



# Technical discussions Wine

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# Background on wine

- *Request received from France*
- *Comments received from IFOAM*
- *EGTOP/2015 Final Report on Wine*

# NEW ORGANIC REGULATION 2018/848

## *Recital*

*(1) Organic production is an overall system of farm management and food production that combines best environmental and climate action practices, a high level of biodiversity, the preservation of natural resources and the application of high animal welfare standards and high production standards in line with the demand of a growing number of consumers for products produced using natural substances and processes. Organic production thus plays a dual societal role, where, on the one hand, it provides for a specific market responding to consumer demand for organic products and, on the other hand, it delivers publicly available goods that contribute to the protection of the environment and animal welfare, as well as to rural development.*

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## *Recital*

*(27) Detailed production rules should be established with regard to plant, livestock and aquaculture production, including rules for the collection of wild plants and algae, and with regard to the production of processed food and feed, as well as of wine and yeast used as food or feed, to ensure harmonisation of and compliance with the objectives and principles of organic production.*

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## *Recital*

*(54) Organic wine should be subject to the relevant rules on processed organic food. However, since wine is a specific and important category of organic products, additional detailed production rules should be laid down specifically for organic wine.*

*Organic wine should be produced entirely from organic raw material, and only certain products and substances authorised in accordance with this Regulation should be allowed to be added.*

*The use of certain oenological practices, processes and treatments in the production of organic wine should be prohibited.*

*Other practices, processes and treatments should be permitted under well-defined conditions.*

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*Article 18*

## ***Production rules for wine***

*1. Operators that produce products of the wine sector shall comply, in particular, with the detailed production rules set out in Part VI of Annex II.*

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## **EMPOWERMENT**

### *Article 18*

#### ***Production rules for wine***

*2. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 54 **amending**:*

*(a) point 3.2 of Part VI of Annex II by **adding further oenological practices, processes and treatments that are prohibited, or by amending those added elements**;*

*(b) **point 3.3. of Part VI of Annex II.***

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## ***ANNEX II Part VI: Wine***

### *1. Scope*

*1.1. In addition to the general production rules laid down in Articles 9 (general production rules), 10 (conversion), 11 (prohibition of the use of GMOs), 16 (production rules for processed food) and 18 (production rules for wine), the rules laid down in this Part shall apply to the organic production of the products of the wine sector as referred to in point (l) of Article 1(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013.*

*1.2. Commission Regulations (EC) No 606/2009 and (EC) No 607/2009 shall apply, save as explicitly provided otherwise in this Part.*

*Previously Article 29b Reg 889/2008*



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## ***ANNEX II Part VI: Wine***

### *2. Use of certain products and substances*

*2.1. Products of the wine sector shall be produced from organic raw material.*

*Previously Article 29c paragraph 1 of Reg 889/2008*

*2.2. Only products and substances authorised pursuant to Article 24 for use in organic production may be used for the making of products of the wine sector, including during the oenological practices, processes and treatments, subject to the conditions and restrictions laid down in Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 and Regulation (EC) No 606/2009, and in particular in Annex I A to the latter Regulation.*

*Previously Article 29c paragraph 2 of Reg 889/2008*

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## *ANNEX II Part VI: Wine*

### *3. Oenological practices and restrictions*

*3.1. Without prejudice to Sections 1 and 2 of this Part and to specific prohibitions and restrictions provided for in points 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4, only oenological practices, processes and treatments, including the restrictions provided for in Article 80 and Article 83(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013, in Article 3, Articles 5 to 9 and Articles 11 to 14 of Regulation (EC) No 606/2009, and in the Annexes to those Regulations used before 1 August 2010 shall be permitted.*

*Previously Article 29(d) Reg 889/2008 paragraph 1*

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## ***ANNEX II Part VI: Wine***

***3.2. The use of the following oenological practices, processes and treatments shall be prohibited:***

***(a) partial concentration through cooling*** in accordance with point (c) of Section B.1 of Part I of Annex VIII to Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013;

***(b) elimination of sulphur dioxide by physical processes*** in accordance with point 8 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009;

***(c) electro dialysis treatment to ensure the tartaric stabilisation of the wine*** in accordance with point 36 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009;

***(d) partial dealcoholisation of wine*** in accordance with point 40 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009; ***(e) treatment with cation exchangers to ensure the tartaric stabilisation of the wine*** in accordance with point 43 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009.

