

Regulation on maximum levels for certain contaminants in food

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European Commission replaces Regulation that sets maximum levels for contaminants in food

Commission Regulation (EU) [2023/915](#) of 25 April 2023 on maximum levels for certain contaminants in food and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006

Update

This Regulation replaces Regulation (EC) No [1881/2006](#), but does not change the current maximum levels of contaminants or other rules and principles already set out by that Regulation.

What is changing?

This new Regulation tidies up (formally "recasts") and replaces previous rules on contaminants (Regulation [1881/2006](#)) by updating references to other EU legislation and clarifying the language used. It does not change the content of the rules, or the maximum levels for contaminants already established.

Why?

Regulation [1881/2006](#) and related legislation have been amended multiple times since 2006. There was a need to consolidate and clarify the legislation in light of these changes.

Timeline

The new Regulation applies from 25 May 2023.

Background

For further information on contaminants legislation, please see [EU legislation on contaminants – maximum levels explained](#).

Sources

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