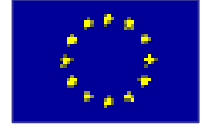




Council Directive 68/89/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Members States concerning the classification of wood in the rough

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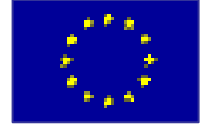




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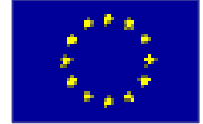
- Sets rules for the classification and measurement of wood in the rough to be applied to wood marketed as “EEC classified” within the Community.
- Wood in the rough must not be marketed within the Community as “EEC classified” unless it corresponds to one of the classifications provided by the Directive.
- “Wood in the rough” is defined as felled timber with the top and branches cut away, whether or not stripped of its bark, cross-cut or cleft.



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- The Directive includes criteria for the classification by dimensions and by quality.
- Article 4 of the Directive states that a Member State may make the use of the classifications provided for in this Directive compulsory for the marketing of part or all of its own production of wood in the rough.
- Article 6 states that Member States shall repeal all provisions which require wood in the rough coming from another Member State to be classified.

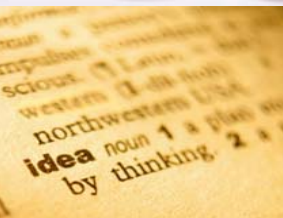
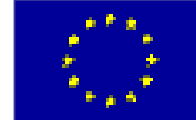


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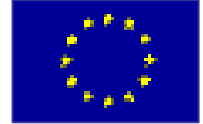
- Since the adoption of the Directive, several CEN standards on the classification of round wood, based on methods used in the forestry sector today, have been adopted.
- Harmonisation of measurement and quality classifications of wood in the rough can be therefore achieved through the application of CEN standards.



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Standard reference	Title
EN 1310:1997	Round and sawn timber - Method of measurement of features
EN 1315-1:1997	Dimensional classification - Part 1: Hardwood round timber
EN 1315-2:1997	Dimensional classification - Part 2: Softwood round timber
EN 1316-1:1997	Hardwood round timber - Qualitative classification - Part 1: Oak and beech
EN 1316-2:1997	Hardwood round timber - Qualitative classification - Part 2: Poplar
EN 1316-3:1997	Hardwood round timber - Qualitative classification - Part 3: Ash and maples and sycamore
EN 13556:2003	Round and sawn timber - Nomenclature of timbers used in Europe
EN 844-1:1995	Round and sawn timber - Terminology - Part 1: General terms common to round timber and sawn timber
EN 844-2:1997	Round and sawn timber - Terminology - Part 2: General terms relating to round timber
EN 844-5:1997	Round and sawn timber - Terminology - Part 5: Terms relating to dimensions of round timber
ENV 1927-1:1998	Qualitative classification of softwood round timber - Part 1: Spruces and firs
ENV 1927-2:1998	Qualitative classification of softwood round timber - Part 2: Pines
ENV 1927-3:1998	Qualitative classification of softwood round timber - Part 3: Larches and douglas firs



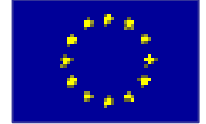
The work is still under way on the following CEN standard:



Project ref.:
prEN 1309-2

**Round and sawn timber - Method of measurement of
dimensions - Part 2: Round timber - Requirements for
measurement and volume calculation rules**

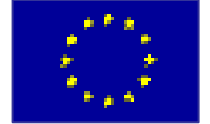
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- In the framework of “Better Regulation” DG Enterprise and Industry has sent a questionnaire to Member States and Industry Federations.
- The objectives of the questionnaire are to assess the implementation of the Directive and the consequences of a possible repeal.





Thank you for your attention!

