

Advice 23-2019 of the Scientific Committee established at the FASFC on a draft royal decree on sampling and the analysis thereof

Background & Terms of reference

The Scientific Committee has been asked to assess a draft royal decree replacing the royal decree of 20 September 2012 on sampling and the analysis thereof.

Method

The advice is based on expert opinion.

Advice

The Scientific Committee proposes a modification of the definitions for basic sample, final sample and sample to be analyzed. As a result of this change, the use of these terms must be adjusted throughout the text. In addition, the Scientific Committee makes multiple remarks in order to clarify the draft royal decree.

Conclusion

Within the limits of its competence, the Scientific Committee assessed the draft royal decree. The Scientific Committee formulated comments and recommendations in order to clarify the draft royal decree.

Recommendations

The Scientific Committee recommends providing manuals for inspectors and laboratories with clear instructions for all specific cases of sampling and analysis thereof. In addition, the Scientific Committee recommends that BELAC and the National Reference Laboratories are informed as soon as possible of the content of this draft royal decree in order to enable them to facilitate its implementation.

The full text is available on this website in Dutch and in French.