

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

Maximum residue levels for fuberidazole

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EU proposes to set MRLs for fuberidazole to the LOD for all products

<u>Draft</u> Commission Regulation 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 chlorpropham, fuberidazole, ipconazole, methoxyfenozide, S-metolachlor and triflusulfuron in or on certain products

<u>Draft</u> Annex (PLAN/2024/1823_v1)

Update

On 16 December 2024, the European Commission notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) that it intends to lower the limit of determination (LOD) for fuberidazole to 0.01 mg/kg for some cereals – wheat, rye, oats, and barley (<u>G/SPS/N/EU/802</u>). (The LOD is the lowest level that can be detected using the most modern and reliable analytical methods.)

Impacted products

wheat, rye, oats, barley

What is changing?

The EU proposes to set the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for fuberidazole to the LOD for all products. It intends to reduce the LOD for all cereals to 0.01 mg/kg. Therefore the LODs for wheat, rye, oats, and barley will change from 0.05 to 0.01 mg/kg.

Why?

As fuberidazole is no longer permitted for use in the EU, it is proposed that all MRLs will be set at the product-specific LODs.





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Timeline

The new MRLs will apply from approximately March 2026 – the precise date will be known once the Regulation is published.

Recommended Actions

Competent authorities of non-EU countries that are WTO members may comment on the EU proposal by emailing the <u>EU SPS Enquiry Point</u> until **14 February 2025** (<u>G/SPS/N/EU/802</u>).

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>.

Sources

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