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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>NEW ZEALAND</u>
 - 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:
 - [V] All trading partners
 - [] Specific regions or countries:
- **Title of the notified document:** Proposals to Amend the New Zealand (Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds) Food Notice July 2020.

Language: English Number of pages: 29

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:

- a) The addition of new MRL entries for the following compounds:
- Amisulbrom: 0.02 mg/kg in head brassicas, 0.02 mg/kg in flowerhead brassicas, and 0.1 mg/kg in leafy vegetable brassicas.
- Mefentrifluconazole: 2.0 mg/kg in barley grain, 0.01(*) mg/kg in eggs, 0.1 mg/kg in mammalian fat, 0.1 mg/kg in mammalian kidney, 0.3 mg/kg in mammalian liver, 0.02 mg/kg in mammalian meat, 0.02 mg/kg in milk, 0.02 mg/kg in poultry fat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry meat, 0.02 mg/kg in poultry offal, and 0.5 mg/kg in wheat grain.
- Prosulfocarb: 0.01(*) mg/kg in potatoes.
 - (*) indicates that the maximum residue level has been set at or about the limit of analytical quantification.

- b) The amendment of existing MRL entries for the following compounds and commodities:
- Azoxystrobin: 0.01(*) mg/kg in eggs, 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian fat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian meat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian offal, 0.005 mg/kg in milk, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry fat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry meat, and 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry offal.
- Cyantraniliprole: 0.02 mg/kg in mammalian kidney, 0.03 mg/kg in mammalian liver, and 0.02 mg/kg in milk.
- Diflufenican: 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, 0.01(*) mg/kg in milk, 0.01(*) mg/kg in peas (without pods), 0.02(*) mg/kg in poultry meat, and 0.02(*) mg/kg in poultry offal.
- Fluxapyroxad: 0.01(*) mg/kg in eggs, 0.03 mg/kg in mammalian offal, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry fat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry meat, and 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry offal.
- Folpet: 0.6 mg/kg in barley grain, 0.05(*) mg/kg in eggs, 0.05(*) mg/kg in mammalian meat, 0.05(*) mg/kg in mammalian offal, 0.05(*) mg/kg in milk, 0.05(*) mg/kg in poultry meat, and 0.05(*) mg/kg in poultry offal.
- Metolachlor: 0.01(*) mg/kg in potatoes.
- Tebuconazole: 0.01(*) mg/kg in eggs, 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian fat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian kidney, 0.07 mg/kg in mammalian liver, 0.01(*) mg/kg in mammalian meat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in milk, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry fat, 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry meat, and 0.01(*) mg/kg in poultry offal.
 - (*) indicates that the maximum residue level has been set at or about the limit of analytical quantification.
- c) The addition of exemptions from compliance with a MRL for the following compounds:
 - 1-triacontanol, when used as a plant growth regulator on pasture, in Schedule 2 (agricultural chemicals) of the Notice.
 - Eugenol, when used as a fungicide on grapevines, in Schedule 2 (agricultural chemicals) of the Notice.
 - Geraniol, when used as a fungicide on grapevines, in Schedule 2 (agricultural chemicals) of the Notice.
 - Thymol, when used as a fungicide on grapevines, in Schedule 2 (agricultural chemicals) of the Notice.
- d) The amendment of existing exemptions from compliance with a MRL for the following compounds:
 - The Schedule 2 (agricultural chemicals) entry for hydrogen peroxide, to extend its use as a fungicide and bactericide on fruits to both fruits and vegetables.

- The Schedule 3 (veterinary medicines) entry for vaccine and diagnostic antigens, to clarify that the entry allows for the use of vacterial cell wall components used as immunostimulants to be exempt from compliance with a MRL.
- e) The removal of an existing exemption from compliance with a MRL in Schedule 2 of the Notice for didecyl dimethyl ammonium chloride (DDAC), as this compound is no longer approved for use as an agricultural compound in New Zealand.
- 7. Objective and rationale: [v] 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:
 - [√] Codex Alimentarius Commission
 - 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? [V] 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): TBC

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): TBC

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or: [v] (dd/mm/yy): TBC promulgation will occur once the document is finalised post-consultation.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [v] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or:

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13. Texts available from: [v] National Notification Authority, [] National Enquiry Point.

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