		1	2	(a)	products originating from aquaculture							
I		1	2	(b)	seaweed						X	Changed by 889/08
I		1	2	(c)	livestock species other than those referred to in Article 7							
I		1	2		However, Title II, Title III and Title IV shall apply mutatis mutandis to products referred to in points (a), (b) and (c) of the first subparagraph until detailed production rules for those products are laid down on the basis of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007.							
I		2			Definitions: For the purposes of this Regulation, the following definitions shall apply:							
I		2		(c)	'organic' means coming from or related to organic production;	Ch. 1 (53)	produced according to the basic principles of organic agriculture and complying with the national norms and those specified in the present Standards Manual	producido de acuerdo con los principios de la agricultura orgánica y cumpliendo con las normativas nacionales vigentes y las del presente Manual de Normas	X			
I		2		(d)	'operator' means the natural or legal persons responsible for ensuring that the requirements of this Regulation are met within the organic business under their control;	Ch. 1 (40)	is the physical or juridical person that produces manufactures or imports organic, ecologic or biologic products for their commercialisation, or which trades said products. Includes the following categories: Gatherer: is any person or organization that gathers products and commits him/ herself to comply with the precautionary measures. Input supplier: are organizations that manufacture of market inputs whose active principles, processing aids and other components comply with the national norms and those of ARGENCERT. Manufacturers: (or Processor) is any person or organization that in any way transforms a raw material. Re-packaging is considered a process or manufacture. Producers: are the persons responsible for the primary production. Trader: any person or organization that receives an organic product, processed or not, and that does not transforms in any way or repacks it. Only acts as an agent for a third party.	la persona física o jurídica que produzca, elabore o importe productos orgánicos, ecológicos o biológicos con vistas a su comercialización, o que comercialice dichos productos. Incluye las siguientes categorías: Acopiador: Es cualquier persona u organización que realiza acopios y se compromete al cumplimiento de las medidas precautorias. Comercializador: Es cualquier persona u organización que recibe un producto orgánico, ya sea elaborado o no pero que de ninguna manera lo transforma, o re-ensava. Solo actúa como un agente para un tercero. Elaborador o procesador: Es cualquier persona u organización que de alguna manera transforma una materia prima. El re-ensavado de productos se considera una elaboración. Productores: Son los responsables de la producción primaria. Proveedores de insumos: Son organizaciones que elaboran o comercializan insumos cuyos principios activos, coadyuvantes, ingredientes y demás componentes son aptos para la producción orgánica	X			

I		2	(e.)	'plant production' means production of agricultural crop products including harvesting of wild plant products for commercial purposes;	Ch. 1 (54)	is the description of the vegetable crops production including harvesting of wild plant products that will be carried on in a specific field or lot under follow-up for commercial purposes	es la descripción de los cultivos, incluyendo la recolección de productos de plantas silvestres que se llevarán a cabo en el/los predios bajo seguimiento	X				
I		2	(f)	'livestock production' means the production of domestic or domesticated terrestrial animals (including insects);	Ch. 1 (45)	the following species are included: bovine (including <i>Bubalus and Bison</i>), equidae, porcine, ovine, caprine, rabbits, poultry (laying hens, fattening poultry, ducks, turkeys, and geese) and bees	comprende las siguientes especies: bovinos (incluso <i>Bubalus y Bison</i>), equinos, porcinos, ovinos, caprinos, conejos, aves de corral (gallinas ponedoras, pollos de carne, patos, pavos, ocas) y abejas	X				
I		2	(k)	'labelling' means any terms, words, particulars, trade marks, brand name, pictorial matter or symbol relating to and placed on any packaging, document, notice, label, board, ring or collar accompanying or referring to a product;	Ch. 1 (22)	mentions, indications, brand names, pictures or signs appearing in packages, documents, signboards, or rings that accompany or that refer to organic products. Directions for their application are found in Chapter 10 of this Standards Manual	las menciones, indicaciones, marcas de fábrica o comercio, imágenes o signos que figuren en envases, documentos, letreros, etiquetas, anillas o collarines que acompañan o se refieren a productos orgánicos, ecológicos o biológicos. Los lineamientos de su aplicación se encuentran en el Capítulo 10 de este Manual de Normas	X				
I		2	(l)	the definition of 'pre-packaged foodstuff' is that given in Article 1(3)(b) of Directive 2000/13/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 March 2000 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs; (OJ L 109, 6.5.2000, p. 29. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2006/142/EC (OJ L 368, 23.12.2006, p. 110))	Ch. 1 (48)	unit of sale of transformed vegetable or animal products destined to human feeding, and the packaging in which it is conditioned before sale cannot be modified its content without being opened or modifying that packaging	unidad de venta de productos vegetales o animales transformados destinados a la alimentación humana y su envase, en el cual haya sido acondicionado antes de ser puesto a la venta de forma que no pueda modificarse el contenido sin abrir o modificar dicho envase	X				
I		2	(n)	'competent authority' means the central authority of a Member State competent for the organisation of official controls in the field of organic production in accordance with the provisions set out under this Regulation, or any other authority on which that competence has been conferred to; it shall also include, where appropriate, the corresponding authority of a third country;						X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
