Maximum residue levels for pyroxsulam

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EU publishes Regulation amending pyroxsulam limit of determination MRLs for herbs and edible flowers, teas, coffee, herbal infusions, cocoa beans, carobs/Saint John's breads, hops, spices, and honey

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/1321 of 25 July 2022 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for fluoride ion, oxyfluorfen, pyroxsulam, quinmerac and sulfuryl fluoride in or on certain products

Update

Commission Regulation 2022/1321 published on 25 July maintains pyroxsulam MRLs at the limit of determination (LOD) for herbs and edible flowers, teas, coffee, herbal infusions, cocoa beans, carobs/Saint John's breads, hops, spices, and honey. The LODs are raised for some products for reasons of analytical feasibility.

Impacted products

herbs and edible flowers, teas, coffee, herbal infusions, cocoa beans, carobs/Saint John's breads, hops, spices, honey

What is changing?

The limit of determination (LOD) is raised on the following food categories (new LODs, in mg/kg):

- herbs and edible flowers: 0.02
- teas, coffee, herbal infusions: 0.05
- cocoa beans: 0.05
- carobs/Saint John's breads: 0.05
- hops: 0.05
- spices: 0.05
- honey: 0.05

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Why?

EFSA's (2020) evaluation of pyroxsulam concluded that all MRLs should be maintained at the LOD. However, for some products the LOD needed to be raised for reasons of analytical feasibility.

Timeline

New MRLs will apply from 21 February 2023. Where products are exported in compliance with the old MRLs before 21 February 2023, these products may stay on the market after this date, even where not compliant with new MRLs.

Background

MRLs are set in accordance with the rules set out in Regulation 396/2005. For information on current MRLs for other substances, please consult the EU Pesticide Residues database.

Resources

EFSA (2020) Review of the existing maximum residue levels for pyroxsulam to Article 12 of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005. EFSA Journal, 18(10): 6260.

Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/1321

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