

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

Maximum residue levels for bixafen

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EU increases MRLs for bixafen on roots and tubers, pulses, cereals and oilseeds

Commission Regulation (EU) <u>2023/1069</u> of 1 June 2023 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for bixafen, cyprodinil, fenhexamid, fenpicoxamid, fenpyroximate, flutianil, isoxaflutole, mandipropamid, methoxyfenozide, and spinetoram in or on certain products

Update

On 2 June 2023 the EU published a Regulation increasing the MRL for bixafen on root and tuber vegetables, pulses, cereals and oilseeds.

Impacted products

potatoes, cassava roots, manioc, sweet potatoes, yams, arrowroots, beans, lentils, peas, lupins, lupini beans, sunflower seeds, soyabeans, cotton seeds, barley, sorghum, wheat

What is changing?

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

Why?

New Codex MRLs (CXLs) for bixafen have been adopted. <u>EFSA (2022</u>) has not identified a consumer health risk for these CXLs, so they have been adopted as EU MRLs.

Timeline

The new EU MRLs for bixafen will apply from 22 June 2023.





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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 (2022) <u>Scientific support for preparing an EU position in the 53rd session of the codex committee on pesticide residues (CCPR)</u>. EFSA Journal, 20(9): 7521.

Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1069

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Table & Figures

Table 1 Changes to maximum residue levels for bixafen			
Food category	Products	Bixafen (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Root and tuber vegetables	Potatoes, cassava roots/ manioc, sweet potatoes, yams, arrowroots	0.01*	0.06
Pulses	Beans, lentils, peas, lupins/ lupini beans	0.01*	0.04
Oilseeds	Sunflower seeds	0.01*	3
	Soyabeans	0.01*	0.08
	Cotton seeds	0.01*	0.3
Cereals	Barley	0.4	1.5
	Sorghum	0.01*	2
	Wheat	0.05	0.3
* Limit of determination. **Jagrinfo www.agrinfo.eu			

Source: based on Regulation 2023/1069

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