I		2	(o)	'control authority' means a public administrative organisation of a Member State to which the competent authority has conferred, in whole or in part, its competence for the inspection and certification in the field of organic production in accordance with the provisions set out under this Regulation; it shall also include, where appropriate, the corresponding authority of a third country or the corresponding authority operating in a third country;							X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
I		2	(q)	'mark of conformity' means the assertion of conformity to a particular set of standards or other normative documents in the form of a mark;	Ch. 1 (32)	ARGENCERT's Trade mark applied or issued indicating that the adequate confidence has been obtained that the national norms and those of ARGENCERT's Quality Manual and Standards Manual have been complied with. ARGENCERT's Trade Mark has been registered in the National Office of Patents and Trade Marks as specified in this Manual's Chapter 10: Identification and Labelling	marca registrada aplicada o expedida que indica que se ha obtenido la adecuada confianza en la conformidad con las reglas especificadas en la normativa oficial y en el Manual de Calidad y el Manual de Normas de ARGENCERT y registrada en la Oficina de Patentes y Marcas de la República Argentina y especificado en el Capítulo ...: Identificación y Etiquetado del Manual de Normas de ARGENCERT.	X				
I		2	(y)	'processing aid' means any substance not consumed as a food ingredient by itself, intentionally used in the processing of raw materials, foods or their ingredients, to fulfil a certain technological purpose during treatment or processing and which may result in the unintentional but technically unavoidable presence of residues of the substance or its derivatives in the final product, provided that these residues do not present any health risk and do not have any technological effect on the finished product;	Ch. 1 (16)	Technological (or processing) coadjutant: any substance, excluding equipment and utensils, that is not consumed in itself as a food ingredient, and that is intentionally employed in the manufacturing of raw materials, foodstuffs or their ingredients, in order to obtain a technological purpose during treatment or manufacturing. It must be eliminated from the foodstuff or inactivated, being possible to accept traces of the substance or of its derivatives in the end product if those traces do not represent any risk for health or have any technological effect on the final product	Coadyuvante de Tecnología (o de elaboración): es toda sustancia, excluyendo los equipamientos y los utensilios, que no se consume por sí sola como ingrediente alimenticio y que se emplea intencionalmente en la elaboración de materias primas, alimentos o sus ingredientes, para obtener una finalidad tecnológica durante el tratamiento o elaboración. Deberá ser eliminado del alimento o inactivado, pudiendo admitirse la presencia de trazas de las sustancias, o sus derivados, en el producto final siempre que dichos residuos no representen un riesgo para la salud ni tengan un efecto tecnológico en el producto final	X			IFOAM	
I		2	(z)	the definition of 'ionising radiation' is that given in Council Directive 96/29/Euratom of 13 May 1996 laying down basic safety standards for the protection of the health of workers and the general public against the dangers arising from ionising radiation (OJ L 159, 29.6.1996, p. 1) and as restricted by Article 1(2) of Directive 1999/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 February 1999 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States concerning foods and food ingredients treated with ionising radiation (OJ L 66, 13.3.1999, p. 16. Directive as amended by Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 (OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1).	Ch. 1 (30)	a sanitation or preservative method for packaged or bulk foodstuffs that controls insect infestation and that reduces microbial load by ionizing radiation from Cobalt-60 or Cesium-137; or X-rays generated by a machine source operated at or below an energy level of 5 MeV; or from electrons generated by a machine source operated at or below an energy level of 10 MeV.	las sustancias, incluidos los ingredientes, aditivos o coadyuvantes, y productos auxiliares de control de plagas y limpieza utilizadas en la elaboración de productos orgánicos, ecológicos o biológicos. Las listas de insumos permitidos en la elaboración de productos orgánicos se encuentran en el Anexo L del presente Manual de Normas	X				
I				Introductory provisions								
I		2		Definitions: In addition to the definitions laid down in Article 2 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, the following definitions shall apply for the purposes of this Regulation:							X	
II				OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES FOR ORGANIC PRODUCTION								
II		3		Organic production shall pursue the following general objectives:								

II		5		(b)	the minimisation of the use of non-renewable resources and off-farm inputs;		Production units will be required to present a production annual production plan, plot by plot, with all the necessary information, made up by a trained person, demonstrating that the environmental impact caused by the use of the land will be minimized. It must contemplate matters of sustainability and rational management of resources. The ecosystem and the landscape must be preserved through adequate management of the natural habitats.	Se requerirá a las unidades de producción a presentar un plan de producción anual, detallado por parcela o lote, que provea toda la información necesaria, realizado por una persona idónea donde se demuestre que se minimizará el impacto ecológico causado por el uso de la tierra. Deberá contemplar aspectos de sustentabilidad y manejo racional de los recursos. El ecosistema y el paisaje deberá ser preservado en las áreas en producción por medio de un manejo adecuado de los hábitat naturales.	X					
						Ch. 2.1.2.a; Ch. 2.2.0								
II	7				Seed data base									
