

**SUMMARY TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS  
FOR REGISTRATION OF GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS**

**NAME OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATION:**

**Ελιά Καλαμάτας (Elia Kalamatas)**

**CATEGORY OF THE PRODUCT FOR WHICH THE NAME IS PROTECTED:**

Class 1.6: Fruits, vegetables and cereals fresh or processed – table olives

**APPLICANT:**

Agricultural Cooperatives' Union of Messinia

Address: Iatropoulou 10, Kalamata 24100, Greece

**PROTECTION IN EU MEMBER STATE OF ORIGIN**

This geographical indication has been protected in the Member State of origin since **26.11.1993**.

It has been registered and protected in the European Union since **21.06.1996** (EL/PDO/0017/0030)

Proof of protection is provided by its inclusion in "the Register of protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications" established by Regulation (EU) No 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs. The European Commission records the legal instrument for registering the individual name in 'the Register' and publishes a reference to this instrument in the publicly accessible database DOOR.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCT OR FOODSTUFF**

**Elia Kalamatas** : table black, ripened, brined olives produced from the "KALAMON" variety of olive. Average olive weight is 6 grammars; size of olive to stone is 7.8-10 to 1. Olive flesh is easily detached from the stone and taste is excellent and colour is glossy black. .

The olives are picked from the tree by hand when fully ripe and black in colour. The olives are then scored, washed and soaked in brine to ripen. The ready product is distributed in tins filled with extra virgin Kalamata olive oil.

All steps of production must take place in the delimited geographical zone.

**CONCISE DEFINITION OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA**

The administrative boundaries of Messinia, Greece.

**LINK WITH THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA**

**Elia Kalamatas** is produced from a variety traditionally cultivated in the area, using traditional processing methods within the boundaries of the geographical area.

The product is traditionally produced in the area of Messinia since ancient years and is well known in internal and international market.

The product is produced solely from olives in the defined geographical zone.

**SPECIFIC RULES CONCERNING LABELLING (IF ANY)**

Table olive PDO "KALAMATA" and control code number KA / label serial number / last two digits year of production.

National legislative requirements: (indicative) general provisions of Presidential Decree 81/93 governing the production procedure for PDO or PGI apply accordingly.

**CONTROL AUTHORITY/CONTROL BODY**

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