

Necessary changes to the Greek implementing rules in the cotton sector to bring them in conformity with the EU legislation

To suppress the exclusion from the aid to the ginner of the quantities of cotton produced in areas not declared by the producers under the Integrated Administration and Control System or in areas in which other crops were declared.

In case of irregularity in the area declaration, this should lead to sanctions for the producers - not vis à vis the ginner.

The application of the yield rationalisation procedure may be useful as a kind of alarm system acceptable for control purposes if the production exceeds his average yield. If irregularities in the area declaration are established, this can be used to eventually apply sanctions to producers but not vis à vis the ginner.

If all the requirements for the granting of the aid have been met by the ginner, all the cotton produced in Greece and sold to them is eligible to the aid and the minimum price.

All cotton produced and sold to ginner must be counted vis à vis the Greek national guaranteed quantity (NGQ).