II	7	48	1		Each Member State shall ensure that a computerised database is established for the listing of the varieties for which seed or seed potatoes obtained by the organic production method are available on its territory.							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	48	2		The database shall be managed either by the competent authority of the Member State or by an authority or body designated for this purpose by the Member State, hereinafter referred to as 'manager of the database'. Member States may also designate an authority or a private body in another country.							x	ARGENCERT has not been designated for this purpose.	
II	7	48	3		Each Member State shall inform the Commission and the other Member States of the authority or private body designated to manage the database.							x	ARGENCERT has not been designated for this purpose.	
II	7	49			Registration									
II	7	49	1		Varieties for which seed or seed potatoes produced by the organic production method are available shall be registered in the database referred to in Article 48 at the request of the supplier.							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	49	2		Any variety which has not been registered in the database shall be considered as unavailable with regard to Article 45(5).							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	49	3		Each Member State shall decide in which period of the year the database has to be regularly updated for each species or group of species cultivated on its territory. The database shall hold information with regard to that decision.							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	50			Conditions for registration									
II	7	50	1		For registration, the supplier shall:								x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards
II	7	50	1	(a)	demonstrate that he or the last operator, in cases where the supplier is only dealing with pre-packaged seed or seed potatoes, has been subject to the control system referred to in Article 27 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007;							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	50	1	(b)	demonstrate that the seed or seed potatoes to be placed on the market comply with the general requirements applicable to seed and seed potatoes;							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	50	1	(c)	make available all the information required under Article 51 of this Regulation, and undertake to update this information at the request of the manager of the database or whenever such updating is necessary to ensure that the information remains reliable.							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	50	2		The manager of the database may, with the approval by the competent authority of the Member State, refuse a supplier's application for registration or delete a previously accepted registration if the supplier does not comply with the requirements set out in paragraph 1.							x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	51			Registered information									
II	7	51	1		For each registered variety and for each supplier, the database referred to in Article 48 shall contain at least the following information:								x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards
II	7	51	1	(a)	the scientific name of the species and the variety denomination;								x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards
II	7	51	1	(b)	the name and contact details of the supplier or his representative;								x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards
II	7	51	1	(c)	the area where the supplier can deliver the seed or seed potatoes to the user in the usual time needed for the delivery;								x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards

II	7	51	1	(d)	the country or region in which the variety is tested and approved for the purpose of the common catalogues of varieties of agricultural plant species and vegetable species as defined in Council Directives 2002/53/EC on the common catalogue of varieties of agricultural plant species (OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 1.) and 2002/55/EC on the marketing of vegetable seed (OJ L 193, 20.7.2002, p. 33.);						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	51	1	(e)	the date from which the seed or seed potatoes will be available;						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	51	1	(f)	the name and/or code number of the control authority or control body in charge of the control of the operator as referred to in Article 27 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	51	2		The supplier shall immediately inform the manager of the database if any of the registered varieties are no longer available. The amendments shall be recorded in the database.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	51	3		Besides the information specified in paragraph 1, the database shall contain a list of the species listed in Annex X.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT	
II	7	52			Access to information								
II	7	52	1		The information in the database referred to in Article 48 shall be available through the Internet, free of cost, to the users of seed or seed potatoes and to the public. Member States may decide that any user who has notified its activity in accordance with Article 28 (1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 may obtain, on request, an extract of data concerning one or several groups of species from the database manager.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	52	2		The Member States shall ensure that all users referred to in paragraph 1 are informed, at least once a year, about the system and how to obtain the information in the database.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	53			Registration fee								
II	7	53			Each registration may be subject to the levying of a fee, which shall represent the cost of inserting and maintaining the information in the database referred to in Article 48. The competent authority of the Member State shall approve the amount of the fee charged by the manager of the database.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	54			Annual report						x	Not included in	
