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**Report Highlights:**

Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) proposed revisions to Japan's maximum residue levels for 11 agricultural chemicals (Ametoctradin, Amisulbrom, Flumioxazin, Flupyradifurone, Glufosinate, Mefentrifluconazole, Metaldehyde, Simeconazole, Cefuroxime, Dicloxacillin, and Amprolium) for various agricultural commodities. In addition, MHLW proposed a revision to the mineral water specifications. Interested U.S. parties should submit their comments to [PlantDivision@usda.gov](mailto:PlantDivision@usda.gov) for plant products and to [TFAA.FAS.AnimalDivision@usda.gov](mailto:TFAA.FAS.AnimalDivision@usda.gov) for animal products by April 5, 2023.

## **General**

On March 24, 2023, at the 254th Food Safety Group meeting, Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) proposed revisions to Japan's maximum residue levels (MRLs) for the following 11 compounds:

### Pesticides

- Ametoctradin
- Amisulbrom
- Flumioxazin
- Flupyradifurone
- Glufosinate
- Mefentrifluconazole
- Metaldehyde
- Simeconazole

### Veterinary Drugs

- Cefuroxime
- Dicloxacillin

### Veterinary Drug and Feed Additive

- Amprolium

In addition, MHLW to revise the specifications for lead in mineral water.

For details of Japan's proposal, please consult the attached document that MHLW distributed electronically with Tokyo-based embassies. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to submit their comments about plant-related proposals to [PlantDivision@usda.gov](mailto:PlantDivision@usda.gov) and animal-related proposals to [TFAA.FAS.AnimalDivision@usda.gov](mailto:TFAA.FAS.AnimalDivision@usda.gov) by April 5, 2023. Japan will subsequently notify these revisions to the World Trade Organization, which will provide another opportunity to comment.

## **Attachments:**

[254th FSG \(English\).pdf](#)