

## Mercury maximum levels

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**Table 1**  
Mercury maximum levels

Product	Maximum levels (mg/kg wet weight)	
	New	Previous
Fishery products and muscle meat of fish, excluding species listed in the rows below.*	0.50	0.50
Muscle meat of the following fish: <b>Axillary seabream (<i>Pagellus acarne</i>)</b> <b>Black scabbardfish (<i>Aphanopus carbo</i>)</b> <b>Blackspot seabream (<i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i>)</b> <b>Bonito (<i>Sarda sarda</i>)</b> <b>Common pandora (<i>Pagellus erythrinus</i>)</b> <b>Esoclar (<i>Lepidocybium flavobrunneum</i>)</b> <b>Halibut (<i>Hippoglossus</i> species)</b> <b>Kingklip (<i>Genypterus capensis</i>)</b> <b>Marlin (<i>Makaira</i> species)</b> <b>Megrim (<i>Lepidorhombus</i> species)</b> <b>Oilfish (<i>Ruvettus pretiosus</i>)</b> <b>Orange roughy (<i>Hoplostethus atlanticus</i>)</b> <b>Pink cusk-eel (<i>Genypterus blacodes</i>)</b> <b>Pike (<i>Esox</i> species)</b> <b>Plain bonito (<i>Orcynopsis unicolor</i>)</b> <b>Poor cod (<i>Tricopterus</i> species)</b> <b>Red mullet (<i>Mullus barbatus barbatus</i>)</b> <b>Roundnose grenadier (<i>Coryphaenoides rupestris</i>)</b> <b>Sail fish (<i>Istiophorus</i> species)</b> <b>Silver scabbardfish (<i>Lepidopus caudatus</i>)</b> <b>Snake mackerel (<i>Gempylus serpens</i>)</b> <b>Sturgeon (<i>Acipenser</i> species)</b> <b>Surmullet (<i>Mullus surmuletus</i>)</b> <b>Tuna (<i>Thunnus</i> species, <i>Euthynnus</i> species, <i>Katsuwonus pelamis</i>)</b> <b>Shark (all species)</b> <b>Swordfish (<i>Xiphias gladius</i>)</b>	1.0	**
Cephalopods Marine gastropods Muscle meat of the following fish: <b>Anchovy (<i>Engraulis</i> species)</b> <b>Alaska pollock (<i>Theragra chalcogrammus</i>)</b> <b>Atlantic cod (<i>Gadus morhua</i>)</b> <b>Atlantic herring (<i>Clupea harengus</i>)</b> <b>Basa (<i>Pangasius bocourti</i>)</b> <b>Carp (species belonging to the Cyprinidae family)</b> <b>Common dab (<i>Limanda limanda</i>)</b> <b>Mackerel (<i>Scomber</i> species)</b> <b>European flounder (<i>Platichthys flesus</i>)</b> <b>European plaice (<i>Pleuronectes platessa</i>)</b> <b>European sprat (<i>Sprattus sprattus</i>)</b> <b>Mekong giant catfish (<i>Pangasianodon gigas</i>)</b> <b>Pollock (<i>Pollachius pollachius</i>)</b> <b>Saithe (<i>Pollachius virens</i>)</b> <b>Salmon and trout (<i>Salmo</i> species and <i>Oncorhynchus</i> species, except <i>Salmo trutta</i>)</b> <b>Sardine or pilchard (<i>Dussumieri</i> species, <i>Sardina</i> species, <i>Sardinella</i> species and <i>Sardinops</i> species)</b> <b>Sole (<i>Solea solea</i>)</b> <b>Striped catfish (<i>Pangasianodon hypophthalmus</i>)</b> <b>Whiting (<i>Merlangius merlangus</i>)</b>	0.30	0.50
Salt	0.10	No limit

\* The maximum level for crustaceans applies to muscle meat from appendages and abdomen. In the case of crabs and crab-like crustaceans (Brachyura and Anomura), it applies to muscle meat from appendages.  
 \*\* For fish in bold, no change of maximum level. The other fish listed were previously subject to the general maximum level of 0.5 mg/kg.  
 Source: Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/617, Annex

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