II	7	54	1		The authorities or bodies designated to grant authorisations in accordance with Article 45 shall register all authorisations, and shall make this information available in a report to the competent authority of the Member State and to the manager of the database. The report shall contain, for each species concerned by an authorisation according to Article 45(5), the following information:						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	54	1	(a)	the scientific name of the species and the variety denomination;						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	54	1	(b)	the justification for the authorisation indicated by a reference to Article 45(5)(a), (b), (c) or (d);						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	54	1	(c)	the total number of authorisations;						x	Not included in ARGENCERT	
II	7	54	1	(d)	the total quantity of seed or seed potatoes involved;						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	54	1	(e)	the chemical treatment for phytosanitary purposes, as referred to in Article 45(2).						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	54	2		For authorisations according to Article 45(8) the report shall contain the information referred to in point (a) of the second subparagraph of paragraph 1 of this Article and the period for which the authorisations were in force.						x	Not included in ARGENCERT standards	
II	7	55			Summary report								
II	7	55			The competent authority of the Member State shall, before 31 March each year, collect the reports and send a summary report covering all authorisations of the Member State from the previous calendar year to the Commission and to the other Member States. The report shall cover the information specified in Article 54. The information shall be published in the database referred to in Article 48. The competent authority may delegate the task of collecting the reports to the manager of the database.						x	not included in ARGENCERT's Standards	

II	7	56			Information upon request																
II	7	56			Upon request from a Member State or the Commission, detailed information on authorisations granted in individual cases shall be made available to other Member States or to the Commission.														x	not included in ARGENCERT's Standards	
III	2	12	1	(j)	products for cleaning and disinfection in plant production shall be used only if they have been authorised for use in organic production under Article 16.	Ch. 3.3.11	ARGENCERT may authorize the use of commercial products that, after an exhaustive study, have demonstrated their effectiveness for the proposed objective, and that are in no conflict with the basic principles of the organic production and the national standards, as well as those currently accepted internationally	ARGENCERT podrá autorizar productos comerciales que, después de un exhaustivo estudio, hayan demostrado su efectividad para el fin propuesto y no encontrarse en conflicto con los principios básicos de la producción orgánica y con las normas nacionales y aquellas corrientemente aceptadas internacionalmente											X		
II	2	13	2		The Member States may designate regions or areas where beekeeping complying with organic production rules is not practicable.															X	not included in ARGENCERT's Standards
II	2	14			Access to open air areas *																
II	2	14	2		In accordance with Article 14(1)(b)(iii) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 herbivores shall have access to pasturage for grazing whenever conditions allow.	Ch.5.2.8.1	All mammals will have free access to direct pasture (that area must be part of a land rotation) and exercise zones or open air spaces than can be partially covered, contemplating the physiological characteristics of the animals, atmospheric conditions and the state of the soil which should not suffer any degradation	Todos los mamíferos deberán tener acceso libre al pastoreo directo (dicha superficie debe entrar en un plan de rotaciones) y zonas de ejercicio o espacios al aire libre que podrán estar cubiertos parcialmente, contemplando las condiciones fisiológicas de los animales, las condiciones atmosféricas y el estado del suelo, el cual no deberá sufrir deterioros											X		
II	2	24	5		The withdrawal period between the last administration of an allopathic veterinary medicinal product to an animal under normal conditions of use, and the production of organically produced foodstuffs from such animals, is to be twice the legal withdrawal period as referred to in Article 11 of Directive 2001/82/EC or, in a case in which this period is not specified, 48 hours.	Annexe D.	Withdrawal period is the time that must go between the day of the last treatment and the slaughter, or the shipment of milk for industrial use or human consumption. *In the case of sale or use of milk for dairy products: double the official withdrawal time with a minimum of 5 days (48 hours for products without withdrawal time) *For the sale of meat or its industrial use: double the official withdrawal time with a minimum of 30 days.	Se entiende por tales los tiempos que deberán transcurrir entre el último día de tratamiento y el sacrificio del animal, así como también el destino de la leche para industrialización o consumo alimentario humano. *Venta de leche o su utilización para la fabricación de productos lácteos: el doble del tiempo de espera oficial, con un mínimo de 6 días (48 horas para productos sin tiempo de espera). *Venta de carne o su industrialización para la fabricación de subproductos: el doble del tiempo de espera oficial, con un mínimo de 30 días.											X		
II	5				Conversion rules																
II	5	36	4		In the case of parcels which have already been converted to or were in the process of conversion to organic farming, and which are treated with a product not authorised for organic production, the Member State may shorten the conversion period referred to in paragraph 1 in the following two cases:															X	
II	5	36	4	(a)	parcels treated with a product not authorised for organic production as part of a compulsory disease or pest control measure imposed by the competent authority of the Member State,																X
II	5	36	4	(b)	parcels treated with a product not authorised for organic production as part of scientific tests approved by the competent authority of the Member State.																X
II	5	36	4		In the cases provided for in points (a) and (b) of the first subparagraph, the length of the conversion period shall be fixed taking into account of the following factors:																X
