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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 206/2025**  
**of 19 September 2025**  
**amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the**  
**EEA Agreement [2026/37]**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ("the EEA Agreement"), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/666 of 4 April 2025 amending Annex II and Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the use of sodium carboxy methyl cellulose, cellulose gum (E 466) and the Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012 as regards specifications for cellulose (E 460), methyl cellulose (E 461), ethyl cellulose (E 462), hydroxypropyl cellulose (E 463), hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose (E 464), ethyl methyl cellulose (E 465), sodium carboxy methyl cellulose, cellulose gum (E 466), cross-linked sodium carboxy methyl cellulose, cross linked cellulose gum (E 468) and enzymatically hydrolysed carboxy methyl cellulose (E 469) <sup>(1)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) This Decision concerns legislation regarding foodstuffs. Legislation regarding foodstuffs shall not apply to Liechtenstein as long as the application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products is extended to Liechtenstein, as specified in the introduction to Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (3) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following indent is added in points 54zzzzr (Regulation (EC) No 1333/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council) and 69 (Commission Regulation (EU) No 231/2012) of Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

‘— **32025 R 0666**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/666 of 4 April 2025 (OJ L, 2025/666, 7.4.2025).’

*Article 2*

The text of Regulation (EU) 2025/666 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall enter into force on 20 September 2025, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made <sup>(\*)</sup>.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L, 2025/666, 7.4.2025, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/666/oj>.

<sup>(\*)</sup> No constitutional requirements indicated.

*Article 4*

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 19 September 2025.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Stefán Haukur JÓHANNESSON

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