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Article 2

Content of electronic data exchange system

1. The electronic data exchange system (hereinafter referred to as 'SFC2014') shall contain at least information specified in the models, formats and templates established in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013, Regulation (EU) No 1305/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (3) and the future Union legal act establishing the conditions for the financial support for maritime and fisheries policy for the programming period 2014-2020 (the 'EMFF Regulation').

2. The information provided in the electronic forms embedded in SFC2014 (hereinafter referred to as 'structured data') may not be replaced by non-structured data, including the use of hyperlinks or other types of non-structured data such as attachment of documents or images. Where a Member State transmits the same information in the form of structured data and non-structured data, the structured data shall be used in case of inconsistencies.

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