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## **Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures**

## **NOTIFICATION**

- Notifying Member: EUROPEAN UNION If applicable, name of local government involved:
- 2. Agency responsible: European Commission, Health and Food Safety Directorate-General
- 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): Cereals (HS Codes: 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008), foodstuffs of animal origin (HS Codes: 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205, 0206, 0207, 0208, 0209, 0210) and certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables
- 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:
  - All trading partners [X]
  - [ ] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Draft Commission Regulation amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for methoxyfenozide, propoxur, spinosad and thiram in or on certain products (Text with EEA relevance). Language(s): English. Number of pages: 5 + annexes

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- 6. **Description of content:** The proposed draft Regulation concerns the review of existing MRLs for methoxyfenozide, propoxur, spinosad and thiram in certain food commodities. MRLs for these substances in certain commodities are changed. Lower MRLs are set after updating the limits of determination and/or deleting old uses which are not authorised any more in the European Union or for which a human health concern may not be excluded.
- 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 Maximum Residue Limits methoxyfenozide and spinosad. The list of Codex MRLs is available at: http://www.fao.org/fao-whocodexalimentarius/codex-texts/dbs/pestres/pesticides/en.
  - [] World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):

	<ul><li>[ ] International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</li><li>[ ] None</li></ul>
	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: The European Food Safety Authority published reasoned opinions on the review of the existing maximum residue levels for methoxyfenozide and spinosad. Based on these opinions, Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 should be amended accordingly.
9.	Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:
	<ul> <li>Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 February 2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in or on food and feed of plant and animal origin and amending Council Directive 91/414/EEC <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/ALL/?uri=CELEX%3A32005R0396</a></li> <li>Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for methoxyfenozide <a href="https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/6330">https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/6330</a></li> <li>Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for spinosad <a href="https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/6404">https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/6404</a></li> <li>Reasoned opinion published by the European Food Safety Authority on the setting of MRLs for thiram <a href="https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/6391">https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/6391</a></li> <li>(available in English)</li> </ul>
10.	Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): July 2022
	Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): September 2022
11.	Proposed date of entry into force: [] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.
	[ ] Trade facilitating measure
12.	Final date for comments: [X] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 13 February 2022
	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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