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# Maximum residue levels for spirotetramat

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EU increases MRLs for spirotetramat on herbs and edible flowers

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 spirotetramat in herbs and edible flowers.

## **Impacted products**

chervil, chives, celery leaves, parsley, tarragon, basil and edible flowers, laurel/ bay leaves, sage, rosemary, thyme

## What is changing?

The MRLs for spirotetramat in herbs and edible flowers are increased as set out in Table 1.

#### Why?

Following an application for modification of the MRLs for spirotetramat in herbs and edible flowers, <u>EFSA (2022</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 <u>EU Pesticide Residues database</u>.

#### Resources

EFSA (2022) <u>Modification of the existing maximum residue levels for spirotetramat in herbs and</u> <u>edible flowers</u>. EFSA Journal, 20(12): 7668.

## Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1049

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# Table & Figures

| Table 1<br>Changes to maximum residue levels for spirotetramat |  |                       |         |
|--|--|-----------------------|---------|
| Food category  | Products   | Spirotetramat (mg/kg) |         |
|  |  | Old MRL               | New MRL |
| Herbs and edible flowers                                       | Chervil, chives, celery leaves, parsley,<br>tarragon, basil and edible flowers | 4                     | 7       |
|  | Sage, rosemary, thyme, laurel/bay<br>leaves                                    | 4                     | 10      |
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Source: based on Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1049

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