NOTIFICATION

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| **1.** | **Notifying Member:** New Zealand  **If applicable, name of local government involved:** |
| **2.** | **Agency responsible:** Ministry for Primary Industries |
| **3.** | **Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):** Vegetables, fruit, animal products, and other food products |
| **4.** | **Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:**  **[****X]** **All trading partners**  **[ ]****Specific regions or countries:** |
| **5.** | **Title of the notified document:** Proposals to Amend the Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds Food Notice December 2018.**Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 32  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/SPS/NZL/19_3358_00_e.pdf> |
| **6.** | **Description of content:** The document contains technical details on proposals to amend the current Notice issued under the Food Act 2014 that lists the maximum residue levels (MRLs) for agricultural compounds in New Zealand.  MPI proposes the following amendments to the Notice:  The addition of new MRL entries for the following compounds: Coumatetralyl: 0.001(\*) mg/kg in any food. Difethialone: 0.001(\*) mg/kg in any food. Diphacinone: 0.001(\*) mg/kg in any food. Flumioxazin: 0.02(\*) mg/kg in grapes; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in kiwifruit; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in pome fruits; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in stone fruits; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in mammalian fat, meat, and offal; and 0.02(\*) mg/kg in milk. Isoflucypram: 0.15 mg/kg in barley grain; 0.01(\*) in eggs; 0.04(\*) mg/kg in mammalian fat; 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian offal; 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian meat; 0.005(\*) mg/kg in milk; 0.01(\*) in poultry meat; 0.02 mg/kg in poultry offal; 0.02 mg/kg in wheat grain; and 0.02 mg/kg in triticale grain. Metribuzin: 0.01(\*) mg/kg in potatoes. Pyroxasulfone: 0.02(\*) mg/kg in eggs; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in mammalian fat; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in mammalian meat; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in mammalian offal; 0.002(\*) mg/kg in milk; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in poultry meat; 0.02(\*) mg/kg in poultry offal; 0.01(\*) mg/kg in triticale; and 0.01 (\*) mg/kg in wheat. Tetraniliprole: 0.2 mg/kg in pome fruits.  The amendment of existing MRL entries for the following compounds and commodities: Clethodim: 0.02(\*) mg/kg in grapes. Difenoconazole: 0.05 mg/kg in grapes; 0.01 mg/kg in mammalian fat (except milk fat); 0.01 mg/kg in mammalian meat; 0.01 mg/kg in mammalian offal; and 0.01 mg/kg in milk. Eprinomectin: 0.1 mg/kg in sheep fat; 0.05 mg/kg in sheep meat; 0.2 mg/kg in sheep offal; and 0.02 mg/kg in sheep milk. Clethodim: 0.2 mg/kg in mammalian meat; 0.2 mg/kg in mammalian offal; and 0.05 mg/kg in milk. Flufenacet: 0.01(\*) mg/kg in potatoes. Flusilazole: 0.01(\*) mg/kg in grapes, 0.05(\*) mg/kg in mammalian fat, 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian meat, 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian offal, and 0.01(\*) mg/kg in milk. Mandestrobin: 1.5 mg/kg in head lettuce; and 10 mg/kg in leafy lettuce. Metrafenone: 0.15 mg/kg in grapes; 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian fat; 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian meat; 0.01(\*) mg/kg in mammalian offal; and 0.01(\*) mg/kg in milk.  Note: (\*) indicates that the maximum residue level has been set at or about the limit of analytical quantification.  The addition of exemptions from compliance with a MRL for the following compounds: *Chromobacterium subtsugae* PRAA4-1T and its metabolites (including violacein) oils, when used as an agricultural chemical, in Schedule 2 (agricultural chemicals) of the Notice. Cross-linked polyacrylamide, when used as an intra-articular injectable veterinary medicine in horses, in Schedule 3 (veterinary medicines) of the Notice. Vaccine and diagnostic antigens, when used as a veterinary medicine, in Schedule 3 of the Notice. The amendment of an existing exemption from compliance with a MRL in Schedule 2 of the Notice for bromochlorodimethylhydantoin, to update the CAS numbers applicable to the entry. |
| **7.** | **Objective and rationale: [****X]****food safety, [ ]****animal health, [ ]****plant protection, [ ]****protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, [ ]****protect territory from other damage from pests.** |
| **8.** | **Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:**  **[****X]** **Codex Alimentarius Commission *(e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text)*:**   * CAC/GL 84-2012: Principles and Guidance on the Selection of Representative Commodities for the Extrapolation of Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides to Commodity Groups * CAC/MRL1: Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) for Pesticides * CAC/MRL2: Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and Risk Management Recommendations (RMRs) for Residues of Veterinary Drugs in Foods   **[ ]****World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) *(e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number)*:**  **[ ]****International Plant Protection Convention *(e.g. ISPM number)*:**  **[ ]****None**  **Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?**  **[****X]** **Yes [ ]****No**  **If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:** |
| **9.** | **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** |
| **10.** | **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be confirmed.  **Proposed date of publication *(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be confirmed. |
| **11.** | **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ]****Six months from date of publication**, **and/or** ***(dd/mm/yy)*:** To be confirmed.  **[ ]****Trade facilitating measure** |
| **12.** | **Final date for comments: [****X]****Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 6 August 2019  **Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [****X]****National Notification Authority, [****X]****National Enquiry Point.** **Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:**  Mrs Sally Jennings, Coordinator, SPS New Zealand, PO Box 2526, Wellington, New Zealand. Tel: +(64 4) 894 0431; Fax: +(64 4) 894 0733; E-mail: sps@mpi.govt.nz  Website: <http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/sps/transparency/notifications/index.htm> |
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