Maximum residue levels for spirotetramat

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EU increases MRLs for spirotetramat on herbs and edible flowers

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1049 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, EFSA (2022) 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 396/2005. For information on current MRLs for other substances, please consult the EU Pesticide Residues database.

Resources

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

Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) 2023/1049

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Tables & Figures

Table 1
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, tarragon, basil and edible flowers	4	7
	Sage, rosemary, thyme, laurel/bay leaves	4	10

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