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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

NOTIFICATION

- 1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u>
 - If applicable, name of local government involved:
- **2. Agency responsible:** The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and The Health and Safety Executive
- 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): Chinese cabbage (0243010); Others leafy brassica (0243990); Lettuce (0251020); Spinach (0252010); Teas (0610000); Liver swine (1011030); Kidney swine (1011040); Edible offal (other than liver and kidney swine (1012030); Liver bovine (1012030); Kidney bovine (1012050); Liver sheep (1013030); Kidney sheep (1012040); Edible offal (other than liver and kidney) sheep (1012050); Liver goat (1014030); Kidney goat (1014040); Edible offal (other than liver and kidney) goat (1014050); Liver equine (1015030); Kidney equine (1015040); Edible offal (other than liver and kidney equine (1015050); Liver Other farmed terrestrial animals (1017030); Kidney Other farmed terrestrial animals (1017050) and milk (1020000)
 - * For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register see link).
- 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:** Proposed GB MRLs for emamectin amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 16
 - https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2025/SPS/GBR/25 03226 00 e.pdf
- **6. Description of content:** The draft Reasoned Opinion on the review of the MRLs is available at the following link:

The review of the MRLs for emamectin in or on lettuces and milk

The document outlines the proposed MRLs for emamectin following a review of the MRLs by the Health and Safety Executive:

The review of the MRLs for emamectin in or on lettuces and milk.docx

The following CXLs are being proposed for adoption:

Leaves of Brassicaceae (subgroup) (0.2 mg/kg), except for kales; spinach (0.05 mg/kg); tea, green, black (black, fermented and dried) (0.1 mg/kg); edible offal (mammalian) (0.1 mg/kg); milks (0.003 mg/kg).

The proposed measure raises the MRLs for Chinese cabbage, others – leafy brassicas, spinach, tea and edible offals.

The proposed measure lowers the MRLs for lettuces from 1.0 mg/kg to 0.01 mg/kg and

milk from 0.01 mg/kg to 0.003 mg/kg.

This measure retains the previous MRLs for all other commodities.

For lettuce and milk the risk assessments concluded that UK level of protection was not met by the current GB MRLs so they are proposed to be lowered. New/raised MRLs are being adopted as the CXLs meet the UK's appropriate level of protection.

- 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): Codex standard derived from JMPR active substance number 247
 - [] 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?

[] Yes [X] No

If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: CXLs are being adopted for Chinese cabbage, others – leafy brassicas, spinach, tea, edible offals and milks.

The CXL for lettuce (0.07 mg/kg) is not proposed for adoption and the CXL for Leaves of Brassicaceae (subgroup) is not proposed for adoption for kales. Following review of the available evidence, it has been determined that these CXLs do not meet the appropriate level of protection for UK consumers.

- 9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
- 10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 2 September 2025

Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 2 September 2025

- 11. Proposed date of entry into force: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 2 March 2026. The proposed measures retains, raises (trade facilitating measure) and lowers MRLs. As harm to human health cannot be excluded for the current MRLs for lettuce and milk, it is proposed these MRLs are lowered. All the MRLs (lowered, retained and raised) will come into force 6 months after the date of publication and adoption.
 - [] Trade facilitating measure
- 12. Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 July 2025

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:

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13. Text(s) available from: [X] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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