

Maximum residue levels for metalaxyl

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Regulation

Commission Regulation (EU) [2024/1342](#) as regards maximum residue levels for deltamethrin, metalaxyl, thiabendazole and trifloxystrobin in or on certain products

What is changing and why?

The EU has decided to amend the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for metalaxyl as summarised in Table 1, with particular impacts on lemons, apples, pears, onions, globe artichokes, and soyabeans.

[EFSA \(2022\)](#) assessed metalaxyl MRLs for various products based on the available information.

Actions

Suppliers of lemons, apples, pears, onions, globe artichokes, and soyabeans in particular should review their current use of metalaxyl and look for possible alternative solutions.

Timeline


The new MRLs will apply from **11 December 2024**. Products exported before 11 December 2024 that comply with the old MRLs will not be removed from the EU market after that date, even if they do not comply with the new MRLs.

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Tables & Figures

Table 1 Changes to maximum residue levels for metalaxyl			
Food category	Products	Metalaxyl (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Citrus fruit	Lemons	0.5	0.01*
	Limes, mandarins	0.5	0.4
Pome fruits	Apples, pears	1	0.01*
Berries and other small fruits	Table grapes	2	1.5
	Wine grapes	1	1.5
Bulb vegetables	Onions	0.5	0.03
Fruiting vegetables	Sweet peppers/bell peppers	0.5	0.4
	Melons, watermelons	0.2	0.15
Stem vegetables	Globe artichokes	0.05	0.02*
Oilseeds	Soyabeans	0.1*	0.01*
Oilfruits	Oil palm fruits	0.01*	0.015
Cocoa beans		0.1	0.05
Fruit spices	Peppercorns	0.05*	2
Products of animal origin	Kidney and edible offals from swine	0.2	0.15
	Bovine and equine liver	0.05*	0.06
	Bovine and equine kidney and edible offals	0.3	0.4
	Kidney and edible offals from sheep, goats, and other farmed animals	0.3	0.15

* Limit of determination.


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Source: based on Regulation [2024/1342](#)

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