

ROMANIAN GOVERNMENT

DECISION

On the approval of the criteria for delimitation of the mountain area

Based on the Stipulations of Art.107 of the Romanian Constitution

The Romanian Government adopts the following Decision.

Art.1 – Mountain areas are those areas characterized by considerable limitation of the possibilities to use lands and by a high increase of the costs for working these lands, due to:

- a) the existence of some especially difficult climatic conditions, determined by altitudes of more than 600 meters, whose effect is the shortening of the growing season;
- b) the presence, at a lower altitude, on most of the agricultural lands, of slopes of more than 20 degrees, slopes that are too steep to use agricultural equipment or require the use of expensive equipment;
- c) a combination of the factors mentioned above, for the cases where the disadvantage of each factor taken separately is less acute, but the combination of these two factors results in an equivalent disadvantage.

Art.2 – (1) The delimitation up to the level of commune, respectively up to the level of the component villages, according to the criteria stipulated in Art. 1, as well as the list of the urban and rural municipalities in the mountain areas are to be set by a common order of the minister of Agriculture, Food and Forests and of the minister of Public Administration, within 6 months from the date this decision will be in force, based on the common proposals of the general divisions for agriculture and food industry, land improvement county offices within the county councils in the counties with mountain area, nominated in the Annex which is part of the present Decision.

(2) – The delimitation of the mountain area, approved according to paragraph 1, is to be written down in the agricultural books of the cities, towns or communes situated in the mountain area and transposed in the specialized land improvement plans.

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List of the counties with mountain area

1. Alba
2. Arad
3. Arges
4. Bacau
5. Bihor
6. Bistrita-Nasaud
7. Brasov
8. Buzau
9. Caras-Severin
10. Cluj
11. Covasna
12. Dambovita
13. Gorj
14. Harghita
15. Hunedoara
16. Maramures
17. Mehedinti
18. Mures
19. Neamt
20. Prahova
21. Satu Mare
22. Salaj
23. Sibiu
24. Suceava
25. Timis
26. Tulcea
27. Valcea
28. Vrancea