

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

Maximum residue levels for chlorpropham

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EU lowers MRL for chlorpropham on potatoes

Commission Regulation (EU) <u>2025/1163</u> of 13 June 2025 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

Update

The European Commission has lowered the maximum residue level (MRL) for chlorpropham on potatoes.

Impacted products

Potatoes

What is changing?

The European Commission has lowered the MRL for chlorpropham on potatoes from 0.35 to 0.2 mg/kg.

Why?

As chlorpropham is no longer approved in the EU, in most cases the MRLs will be set at the product-specific limit of determination (LOD, the lowest level that can be detected using the most modern and reliable analytical methods).

A temporary MRL for chlorpropham in potatoes was previously set at 0.35 mg/kg. On the basis of new monitoring data submitted to the Commission, it has been demonstrated that the lower level of 0.2 mg/kg is achievable.





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Timeline

The new MRL applies from 6 January 2026.

Recommended Actions

Suppliers of potatoes to the EU market should verify current good agricultural practices (GAP) to ensure compliance with the reduced MRL.

It is important to continue monitoring chlorpropham levels in potatoes so that data can be submitted to the European Commission before approximately July 2027, after which a new review will be carried out.

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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