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# Maximum residue levels for pendimethalin

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EU increases MRLs for pendimethalin on leeks, beans and peas

Commission Regulation (EU) <u>2023/1049</u> of 30 May 2023 amending Annexes II and IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for fish oil, pendimethalin, sheep fat and spirotetramat in or on certain products

# Update

The EU has increased the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for pendimethalin in leeks, beans and peas.

### **Impacted products**

leeks, beans (with pods), peas (with pods)

## What is changing?

The MRLs for pendimethalin in leeks, beans (with pods) and peas (with pods) are increased as set out in Table 1.

#### Why?

Following an application for modification of the MRLs for pendimethalin on peas, beans and leeks, <u>EFSA (2023</u>) has not identified a consumer health risk for these MRLs. Therefore the new MRLs have been accepted by the Commission.

## Timeline

The new MRLs apply from 20 June 2023.





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# 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 EU Pesticide Residues database.

#### Resources

EFSA (2023) Modification of the existing maximum residue levels for pendimethalin in peas (with pods), beans (with pods) and leeks. EFSA Journal, 21(3): 7663.

### Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1049

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# **Table & Figures**

Table 1 Changes to maximum residue levels for pendimethalin			
Food category	Products	Pendimethalin (mg/kg)	
		Old MRL	New MRL
Stem vegetables	Leeks	0.05*	0.3
Legume vegetables	Beans (with pods)	0.05*	0.06
	Peas (with pods)	0.05*	0.09
* Limit of determination.			

Source: based on Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1049

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