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## **BCVMC BULLETIN: British Columbia Vegetable Order (SOR / 2020-0259)**

The British Columbia Vegetable Order (SOR / 2020-0259) was promulgated under the Agricultural Products Marketing Act and came into force on December 4, 2020. Information on the Order In Council and date of publication can be found in the following database: [Orders In Council - Search \(canada.ca\)](#). The British Columbia Vegetable Order (SOR / 2020-0259) will be published in Canada Gazette Part II, scheduled for December 23, 2020.

Previously, orders or regulations made by the Commission under the authority of the British Columbia Vegetable Order were subject to the examination, registration and publication requirements applicable to regulations under the Statutory Instruments Act. In practical terms, this meant that any order made by the Commission which depended on delegated federal legislative authority would only come into force after the order had been “Gazetted”. The newly promulgated British Columbia Vegetable Order (SOR / 2020-0259) removes this requirement.

Pursuant to section 2 of the British Columbia Vegetable Order (SOR / 2020-0259), the Commission is authorized to regulate the marketing of vegetables in interprovincial and export trade and, for that purpose, with respect to persons and property situated within British Columbia, may exercise all or any powers like the powers exercisable by it in relation to the marketing of vegetables locally within the Province.

Among other things, the promulgation of the British Columbia Vegetable Order (SOR / 2020-0259) means that the Commission is now able to rely on its delegated federal legislative authority to support extra-provincial minimum pricing orders without the requirement to “Gazette” such orders.

Yours truly,



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