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# Maximum residue limits for azocyclotin and cyhexatin

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<u>Draft</u> Commission Regulation as regards maximum residue levels for azocyclotin, chlorfenapyr, cyhexatin, diazinon, dicofol, endosulfan, fenarimol, fenpropathrin and profenofos in or on certain products

**Draft Annex** 

# What is changing and why?

The European Union (EU) is discussing the reduction of azocyclotin and cyhexatin maximum residue levels (MRLs) on apples, oranges, grapes, and bulb vegetables to 0.01 mg/kg (see Table 1). This is because the European Food Safety Authority was unable to complete a risk assessment of these pesticides due to a lack of relevant data. These pesticides have never been approved for use within the EU.

### **Actions**

Suppliers of apples, oranges, and grapes to the EU market should review their existing use of azocyclotin and cyhexatin, and start to identify alternative pesticides.

### **Timeline**

This Regulation is still under discussion. It is expected to be adopted in 2026, with new MRLs applying from late 2026 or early 2027.

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## **Tables & Figures**

# Table 1 Changes under discussion for azocyclotin and cyhexatin maximum residue levels pod category Products Azocyclotin and cyhexati

Food category	Products	Azocyclotin and cyhexatin <sup>[1]</sup> (mg/kg)	
		Existing MRL	Proposed MRL
Citrus fruits	Oranges	0.2	0.01*
Pome fruits	Apples	0.2	0.01*
Berries and small fruits	Wine grapes	0.3	0.01*
Bulb vegetables	Garlic, onions, shallots, spring onions/green onions and Welsh onions	0.02*	0.01*

<sup>1.</sup> Sum of azocyclotin and cyhexatin expressed as cyhexatin.



Source: based on PLAN/2025/1425 Rev0

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<sup>\*</sup> Limit of determination (LOD).