

Maximum residue levels for penconazole

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Draft Commission Regulation as regards maximum residue levels for fenbuconazole and penconazole in or on certain products

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What is changing and why?

The EU proposes to amend the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for penconazole as summarised in Table 1. This follows a review of the MRLs for this substance by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), which concluded that higher MRLs on pome fruits, plums, blackberries, and raspberries are safe, and that the MRLs can be maintained on cherries, gooseberries, tomatoes, aubergines, pumpkins, and watermelons with no risk to consumers.

On certain other products, including apricots, peaches, and table and wine grapes, EFSA has recommended lower MRLs.

Actions

Suppliers of apricots, peaches, and grapes should review their use of penconazole and assess whether any changes will be needed to existing good agricultural practices (GAP).

Authorities in countries that are members of the World Trade Organization can provide feedback on the EU's proposal ([G/SPS/N/EU/780](#)) by emailing the [EU SPS Enquiry Point](#) until **31 August 2024**.

Timeline

The new MRLs will apply from approximately **July 2025** – the precise date will be known once the Regulation is published.

Products exported before July 2025 that comply with the old MRLs will not be removed from the EU market after July 2025, even if they do not comply with the new MRLs.

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Tables & Figures

Table 1 Changes to maximum residue levels for penconazole			
Food category	Products	Penconazole (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Pome fruits	Apples, pears, quinces, medlars	0.15	0.3
	Loquats/Japanese medlars	0.07	0.3
Stone fruits	Apricots	0.08	0.07
	Peaches	0.15	0.07
	Plums	0.09	0.15
Berries and small fruits	Table grapes, wine grapes	0.5	0.4
	Blackberries, raspberries (red and yellow)	0.1	0.4

Source: [PLAN/2024/23 v3](#)

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