Maximum residue level for fenazaquin

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EU increases MRLs for fenazaquin on tomatoes, sweet peppers, and eggplants

Commission Regulation (EU) 2026/742 of 30 March 2026 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for cyflufenamid, fenazaquin and nicotine in or on certain products

Update

The European Union (EU) has increased the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for fenazaquin on tomatoes, sweet peppers, and eggplants.

Impacted products

Tomatoes, sweet peppers/bell peppers, aubergines/eggplants, hops

What is changing?

The EU has increased the MRLs for fenazaquin as summarised in Table 1.

Why?

A modification of the existing MRLs was requested for sweet/bell peppers, tomatoes, and aubergines/ eggplants. The European Food Safety Authority has concluded that the new MRLs proposed for these products are acceptable with regard to consumer safety (EFSA 2025).

Timeline

The new MRLs summarised in Table 1 apply from **20 April 2026**.

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Background

MRLs are set in accordance with the rules set out in Regulation 396/2005. For information on current MRLs for other substances, please consult the EU Pesticide Residues database.

In May 2024, the EU raised the MRL for fenazaquin on hops from 0.05 to 30 mg/kg because EFSA (2023) concluded that there are no risks to consumers at the proposed level. The MRL on hops has applied since 16 June 2024 (Regulation 2024/1439).

Resources

EFSA (2023) Setting of an import tolerance for fenazaquin in hops. EFSA Journal, 21(12): e8424

EFSA (2025) Modification of the existing maximum residue levels for fenazaquin in strawberries, sweet peppers, tomatoes and aubergines. EFSA Journal, 23(7): e9604

Commission Regulation (EU) 2024/1439 as regards maximum residue levels for fenazaquin, mepiquat and propamocarb in or on certain products

Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2026/742 as regards maximum residue levels for cyflufenamid, fenazaquin and nicotine in or on certain products

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Table 1
Changes to fenazaquin maximum residue levels

Food category	Products	Fenazaquin (mg/kg)	
		Previous MRL	New MRL
Fruiting vegetables	Tomatoes	0.05	0.2
	Sweet peppers/bell peppers	0.01*	0.4
	Aubergines/eggplants	0.01*	0.2

* Limit of determination (LOD).

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