Maximum residue levels for famoxadone

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Regulation (EU) 2024/2633 as regards maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin, famoxadone, flutriafol, mandipropamid and mefentrifluconazole in or on certain products

Regulation 2024/352 as regards maximum residue levels for (Z)-13-hexadecen-11-yn-1-yl acetate, (Z,Z,Z,Z)-7,13,16,19-docosatetraen-1-yl isobutyrate, acrinathrin, azimsulfuron, famoxadone, prochloraz and sodium hypochlorite in or on certain products

What is changing and why?

The European Commission has raised the maximum residue level (MRL) for famoxadone on hops, based on Codex maximum residue levels (CXLs) that are considered safe.

Famoxadone is no longer authorised in the EU. MRLs are set at the limit of determination on most products, except those for which the European Food Safety Authority has concluded that they are safe (the LOD is the lowest level that can be detected using the most modern and reliable analytical methods). In these cases, import tolerances or CXLs are maintained.

The MRL for famoxadone on hops has been raised from 0.05 to 50 mg/kg.

Other changes to the MRLs for famoxadone are set out in Table 1. These have implications for exporters of table grapes, aubergines/ eggplants, gherkins, other cucurbits, melons, broccoli, cauliflowers, leeks, camomile, hibiscus, roselle, rose, jasmine, lime/ linden, and birds' eggs.

Timeline

The new MRL on hops applies from **29 October 2024**. The lower MRLs set out in Table 1 apply from **12 August 2024**.

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Table 1
Changes to maximum residue levels for famoxadone

Food category	Products	Famoxadone (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Berries and small fruits	Table grapes	2	0.01*
Fruiting vegetables	Aubergines/ eggplants	1.5	0.01*
	Gherkins, other cucurbits	0.2	0.01*
	Melons	0.7	0.01*
Brassica vegetables	Broccoli, cauliflowers	0.1	0.01*
Stem vegetables	Leeks	2	0.01*
Herbal infusions	Camomile, hibiscus/ roselle, rose, jasmine, lime/ linden	2	0.05*
Animal products	Bird eggs (chicken, duck, geese, quail)	0.02*	0.01*

* Limit of determination.

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