

ANNEX I

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION: Art. 5 ( ) Art. 17 (X)

PDO (X) PGI ( )

National application No: TY (PDO) 22

1. Responsible department in the Member State:  
Name: Ministry of Agriculture: Directorate for the Processing, Standardization and Quality Control of Products of Plant Origin.  
Tel.: 5241 347 Fax: 5243162
2. Applicant group:
  - (a) Name: THE "AMALTHEIA" ASSOCIATION OF MILK-SELLERS AND CHEESE-MAKERS OF THE KARDITSA PREFECTURE
  - (b) Address: K. TERTIPI 53  
43100 KARDITSA  
TEL.: 0441-22801
  - (c) Composition: producer/processor (X) other ( )
3. Name of product:  
GRAVIERA AGRAFON CHEESE PDO
4. Type of product: (see list in Annex VI)  
1.3 Cheese
5. Specification:  
(summary of Article 4(2))  
Summary of the specifications laid down in the herewith appended Ministerial Decision 313045/14.1.94 on "the recognition of the protected designation of origin (PDO) of GRAVIERA AGRAFON cheese."
  - (a) Name: (see 3) GRAVIERA AGRAFON PDO
  - (b) Description: A hard table cheese produced traditionally and exclusively from sheep's milk or from a mixture of sheep's milk and goat's milk.
  - (c) Geographical area: The Agrafon area of the Karditsa prefecture as defined in the appended annex of Ministerial Decision 313045/14.1.94.
  - (d) Evidence: This cheese has been known for over a century. It is produced using traditional technology and ripened in installations within the defined geographical area.

(e) Method of production: The milk is coagulated at 34-36°C with rennet. The curd is broken up after 25-35 minutes and reheated to 48-52°C. It is then pressed for several hours, left to dry on wooden shelves for up to 2 days and placed in brine at 18-20°C for 2-4 days. Ripening is begun initially at 12-15°C, continued at 16-18°C and completed at 12-15°C. The minimum ripening time is 3 months.

(f) Link: The cheese is made using traditional technology within the above-stated geographical area from the milk of sheep and goat breeds reared traditionally.

(g) Inspection structure: Name: The Directorate of  
Agriculture of the  
Karditsa prefecture.  
Address: Fidiou 4,  
Post Code 431 00

(h) Labelling: GRAVIERA AGRAFON PDO. Inspection data: GP. AFP (GR. AGR), the packaging serial number and the date of production.

(i) National requirements (if any): The provisions of Presidential Decree 81/93 on "the requirements, conditions and procedure for the establishment of origin designations for agricultural products" are applicable.

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE COMMISSION

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