II	5	36	4	(a)	the process of degradation of the product concerned shall guarantee, at the end of the conversion period, an insignificant level of residues in the soil and, in the case of a perennial crop, in the plant;																X
II	5	36	4	(b)	the harvest following the treatment may not be sold with reference to organic production methods.																X
II	5	36	4		The Member State concerned shall inform the other Member States and the Commission of its decision to require compulsory measures.																X
III	4	21			Criteria for certain products and substances in processing																

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III	4	21	1		The authorisation of products and substances for use in organic production and their inclusion in a restricted list of the products and substances referred to in Article 19(2)(b) and (c) shall be subject to the objectives and principles laid down in Title II and the following criteria, which shall be evaluated as a whole: (i) alternatives authorised in accordance with this chapter are not available; (ii) without having recourse to them, it would be impossible to produce or preserve the food or to fulfil given dietary requirements provided for on the basis of the Community legislation. In addition, the products and substances referred to in Article 19(2)(b) are to be found in nature and may have undergone only mechanical, physical, biological, enzymatic or microbial processes; except where such products and substances from such sources are not available in sufficient quantities or qualities on the market.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
III	4	21	2		The Commission shall, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 37(2), decide on the authorisation of the products and substances and their inclusion in the restricted list referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article and lay down specific conditions and limits for their use, and, if necessary, on the withdrawal of products. Where a Member State considers that a product or substance should be added to, or withdrawn from the list referred to in paragraph 1, or that the specifications of use mentioned in this paragraph should be amended, the Member State shall ensure that a dossier giving the reasons for the inclusion, withdrawal or amendments is sent officially to the Commission and to the Member States. Requests for amendment or withdrawal, as well as decisions thereon, shall be published. Products and substances used before adoption of this Regulation and falling under Article 19(2)(b) and (c) may continue to be used after the said adoption. The Commission may, in any case, withdraw such products or substances in accordance with Article 37(2).					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	6.1	40	1	(b)	in the case of areas intended for agricultural research or formal education agreed by the Member States' competent authorities and provided the conditions set out in point (a)(ii) (iii)(iv) and the relevant part of point (v) are met;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3				Processed products							
II	3	26			Rules for the production of processed feed and food							
II	3	29			Authorisation of non-organic food ingredients of agricultural origin by Member State							
II	3	29	1		Where an ingredient of agricultural origin is not included in Annex IX to this Regulation, that ingredient may only be used under the following conditions:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	1	(a)	the operator has notified to the competent authority of the Member State all the requisite evidence showing that the ingredient concerned is not produced in sufficient quantity in the Community in accordance with the organic production rules or cannot be imported from third countries;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	1	(b)	the competent authority of the Member State has provisionally authorised, the use for a maximum period of 12 months after having verified that the operator has undertaken the necessary contacts with suppliers in the Community to ensure himself of the unavailability of the ingredients concerned with the required quality requirements;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	1	(c)	no decision has been taken, in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 3 or 4 that a granted authorisation with regard to the ingredient concerned shall be withdrawn.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	1		The Member State may prolong the authorisation provided for in point (b) maximum three times for 12 months each.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2		Where an authorisation as referred to in paragraph 1 has been granted, the Member State shall immediately notify to the other Member States and to the Commission, the following information:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2	(a)	the date of the authorisation and in case of a prolonged authorisation, the date of the first authorisation;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2	(b)	the name, address, telephone, and where relevant, fax and e-mail of the holder of the authorisation; the name and address of the contact point of the authority which granted the authorisation;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2	(c)	the name and, where necessary, the precise description and quality requirements of the ingredient of agricultural origin concerned;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2	(d)	the type of products for the preparation of which the requested ingredient is necessary;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2	(e)	the quantities that are required and the justification for those quantities;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	2	(f)	the reasons for, and expected period of, the shortage;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	

