

THE LATEST ON EU AGRI-FOOD POLICIES IMPACTING LOW-INCOME & MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES

Maximum residue levels for Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AH2

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EU decides active substance Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AH2 does not need MRLs

Commission Regulation (EU) <u>2023/1030</u> of 25 May 2023 amending Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AH2, Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain IT-45 and Purpureocillium lilacinum strain PL11

Update

On 26 May 2023, the European Commission published Regulation 2023/1030 deleting the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain AH2.

Impacted products

All Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AH2 treated products.

What is changing?

The active substance Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AH2 will no longer have MRLs.

Why?

On 7 September 2021, the Commission approved *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain AH2 as a low-risk active substance. At the time, no specific MRLs had been set, so the MRLs were automatically set to the default level of 0.01 mg/kg. The strain is not pathogenic to humans and is not expected to produce toxins relevant to human health. The risk to humans through metabolites is negligible.

During the peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain AH2, EFSA (2020) concluded this substance is safe for humans. Therefore, there is no need to establish MRLs for *Bacillus amyloliquefaciens* strain AH2.





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Timeline

This regulation enters into force on 15 June 2023 and is directly applicable.

Background

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

Resources

EFSA (2020) Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AH2. EFSA Journal, 18(7): 6156.

Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1030

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