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ODG

(Defence and management body)

All SIQO applications, with the exception of those for Organic Farming products, are handled by an ODG (Defence and management body).

What is an ODG?

A Defence and management body is an initiative set up by a **group of producers and/or processors**, involved in the same production methods. They join together to apply for the recognition of a SIQO (Official quality and origin sign) from the drafting of the specifications to the protection and valorisation of said product.

LEGISLATION

- Rural and Maritime Fisheries Code, articles L642-17 and those following; R 642-33 and those following (assignments, principles and procedures for the recognition of an ODG)
- Law 1901 and Labour Code, articles L2111-1 and those following relating to the nature of ODGs

The status of the Defence and management body shall be acknowledged by the General-Director of INAO (National institute of origin and quality products) following a recommendation by the competent national committee of said institute.

What are its assignments?

The Defence and management body **develops and plays a role in the drafting of the specification** relating to the product for which recognition is being sought (information includes the product's unique characteristics; the rules and regulations governing the geographical area in which AOC/PDO and PGI products are produced and processed, eventually rules governing packaging and labelling).

The group designates a body, approved by INAO, to **control** the specifications and provide recommendations

KEY FIGURES

250 Defence and management organisations proposed **440** specifications for the wine, cider and brandy sector.

255 Defence and management organisations proposed **660** specifications for the agri-food and dairy sector.

regarding the control or inspection plan drawn up with the control body.

The group participates in the defence and protection of the name, of the product and of the terroir. It also gets involved in product valorisation activities, as well as raising the economic awareness of the sector (provision of information regarding numbers of products marketed; number of operators by category; means of production; product valorisation and outlets, etc).

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