

CEREALS

Unit C.1



Main Regulations in the cereals sector

- **CMO** on Cereals : Council Regulation 1784/2003
- **Intervention:**
 - ❧ Commission Reg 2273/93 fixing the intervention centres in the MS
 - ❧ Commission Reg 2131/93 on the procedures and conditions for the sale of cereals held in intervention centres in the MS;
- **Export:**
 - ❧ Commission Reg 1342/2003 on the regime of export certificates
 - ❧ Commission Reg 1501/95 on export refunds for cereals;



CMO CEREALS. PRODUCTS COVERED.

- Sweet Corn, fresh or chilled
- Dried sweet corn
- Common wheat and meslin seed
- Spelt, common wheat and meslin other than for sowing
- Rye
- Barley
- Oats
- Maize (corn) seed other than hybrid
- Maize other than seed
- Grain sorghum, other than hybrids for sowing
- Buckwheat, millet and canary seed ; other cereals
- Durum wheat
- Wheat or meslin flour
- Rye flour
- Groats and meal of wheat
- Malt, whether or not roasted
- Products listed in Annex I



- *Import duties:*

- ✎ *Commission Reg 1249/96.*

- *Tariff rates quotas:*

- ✎ *Commission Reg 2375/2002, 2377/2002 and 2305/2003.*



Council Regulation 1784/2003 replaced Regulation 1766/92 (repealed).

- Rye intervention has been abolished from 2004/05 onwards
- Intervention price remained at previous level - 101,31 €/t (Article 4)
- The Monthly increments, November to June, have been cut by half - 0,46 €/t (Annex II)



Intervention (continues)

- Intervention is allowed for common wheat, durum wheat, maize, barley and sorghum.
- Intervention centres are determined according to Commission Regulation 2273/93
- Buying in periods: South of EU: 1 Aug-30 April
Sweden: 1 Dec-30 June) and all other MS: 1 Nov to 31 May (Art.5)



Intervention (continues)

- Minimum quantity **and quality requirements** for cereals to be eligible NB: *New provisions on micotoxins*
- Commission reg 824/2000 determines the procedure for analysis of cereals by intervention centres.



TRADE with THIRD COUNTRIES

Imports/exports of products listed in article 1 of Reg 1784/2003 are subject to import/export certificates

- Commission regulation 1342/2003 on import and export certificates in the cereals sector has repealed Regulation 1162/95.
- All certificates are given subject to the lodging of a security
- Certificates are issued by MS to any applicant established in the EU and are valid throughout the EU.



- **Import duties** for cereals are in principle equal to the intervention price increased by 55 %, minus the respective CIF import price (Rotterdam price), Article 10 of Reg 1784/2003).

Exceptions

- Tariff Quotas for barley (feed and malting) and for soft wheat (medium and low quality)
 - Barley: 300.000 t + 50.000 t malting barley
 - Wheat: 2.981.600 of which 572 000 US and 38 000 Canada



Abbattimento (WTO) Import at reduced duty

- *Council Reg 1784/2003 and Commission Reg 1839/1995*
- *import of maize and sorghum at a reduced import levy into Spain and Portugal*
- *Quantities/year into Spain:
2 Mio t maize and 300.000t sorghum.*
- *Quantities/year into Portugal:
500.000t maize*



- **Commission Reg 1342/2003 on export certificates in the cereals sector**
- **Commission Reg 1501/95 on export refunds for cereals.**

