

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

PDO (X) PGI ( )  
National file No: 1

1. Competent national authority :  
Name: Ministero dell'agricoltura e delle foreste -  
Direzione generale della produzione agricola -  
Div. VI^-  
Tel.: 0039/6/4819968 Fax : 0039/6/4819580  
Address: Via XX Settembre, 20 - 00187 - ROMA
2. Applicant group :  
Name: Consorzio per la Tutela del Formaggio Asiago.  
Address: Corso Fogazzaro, 18 - 36100 Vicenza.  
  
Composition: producer/processor (X) other ( )
3. Name of product: Asiago
4. Type of product: (cf. list) Cheese
5. Description of product: summary of requirements under Art. 4  
(2)
  - a) name: cf. 3 Asiago
  - b) description: cows' milk cheese separated into two types:  
half-fat cheese made from semi-skimmed milk, described as  
"light", medium mature, cylindrical in shape with a low  
base and full-fat cheese made from whole milk, described  
as "pressed", mild, cylindrical in shape and with a  
straight base.
  - c) geographical area: the entire territory of the province of  
Vicenza and of the autonomous province of Trento and  
neighbouring communes in the province of Padua and Treviso,  
which form a single area.
  - d) background: the cheese, historically produced in the area  
defined by the production regulation, bears the name of the  
Asiago plateau from which it has spread into adjacent areas  
while retaining its original characteristics due to an  
established production technique.
  - e) production method: the curds, obtained from whole milk or  
semi-skimmed milk with added calf's rennet, are suitably  
cut and semi-cooked. Only in the "pressed" type are the  
curds pressed. Then salt is added and maturing commences.
  - f) link: as for natural factors, the territory defined enjoys  
largely homogeneous climatic and soil conditions which  
affect the fodder used to feed the dairy cows.  
As for human involvement, it is pointed out that due to a  
migration of the local population because of events which  
occurred during the First World War, the cheese which  
originated on the Asiago plateau spread to the adjacent  
foothill areas.

- g) control body: Name: Ministero dell'Agricoltura e delle Foreste - Ispettorato Centrale Repressione Frodi - ;  
Consorzio per la Tutela del Formaggio Asiago, entrusted with the task of supervision.  
Address: Via XX Settembre, 20 - 00187 Roma;  
Corso Fogazzaro, 18 - 36100 Vicenza.
- h) labelling: the product is marketed with a suitable label giving the name of origin.
- i) national legislative requirements (where applicable):  
law No. 125/54 and Presidential Decree (D.P.R.) of 22.9.1981; D.P.R. of 21.12.1978 and Ministerial Decree of 29.10.1980, on entrusting parties with the responsibility for supervision of the production and marketing of "Asiago" cheese.

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