II	3	29	2	(g)	the date on which the Member State sends this notification to the other Member States and the Commission. The Commission and/or Member States may make this information available to the public.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	3		Where a Member State submits comments to the Commission and to the Member State which granted the authorisation, which show that supplies are available during the period of the shortage, the Member State shall consider withdrawal of the authorisation or reducing the envisaged period of validity, and shall inform the Commission and the other Member States of the measures it has taken or will take, within 15 working days from the date of receipt of the information.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	4		At the request of a Member State or at the Commission's initiative, the matter shall be submitted for examination to the Committee set up in accordance with Article 37 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007. It may be decided, in accordance with the procedure laid down in paragraph 2 of that Article, that a previously granted authorisation shall be withdrawn or its period of validity amended, or where appropriate, that the ingredient concerned shall be included in Annex IX to this Regulation.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	3	29	5		In case of an extension as referred to in the second subparagraph of paragraph 1, the procedures of paragraphs 2 and 3 shall apply.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
II	6.3	46a			Exceptional production rules with regard to the use of specific products and substances in the processing in accordance with Article 22 (2) (e) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007							
II	6.3	46a			Addition of non-organic yeast extract Where the conditions laid down in Article 22(2)(e) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 apply, the addition of up to 5 % non-organic yeast extract or autolysate to the substrate (calculated in dry matter) is allowed for the production of organic yeast, where operators are unable to obtain yeast extract or autolysate from organic production. The availability of organic yeast extract or autolysate shall be re-examined by 31 December 2013 with a view to withdrawing this provision.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5				Controls							
V	5	27			Controlsystem							
V	5	27	1		Member States shall set up a system of controls and designate one or more competent authorities responsible for controls in respect of the obligations established by this Regulation in conformity with Regulation (EC) No 882/2004.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	2		In addition to the conditions laid down in Regulation (EC) No 882/2004, the control system set up under this Regulation shall comprise at least the application of precautionary and control measures to be adopted by the Commission in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 37(2).					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	4		The competent authority may:							
V	5	27	5		The competent authority may delegate control tasks to a particular control body only if the conditions laid down in Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC)No 882/2004 are satisfied, and in particular where:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	5	(a)	there is an accurate description of the tasks that the control body may carry out and of the conditions under which it may carry them out;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	5	(b)	there is proof that the control body: (i) has the expertise, equipment and infrastructure required to carry out the tasks delegated to it; (ii) has a sufficient number of suitable qualified and experienced staff; and (iii) is impartial and free from any conflict of interest as regards the exercise of the tasks delegated to it;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	5	(c)	the control body is accredited to the most recently notified version, by a publication in the C series of the Official Journal of the European Union, of European Standard EN 45011 or ISO Guide 65 (General requirementsfor bodies operating product certification systems),and is approved by the competent authorities;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	5	(e)	there is an effective coordination between the delegating competent authority and the control body.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	6		In addition to the provisions of paragraph 5, the competent authority shall take into account the following criteria whilst approving a control body:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	6	(a)	the standard control procedure to be followed, containing a detailed description of the control measures and precautions that the body undertakes to impose on operators subject to its control;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	6	(b)	the measures that the control body intends to apply where irregularities and/or infringements are found.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	7		The competent authorities may not delegate the following tasks to the control bodies;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	

V	5	27	7	(a)	the supervision and audit of other control bodies;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	7	(b)	the competence to grant exceptions, as referred to in Article 22, unless this is provided for in the specific conditions laid down by the Commission in accordance with Article 22(3).					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	8		In accordance with Article 5(3) of Regulation (EC) No 882/ 2004, competent authorities delegating control tasks to control bodies shall organise audits or inspections of control bodies as necessary. If, as a result of an audit or an inspection, it appears that such bodies are failing to carry out properly the tasks delegated to them, the delegating competent authority may withdraw the delegation. It shall withdraw it without delay if the control body fails to take appropriate and timely remedial action.