

Update food waste reduction targets

Targeted revision waste framework directive





Council work on targeted revision waste framework directive

- ES PCY
 - Presentation of COM proposal
- BE PCY
 - 8 WPE meetings, 1 ministerial debate, 1 coreper meeting
 - General Approach at ENVI Council of 17 June 2024
 - Rewatch the debate



Main elements of the presidency compromise text – food waste

- Maintaining the level of food waste reduction targets for 2030, set in Article 9a(4), as set out in the Commission proposal: reducing food waste generation by 10 % in processing and manufacturing and by 30 % jointly in retail and other distribution of food, in restaurants and food services and in households, in comparison to the amount generated in 2020;
- Maintaining the original wording of Article 9a(7) with regards to the review of
 the food waste reduction targets set out in Article 9a(4), by 31 December
 2027, and extending the scope of the review clause with the assessment of
 the feasibility of setting a target for the edible fraction of food waste;
- Further enhancing food waste prevention by establishing the list of mandatory food waste prevention measures in Article 9a(1) as explicitly nonexhaustive



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- Further expanding the flexibility for Member States in relation to the reference year for setting the food waste reduction targets, Member States can use the years 2021, 2022, and 2023 as a reference year, on top of the initially proposed possibility to use a year prior to 2020 in Article 9a(5);
- Introducing two correction factors to support Member States in achieving the food waste reduction targets set for 2030: a tourism correction factor in Article 9a(5a) and a production level correction factor in Article 9a(5b);
- Report by the Commission foreseen for 31 December 2027 as per Article 9a(7a) presenting the outcomes of a study on food waste and losses in primary production, possibly accompanied by a legislative proposal
- Extending the transposition period from 18 to 24 months after entry into force of the Directive.
- Legal/technical adaptations to the text



