Maximum residue levels for maleic hydrazide

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Commission Regulation (EU) 2026/2289 as regards maximum residue levels for acequinocyl, deltamethrin, dodine, maleic hydrazide, pinoxaden and prothioconazole in or on certain products

What is changing and why?

The European Union (EU) has increased the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for maleic hydrazide on most animal products (see Table 1). An application for a change of MRLs by the producer of maleic hydrazide was evaluated by the European Food Safety Authority, and the requested changes were found to be safe for consumers.

Timeline

The new MRLs apply from **5 November 2026**.

For more information see the full record on the AGRINFO website – where you can also view the latest AGRINFO Update newsletters and search the database.

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Tables & Figures

Table 1: Changes to maximum residue levels for maleic hydrazide

Food category	Products	Maleic hydrazide (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Swine	Muscle	0.05	0.06
	Fat	0.1	0.15
	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other swine products	0.02*	1.5
Cattle	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other cattle products	0.02*	0.9
Sheep	Fat	0.1	0.2
	Liver	0.1	0.15
	Kidney	2	3
	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other sheep products	0.02*	3
Goat	Fat	0.1	0.2
	Liver	0.1	0.15
	Kidney	2	3
	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other sheep products	0.02*	3
Horse	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other cattle products	0.02*	0.9
Poultry	Muscle	0.05	0.07
	Fat	0.1	0.2
	Liver	0.02	0.03
	Kidney, edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other poultry products	0.02*	0.03
Other farmed terrestrial animals	Edible offals (other than liver and kidney), other cattle products	0.02*	0.9
Milk	Sheep, goat	0.07	0.15

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Food category	Products	Maleic hydrazide (mg/kg)	
Birds' eggs	Chicken, duck, goose, quail, other birds' eggs	0.1	0.15

* Limit of determination (LOD).

Source: Regulation 2026/2289

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