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	9		In addition to the provisions of paragraph 8, the competent authority shall:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	9	(a)	ensure that the controls carried out by the control body are objective and independent;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	9	(b)	verify the effectiveness of its controls;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	9	(c)	take cognisance of any irregularities or infringements found and corrective measures applied;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	9	(d)	withdraw approval of that body where it fails to satisfy the requirements referred to in (a) and (b) or no longer fulfils the criteria indicated in paragraph 5, 6 or fails to satisfy the requirements laid down in paragraphs 11, 12 and 14.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	10		Member States shall attribute a code number to each control authority or control body performing control tasks as referred to in paragraph 4.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	11		Control authorities and control bodies shall give the competent authorities access to their offices and facilities and provide any information and assistance deemed necessary by the competent authorities for the fulfilment of their obligations according to this Article.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	12		The control authorities and control bodies shall ensure that at least the precautionary and control measures referred to in paragraph 2 are applied to operators subject to their control.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	13		Member States shall ensure that the control system as set up allows for the traceability of each product at all stages of production, preparation and distribution in accordance with Article 18 of Regulation (EC) No 178/2002, in particular, in order to give consumers guarantees that organic products have been produced in compliance with the requirements set out in this Regulation.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	27	14		By 31 January each year at the latest the control authorities and control bodies shall transmit to the competent authorities a list of the operators which were subject to their controls on 31 December of the previous year. A summary report of the control activities carried out during the previous year shall be provided by 31 March each year.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	28			Adherence to the control system							
V	5	28	1		Any operator who produces, prepares, stores, or imports from a third country products in the meaning of Article 1(2) or who places such products on the market shall, prior to placing on the market of any products as organic or in conversion to organic:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	28	1	(a)	notify his activity to the competent authorities of the Member State where the activity is carried out;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	28	1	(b)	submit his undertaking to the control system referred to in Article 27. The first subparagraph shall apply also to exporters who export products produced in compliance with the production rules laid down in this Regulation. Where an operator contracts out any of the activities to a third party, that operator shall nonetheless be subject to the requirements referred to in points (a) and (b), and the subcontracted activities shall be subject to the control system.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	28	2		Member States may exempt from the application of this Article operators who sell products directly to the final consumer or user provided they do not produce, prepare, store other than in connection with the point of sale or import such products from a third country or have not contracted out such activities to a third party.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
V	5	28	3		Member States shall designate an authority or approve a body for the reception of such notifications.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	

V	5	28	4	Member States shall ensure that any operator who complies with the rules of this Regulation, and who pays a reasonable fee as a contribution to the control expenses, is entitled to be covered by the control system.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
V	5	28	5	The control authorities and control bodies shall keep an updated list containing the names and addresses of operators under their control. This list shall be made available to the interested parties.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
V	5	28	6	The Commission, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 37(2), shall adopt implementing rules to provide details of the notification and submission procedure referred to in paragraph 1 of this Article in particular with regard to the information included in the notification referred to in paragraph 1(a) of this Article.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
VI				TRADE WITH THIRD COUNTRIES						
VI	5	32		Import of compliant products						
VI	5	32	2	The Commission shall, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 37(2), recognise the control authorities and control bodies referred to in paragraph 1(b) of this Article, including control authorities and control bodies as referred to in Article 27, which are competent to carry out controls and to issue the documentary evidence referred to in paragraph 1(c) of this Article in third countries, and establish a list of these control authorities and control bodies. The control bodies shall be accredited to the most recently notified version, by a publication in the C series of the Official Journal of the European Union, of European Standard EN 45011 or ISO Guide 65 (General requirements for bodies operating product certification systems). The control bodies shall undergo regular on-the-spot evaluation, surveillance and multiannual reassessment of their activities by the accreditation body. When examining requests for recognition, the Commission shall invite the control authority or control body to supply all the necessary information. The Commission may also entrust experts with the task of examining on-the-spot the rules of production and the control activities carried out in the third country by the control authority or control body concerned. The recognised control bodies or control authorities shall provide the assessment reports issued by the accreditation body or, as appropriate, the competent authority on the regular on-the-spot evaluation, surveillance and multiannual reassessment of their activities. Based on the assessment reports, the Commission assisted by the Member States shall ensure appropriate supervision of the recognised control authorities and control bodies by regularly reviewing their recognition. The nature of the supervision shall be determined on					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