***Previously Article 29(d) Reg 889/2008 paragraph 2***

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## ***ANNEX II Part VI: Wine***

*3.3. The use of the following oenological practices, processes and treatments is permitted under the following conditions:*

*(a) heat treatments in accordance with point 2 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009, provided that the temperature does not exceed 75 °C;*

*(b) centrifuging and filtration with or without an inert filtering agent in accordance with point 3 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009, provided that the size of the pores is not smaller than 0,2 micrometres.*

*Comment similar to Article 29(d) Reg 889/2008 paragraph 3 except (a) previously 70°C*

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*3.4. Any amendment introduced after 1 August 2010 concerning the oenological practices, processes and treatments provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 or Regulation (EC) No 606/2009 may apply to the organic production of wine only after those measures have been included as permitted in this Section and, if required, after an evaluation in accordance with Article 24 of this Regulation.*

*Previously Article 29(d) Reg 889/2008 paragraph 5*

# MAIN CHANGES FOR WINE

- *Updated legal references*
- *Increased temperature for heat treatments*
- *Missing **Article 29(d) Reg 889/2008 paragraph 4***

*4. The use of the following oenological practices, processes and treatments shall be re-examined by the Commission before 1 August 2018 with a view to phase out or to further restrict those practices:*

  - (a) heat treatments as referred to in point 2 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009;***
  - (b) use of ion exchange resins as referred to in point 20 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009;***
  - (c) reverse osmosis according to point (b) of Section B.1 of Annex XVa to Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007.***
- *Missing Annex VIIa products and substances for use or addition in organic products of the wine sector*

## **Basis for technical discussions**

### **Oenological practices, processes and treatments permitted under the following conditions**

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*(b) centrifuging and filtration with or without an inert filtering agent in accordance with point 3 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009, provided that the size of the pores is not smaller than 0,2 micrometres.*

***(c) use of ion exchange resins as referred to in point 20 of Annex I A to Regulation (EC) No 606/2009;***

***(d) reverse osmosis according to point (b) of B.1 of part I of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 1308/2013.***

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## Article 24

### ***Autorisation of products and substances for use in organic production***

*2. In addition to products and substances authorised in accordance with paragraph 1, the Commission may authorise certain products and substances for use in the production of processed organic food and of yeast used as food or feed, and shall include any such authorised products and substances in restrictive lists, for the following purposes:*

- (a) as food additives and processing aids;*
- (b) as non-organic agricultural ingredients to be used for the production of processed organic food;*
- (c) as processing aids for the production of yeast and yeast products.*



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## Article 24

### ***Autorisation of products and substances for use in organic production***

*4. The authorisation of the products and substances referred to in paragraph 2 for use in the production of processed organic food or for the production of yeast used as food or feed shall be subject to the principles laid down in Chapter II and to the following criteria, which shall be evaluated as a whole:*

- (a) alternative products or substances authorised in accordance with this Article or techniques compliant with this Regulation are not available;*
- (b) it would be impossible to produce or preserve the food or to fulfil given dietary requirements provided for on the basis of Union legislation without having recourse to those products and substances;*
- (c) they are to be found in nature and may only have undergone mechanical, physical, biological, enzymatic or microbial processes, except in cases where products or substances from such sources are not available in sufficient quantities or qualities;*
- (d) the organic ingredient is not available in sufficient quantity.*

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## *Article 24*

### ***Autorisation of products and substances for use in organic production***

*5. The authorisation of the use of chemically synthesised products and substances, in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, shall be strictly limited to cases where the use of external inputs referred to in point (g) of Article 5 would contribute to unacceptable impacts on the environment.*

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## Article 24

### ***Autorisation of products and substances for use in organic production***

*7. Where a Member State considers that a product or substance should be added to or withdrawn from the lists of authorised products and substances referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2, or that the specifications of use referred to in the production rules should be amended, it shall ensure that a dossier giving the reasons for the inclusion, withdrawal or other amendments is officially sent to the Commission and to the other Member States and is made publicly available, subject to Union and national legislation on data protection.*

*The Commission shall publish any requests referred to in this paragraph.*

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## **EMPOWERMENT**

### Article 24

#### ***Autorisation of products and substances for use in organic production***

*8. The Commission shall regularly review the lists referred to in this Article.*

*9. The Commission shall adopt implementing acts concerning the authorisation or withdrawal of authorisation of products and substances in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 2 that may be used in organic production in general and in the production of processed organic food in particular, and establishing the procedures to be followed for such authorisations and the lists of such products and substances and, where appropriate, their description, compositional requirements and conditions for use.*

*Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 55(2).*

# Basis for technical discussion

- *Annex VIIa of Regulation (EC) 889/2008 updated by Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1584*
- *Integrate the latest version of Annex VIIa in an implementing act with all the annexes in 2020*