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Find links below to our [website](#), where we give clear summaries about recent and upcoming changes, and actions that companies or authorities need to take to meet the new rules.

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Food additives

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Food additives

EU authorises use of the food additive "carbomer" (E 1210) in food supplements. Applies from **21 March 2023**

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EU prohibits targeted fishing of southern bluefin tuna by EU vessels. Applies from **13 April 2023**

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Pesticides

EU has not renewed approval of the active substance oxamyl. **Reduction in MRLs expected for 2024**

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New pesticide MRLs

Changes will apply from **13 April 2023** affecting:

- [pyridate](#) (chives)
- [pyridaben](#) (grapefruits)
- [pyriproxyfen](#) (apricots, cherries, apples, pears, quinces, medlars, Japanese medlars, loquats, cranberries, tomatoes, peppers, aubergines, cucumbers, gherkins, okra)



New pesticide MRLs

Changes will apply from **21 October 2023** affecting:

- chloridazon (all products)
- fenpropimorph (all products except bananas)



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