IV	5	83		Documentary accounts						
IV	5	83		The importer and the first consignee shall keep separate stock and financial records, unless where they are operating in one single unit. On request of the control authority or control body, any details on the transport arrangements from the exporter in the third country to the first consignee and, from the first consignee's premises or storage facilities to the consignees within the Community shall be provided.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
IV	5	84		Information on imported consignments						
IV	5	84		The importer shall, in due time, inform the control body or control authority of each consignment to be imported into the Community, providing:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
IV	5	84	(a)	the name and address of the first consignee;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
IV	5	84	(b)	any details the control body or authority may reasonably require, (i) in case of products imported in accordance with Article 32 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, the documentary evidence referred to in that Article; (ii) in case of products imported in accordance with Article 33 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007, a copy of the certificate of inspection referred to in that Article.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
IV	5	84		On the request of the control body or control authority of the importer, the latter shall forward the information referred to in the first paragraph to the control body or control authority of the first consignee.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual
IV	5	85		Control visits						

VII	5	37	1		The Commission shall be assisted by a regulatory Committee on organic production.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	37	2		Where reference is made to this paragraph, Articles 5 and C2907 of Decision 1999/468/EC shall apply. The period provided for in Article 5(6) of Decision 1999/468/EC shall be set at three months.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	38			Implementing rules The Commission shall, in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 37(2), and subject to the objectives and principles laid down in Title II, adopt detailed rules for the application of this Regulation. These shall include in particular the following:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	38		(a)	detailed rules as regards the production rules laid down in Title III, in particular as regards the specific requirements and conditions to be respected by operators;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	38		(b)	detailed rules as regards the labelling rules laid down in Title IV;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	38		(c)	detailed rules as regards the control system established under Title V, in particular as regards minimum control requirements, supervision and audit, the specific criteria for delegation of tasks to private control bodies the criteria for approval and withdrawal of such bodies and the documentary evidence referred to in Article 29;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	38		(d)	detailed rules as regards the rules on imports from third countries laid down in Title VI, in particular as regards the criteria and procedures to be followed with regard to the recognition under Article 32 and 33 of third countries and control bodies, including the publication of lists of recognised third countries and control bodies, and as regards the certificate referred to in Article 33(1) point (d) taking into account the advantages of electronic certification;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	38		(e)	detailed rules as regards the free movement of organic products laid down in Article 34 and the transmission of information to the Commission in Article 35.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	39			Repeal of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	39	1		Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 is hereby repealed as from 1 January 2009.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	39	2		References to the repealed Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 shall be construed as references to this Regulation.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	40			Transitional measures Where necessary, measures to facilitate the transition from the rules established by Regulation (EEC) 2092/91 to this Regulation shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 37(2).					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41			Report to the Council					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41	1		By 31 December 2011, the Commission shall submit a report to the Council.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41	2		The report shall, in particular, review the experience gained from the application of this Regulation and consider in particular the following issues:					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41	2	(a)	the scope of this Regulation, in particular as regards organic food prepared by mass caterers;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41	2	(b)	the prohibition on the use of GMOs, including the availability of products not produced by GMOs, the vendor declaration, the feasibility of specific tolerance thresholds and their impact on the organic sector;					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41	2	(c)	the functioning of the internal market and controls system, assessing in particular that the established practices do not lead to unfair competition or barriers to the production and marketing of organic products.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	
VII	5	41	3		The Commission shall, if appropriate, accompany the report with relevant proposals.					X	Not included in ARGENCERT's Standard Manual	

