

Maximum residue levels for acetamiprid

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Commission Regulation (EU) [2026/876](#) amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 as regards maximum residue levels for acetamiprid, aclonifen, deltamethrin, oxathiapiprolin and potassium phosphonates in or on certain products

What is changing and why?

The European Union (EU) is increasing the maximum residue level (MRL) for acetamiprid on honey and other apiculture products from 0.3 to 1 mg/kg, after a modification of the existing MRLs was requested. The European Food Safety Authority has concluded that the new MRL proposed for honey and other apiculture products is safe for consumers.

This follows MRL increases for acetamiprid in June 2025 on a range of products including honey (Regulation [2025/1212](#)). In January 2025, the MRLs for acetamiprid were reduced on many other products including asparagus, bananas, chards, currants, escaroles, lettuces, and spinach (see Table 1 for details).

Actions

Suppliers to the EU market of **asparagus, bananas, chards, currants, escaroles, lettuces, and spinach** should review their current use of acetamiprid and seek alternative solutions. Suppliers of other affected products should review their use of acetamiprid and assess whether any changes will be needed to existing good agricultural practices (GAP).

A new review of this substance will be carried out in February 2027. Suppliers should continue to monitor levels of acetamiprid and the GAP for its use in apples, pears, quinces, apricots, sweet peppers, cucumbers, and courgettes, so that data can be submitted to the European Commission before 24 September 2026.

Timeline


The new MRL for honey and other apiculture products applies from **12 May 2026**.

The MRLs adopted under Regulation [2025/158](#) have applied since **19 August 2025**.

The MRLs adopted under Regulation [2025/1212](#) have applied since **20 August 2025**.

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Tables & Figures

Table 1 Changes to maximum residue levels for acetamiprid			
Food category	Products	Acetamiprid (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Applies from 19 August 2025			
Pome fruits	Apples, pears	0.4	0.07
	Quinces	0.8	0.15
	Medlars	0.8	0.3
Stone fruits	Apricots	0.8	0.08
	Cherries	1.5	0.8
	Peaches	0.2	0.08
Berries and small fruits	Table grapes, wine grapes	0.5	0.08
	Blackberries, raspberries (red, yellow)	2	0.6
	Blueberries, cranberries, gooseberries (green, red, yellow)	2	0.7
	Currants (black, red, white)	2	0.01*
	Elderberries	2	0.5
Miscellaneous fruit	Table olives	3	0.9
	Bananas	0.4	0.01*
Fruiting vegetables	Tomatoes	0.5	0.06
	Sweet peppers/bell peppers	0.3	0.09
	Cucumber, courgettes	0.3	0.05
	Melons, pumpkins, watermelons	0.2	0.08
Brassica vegetables	Broccoli, cauliflowers	0.4	0.06
	Head cabbages	0.4	0.03
Leaf vegetables, herbs, and edible flowers	Lamb's lettuces/corn salads, Roman rocket/rucola	3	1.5
	Lettuces	1.5	0.01*
	Escaroles/broad-leaved endives	0.4	0.01*
	Red mustards	3	0.9
	Spinaches, chards/beet leaves	0.6	0.01*
Stem vegetables	Asparagus	0.8	0.01*
Products of animal origin (bovine)	Liver	1	0.03
	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney)	1	0.05
Applies from 20 August 2025			
Stone fruits	Plums	0.03	0.04
Oilseeds	Linseeds	0.01*	0.06
	Poppy seeds	0.01*	0.3
	Soybeans	0.01*	0.01
	Mustard seeds	0.01*	0.15
	Gold of pleasure seeds	0.01*	0.06
Applies from 12 May 2026			
Honey and other apiculture products		0.3	1
* Limit of determination.			
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Source: Regulations [2025/158](#), [2025/1212](#), [2026/876](#)

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