

# Maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin

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## EU raises MRL for azoxystrobin on papayas and chicory roots

Commission Regulation (EU) [2024/2633](#) of 8 October 2024 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin, famoxadone, flutriafol, mandipropamid and mefentrifluconazole in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) [2024/1078](#) of 15 April 2024 amending Annexes II and IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin, flonicamid, isofetamid, mefentrifluconazole, metazachlor, pyrimethanil and quartz sand in or on certain products

## Update

The EU has increased the maximum residue level (MRL) for azoxystrobin on papayas and chicory roots. This follows an increase of MRL for azoxystrobin on hops in April 2024.

## Impacted products

papayas, chicory roots, hops, lamb's lettuces, corn salads, lettuces, escaroles, broadleaved endives, cresses, sprouts and shoots, land cresses, Roman rocket, rucola, red mustards, baby leaf crops

## What is changing?

The MRLs for azoxystrobin on papayas has been raised from 0.3 to 4 mg/kg and on chicory roots from 0.09 to 1 mg/kg (Regulation [2024/2633](#)).

In April 2024, the MRL for azoxystrobin on hops was raised from 30 to 40 mg/kg (Regulation [2024/1078](#)).

## Why?

On 2 December 2023, the Codex Alimentarius Commission adopted new Codex maximum residue limits (CXLs) for azoxystrobin on papayas and on chicory roots, for which the European Food Safety Authority ([EFSA 2023a](#)) did not identify risks to consumers in the EU.

Following a request for modification of the MRL for azoxystrobin in hops, [EFSA \(2023b\)](#) concluded that the proposed MRL is acceptable for consumer safety.

## Timeline

The new MRLs on papayas and chicory roots apply from **29 October 2024**. The MRL on hops is in application since **6 May 2024**.

## 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](#).

## Resources

EFSA (2020) [Evaluation of confirmatory data following the Article 12 MRL review and modification of the existing maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin](#). EFSA Journal, 18(8): 6231.

EFSA (2023a) [Scientific support for preparing an EU position in the 54th Session of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues \(CCPR\)](#). EFSA Journal, 21(8): 8111.

EFSA (2023b) [Modification of the existing maximum residue level for azoxystrobin in hops](#). EFSA Journal, 21(8): 8124.

## Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) [2024/2633](#)

Commission Regulation (EU) [2024/1078](#)

Commission Regulation (EU) [2022/1363](#)

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