

THE LATEST ON EU AGRI-FOOD POLICIES IMPACTING LOW-INCOME & MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES

Maximum residue levels for triflusulfuron

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EU proposes to set MRLs for triflusulfuron to the LOD for all products

<u>Draft</u> Commission Regulation amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for chlorpropham, fuberidazole, ipconazole, methoxyfenozide, S-metolachlor and triflusulfuron in or on certain products

<u>Draft</u> Annex (PLAN/2024/1823_v1)

Update

EU proposes to set MRLs for triflusulfuron to the LOD for all products. On 16 December 2024, the European Commission also notified the World Trade Organization (WTO) that it intends to lower the limit of determination (LOD, the lowest level that can be detected using the most modern and reliable analytical methods) for triflusulfuron to 0.01 mg/kg for tree nuts, oil seeds, and oil fruits (G/SPS/N/EU/802).

Impacted products

Almonds, borage seeds, Brazil nuts, cashew nuts, castor beans, chestnuts, coconuts, cotton seeds, gold of pleasure seeds, hazelnuts/cobnuts, hemp seeds, kapok, linseeds, macadamias, mustard seeds, oil palms fruits, oil palms kernels, olives for oil production, peanuts/groundnuts, pecans, pine nut kernels, pistachios, poppy seeds, pumpkin seeds, rapeseeds/canola seeds, safflower seeds, sesame seeds, soyabeans, sunflower seeds, walnuts

What is changing?

The EU proposes to set the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for triflusulfuron to the LOD for all products. It also intends to reduce the LOD for all tree nuts, oil seeds, and oil fruits from 0.02 to 0.01 mg/kg.





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Why?

As triflusulfuron is no longer approved for use in the EU, the EU proposes to set all MRLs at the product-specific LODs.

Timeline

The new MRLs will apply from approximately March 2026 – the precise date will be known once the Regulation is published.

Recommended Actions

Feedback on the EU's proposal closed on 14 February 2025 (G/SPS/N/EU/802).

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>.

Sources

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