

# S-metolachlor: Non renewal of EU approval

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Regulation (EU) [2024/20](#) concerning the non-renewal of the approval of the active substance S-metolachlor

## What is changing and why?

Due to concerns about the health of animals and water contamination, the EU has decided not to renew its approval for the use of S-metolachlor in EU Member States.

## Actions

EU maximum residue limits (MRLs) for S-metolachlor are currently already set at low levels (0.01–0.05 mg/kg). Suppliers exporting to the EU may continue to use S-metolachlor provided residues do not exceed existing MRLs (0.01–0.05 mg/kg).

## Timeline

EU producers may be permitted to use stocks of products containing S-metolachlor until 23 July 2024.

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