

# Maximum residue levels for metazachlor

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Commission Regulation (EU) [2024/1078](#) as regards maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin, flonicamid, isofetamid, mefentrifluconazole, metazachlor, pyrimethanil and quartz sand in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) [2023/377](#) as regards maximum residue levels for benzalkonium chloride (BAC), chlorpropham, didecyldimethylammonium chloride (DDAC), flutriafol, metazachlor, nicotine, profenofos, quizalofop-P, sodium aluminium silicate, thiabendazole and triadimenol in or on certain products

## What is changing and why?

The EU has raised the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for metazachlor:

- on leeks from 0.06 to 0.3 mg/kg
- on honey from 0.05 to 0.08 mg/kg.

This is because, following a request to amend the MRLs, the European Food Safety Authority has concluded that these levels are acceptable for consumer safety.

## Actions

Suppliers of leeks and honey should maintain existing good agricultural practices (GAP) to ensure compliance with the new MRLs by May 2024.

## Timeline


The new MRLs for metazachlor will apply from **6 May 2024**.

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## Tables & Figures

Table 1 Reduced maximum residue levels for metazachlor			
Food category	Products	Metazachlor <sup>1</sup> (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Root and tuber vegetables	Radishes	0.4	0.06*
Brassica vegetables	Broccoli, cauliflowers	0.4	0.06*
	Kales	0.2	0.15
Products of animal origin	Swine liver	0.2	0.15

1 Sum of metabolites 479M04, 479M08 and 479M16, expressed as metazachlor.  
 \* Limit of determination (LOD, the lowest level that can be detected using the most modern and reliable analytical methods).


  
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