

# Maximum residue levels for sulfoxaflor

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## EU increases MRLs for sulfoxaflor on okra, salads, and herbs

Commission Regulation (EU) [2026/140](#) of 22 January 2026 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 acequinocyl, chlormequat, metalaxyl-M, pyraclostrobin, sulfoxaflor and trifloxystrobin in or on certain products

### Update

The European Union (EU) has increased the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for sulfoxaflor on okra, various varieties of salads, and herbs.

### Impacted products

Okra/lady's fingers, lamb's lettuces/corn salads, escaroles/broad-leaved endives, cresses and other sprouts and shoots, land cresses, Roman rocket/rucola, red mustards, baby leaf crops (including brassica species), purslanes, chard/beet leaves, watercresses, chervil, chives, parsley, sage, rosemary, thyme, basil and edible flowers, laurel/bay leaves and tarragon

### What is changing?

The EU has increased the MRLs for sulfoxaflor as summarised in Table 1.

### Why?

This change follows a request for the previous MRLs to be modified and an evaluation by the European Food Safety Authority ([EFSA 2023](#)).

### Timeline

The new MRLs apply from **11 February 2026**.

## 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](#). For further information on the setting of import tolerances, see [Pesticide residue import tolerance MRLs explained](#).

## Resources

EFSA (2023) [Modification of the existing maximum residue levels for sulfoxaflor in various commodities](#). EFSA Journal, 21(12): e8481.

## Sources

Commission Regulation (EU) [2026/140](#) as regards maximum residue levels for acequinocyl, chlormequat, metalaxyl-M, pyraclostrobin, sulfoxaflor and trifloxystrobin in or on certain products

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## Table & Figures

Table 1 Changes to maximum residue levels for sulfoxaflor			
Food category	Products	Sulfoxaflor (mg/kg)	
		Previous MRL	New MRL
Fruiting vegetables	Okra/lady's fingers	0.01*	0.07
Leaf vegetables	Lamb's lettuces/corn salads, escaroles/broad-leaved endives, cresses and other sprouts and shoots, land cresses, Roman rocket/rucola, red mustards, baby leaf crops, purslanes, chards/beet leaves, watercresses	0.01*	0.7
Herbs and edible flowers	Chervil, chives, parsley, sage, rosemary, thyme, basil and edible flowers, laurel/bay leaves, tarragon	0.02*	0.7
* Limit of determination.			
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Source: based on Regulation (EU) [2026/140](#)

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