

# Maximum residue levels for benalaxyl

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EU marginally reduces MRLs for benalaxyl on tomatoes and aubergines from August 2023

Commission Regulation (EU) [2023/128](#) of 18 January 2023 amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for benalaxyl, bromoxynil, chlorsulfuron, epoxiconazole and fenamiphos in or on certain products

## Update

The EU has marginally reduced the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for benalaxyl (including other mixtures of constituent isomers including benalaxyl-M) on tomatoes and aubergines/eggplants. MRLs for grapes, melons, watermelons and lettuces remain unchanged.

## Impacted products

tomatoes, aubergines/eggplants

## What is changing?

The changes to MRLs are set out in Table 1.

## Why?

Use of the active substance benalaxyl is no longer approved in the EU since 31 July 2021. However, benalaxyl-M is an active substance that is approved for use in the EU.

The EU MRL for benalaxyl takes into account authorised and safe uses of benalaxyl-M. Existing MRLs are therefore maintained for table grapes, potatoes, garlic, onions, slots, watermelons, lettuce and leeks.

The MRLs for the authorised use of benalaxyl-M on tomatoes and aubergines are lower than those previously established for benalaxyl. This Regulation amends those MRLs to reflect authorised uses of benalaxyl-M.

## Timeline

The new MRLs will apply from 8 August 2023.

## Recommended Actions

Suppliers of tomatoes and aubergines/ eggplants should assess whether the reduction of the benalaxyl MRL from 0.5 to 0.3 mg/kg has any implications for ensuring compliance.

## 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](#).



## Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) [2023/128](#)

## Table & Figures

Table 1 Maximum residue levels for benalaxyl			
Food category	Products	Benalaxyl <sup>1</sup> (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Fruiting vegetables	Tomatoes	0.5	0.3
	Aubergines/ eggplants	0.5	0.3

1 Benalaxyl including other mixtures of constituent isomers including benalaxyl-M (sum of isomers).  
Source: based on [SANTE/10176/2022 rev.2](#)

   
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