

Side-by-side comparison of CR (EC) N° 505/2012 and the equivalent application by AGRECO

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TEXT	COMMENT	AGRECO-Standard	Justification /remark
(1) Article 19 is replaced by the following: ‘Article 19 Feed from own holding and other sources 1. In case of herbivores, except during the period each year when the animals are under transhumance subject to Article 17(4), at least 60 % of the feed shall come from the farm unit itself or in case this is not feasible, be produced in cooperation with other organic farms in the same region 2. In case of pigs and poultry, at least 20 % of the feed shall come from the farm unit itself or in case this is not feasible, be produced in the same region in cooperation with other organic farms or feed business operators. 3. In the case of bees, at the end of the production season hives shall be left with sufficient reserves of honey and pollen to survive the winter. The feeding of bee colonies shall only be permitted where the survival of the hives is endangered due to climatic conditions. Feeding shall be with organic honey, organic sugar syrups, or organic sugar.’;	c		
	e	"Region" will be defined on a single-case basis, since countries are of different size and structure.	
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	e	The feeding of bee colonies shall only be permitted where the survival of the hives is endangered due to climatic conditions. Feeding shall be with organic honey, organic sugar syrups, or organic sugar.’; The use of NON-ORGANIC feed in the period without nectar flow may be permissible in the case of non-availability of organic feed, upon request and on a granted permit of exemption. In case of need, AGRECO will order analytic evidence.	Availability of organic honey/sugar/syrups may not be given in some countries, espec. not in remote areas. In case of non-availability, the use of non-organic feeding may be permitted
(2) Article 22 is replaced by the following: ‘Article 22 Use of certain products and substances in feed For the purposes of Article 14(1)(d)(iv) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 only the following substances may be used in the processing of organic feed and feeding organic animals: (a) non-organic feed materials of plant or animal origin, or other feed materials that are listed in Section 2 of Annex V, provided that: (i) they are produced or prepared without chemical solvents; and (ii) the restrictions laid down in Article 43 or Article 47(c) are complied with; (b) non-organic spices, herbs, and molasses, provided that: (i) their organic form is not available; (ii) they are produced or prepared without chemical solvents; and (iii) their use is limited to 1 % of the feed ration of a given species, calculated annually as a percentage of the dry matter of feed from agricultural origin; (c) organic feed materials of animal origin; (d) feed materials of mineral origin that are listed in Section 1 of Annex V; (e) products from sustainable fisheries, provided that: (i) they are produced or prepared without chemical solvents; (ii) their use is restricted to non-herbivores; and (iii) the use of fish protein hydrolysate is restricted solely to young animals; (f) salt as sea salt, coarse rock salt; (g) feed additives listed in Annex VI.’;	c		
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(3) in Article 24, paragraph 2 is replaced by the following: ‘2. Phytotherapeutic products, trace elements and products listed in Section 1 of Annex V and in Section 3 of Annex VI shall be used in preference to chemically- synthesised allopathic veterinary treatment or antibiotics, provided that their therapeutic effect is effective for the species of animal, and the condition for which the treatment is intended.’;	c		
(4) in Article 25k(1), point (d) is replaced by the following: (d) organic feed materials of plant or animal origin.’;	c		
(5) in Article 25m, paragraph 1 is replaced by the following: ‘1. Feed materials of mineral origin may be used in organic aquaculture only if listed in Section 1 of Annex V.’;	n/a		
(6) in point (b) of Article 42, the date of ‘31 December 2011’ is replaced by ‘31 December 2014’;	c		
(7) Article 43 is replaced by the following: ‘Article 43 Use of non-organic protein feed of plant and animal origin for livestock Where the conditions laid down in Article 22(2)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 apply and where farmers are unable to obtain protein feed exclusively from organic production, the use of a limited proportion of non- organic protein feed is allowed for porcine and poultry species. The maximum percentage of non-organic protein feed authorised per period of 12 months for those species shall be 5 % for calendar years 2012, 2013 and 2014. The figures shall be calculated annually as a percentage of the dry matter of feed from agricultural origin. The operator shall keep documentary evidence of the need for the use of this provision.’;	c		
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(8) Articles 59 and 60 are replaced by the following: ‘Article 59 Scope, use of trade marks and sales descriptions This Chapter shall not apply to pet food and feed for fur animals. The trade marks and sales descriptions bearing an indication referred to in Article 23(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 may be used only if all ingredients of plant or animal origin are from the organic production method and at least 95 % of the product’s dry matter is comprised of such ingredients.	n/a		
Article 60 Indications on processed feed 1. The terms referred to in Article 23(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 and the Organic logo of the EU may be used on processed feed provided that all the following requirements are complied with: (a) the processed feed complies with the provisions of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 and in particular with Article 14(1)(d)(iv) and (v) for livestock or with Article 15(1)(d) for aquaculture animals and Article 18 thereof; (b) the processed feed complies with the provisions of this Regulation and in particular with Articles 22 and 26 thereof; (c) all ingredients of plant or animal origin contained in the processed feed are from the organic production method; (d) at least 95 % of the product’s dry matter is comprised of organic agricultural products. 2. Subject to the requirements laid down in points (a) and (b) of paragraph 1, the following statement is permitted in the case of products comprising variable quantities of feed materials from the organic production method and/or feed materials from products in conversion to organic farming and/or products as referred to in Article 22 of this Regulation: “may be used in organic production in accordance with Regulations (EC) No 834/2007 and (EC) No 889/2008”.’; (9) Annexes V and VI are replaced by the text set out in the Annex to this Regulation.	c		
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Article 2 Correcting provisions In Section A of Annex VIII to Regulation (EC) No 889/2008, the row relating to the food additive E 392 is replaced by the following: ‘B E 392’ / Extracts of rosemary / x / x / Only when derived from organic production’	c		
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Article 3 This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union. However, points (6) and (7) of Article 1 shall apply as from 1 January 2012.			