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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

1. **Notifying Member:** CANADA

If applicable, name of local government involved:

2. **Agency responsible:** Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Health Canada

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):** Pesticide mefentrifluconazole in or on various commodities (ICS codes: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.080, 67.140, 67.180, 67.200)

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 Maximum Residue Limit: Mefentrifluconazole (PMRL2023-41). **Language(s):** English and French. **Number of pages:** 12

6. **Description of content:** The objective of the notified document PMRL2023-41 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limits (MRLs) for mefentrifluconazole that have been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA).

MRL (ppm)[1]	Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity
30	Leafy vegetables (crop group 4-13, except head lettuce)
20	Leaves of root and tuber vegetables (human food or animal feed) (crop group 2)
5.0	Bushberries (crop subgroup 13-07B, except gooseberries[2]); head lettuce
4.0	Green onions (crop subgroup 3-07B); dried tomatoes
2.0	Low growing berries (crop subgroup 13-07G)
1.5	Bananas; sugarcane cane
0.9	Fruiting vegetables (crop group 8-09)
0.7	Root vegetable (except sugar beet) (crop subgroup 1B)
0.5	Melon (crop subgroup 9A); green coffee beans
0.2	Bulb onions (crop subgroup 3-07A); squash/cucumber (crop subgroup 9B); undelinted cotton seeds
0.15	Sunflowers (crop subgroup 20B, revised)

[1] ppm = parts per million
[2] An MRL of 1.5 ppm is already established for gooseberries under crop subgroup 13-07F (Small fruits vine climbing, except fuzzy kiwifruit)

The commodities included in the listed crop groups/subgroups can be found on the *Residue Chemistry Crop Groups* webpage: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/protecting-your-health-environment/pesticides-food/residue-chemistry-crop-groups.html in the Pesticides section of the Canada.ca website.

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)*:** 320 Mefentrifluconazole

[ ] **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: Currently, there are no Codex MRLs listed for mefentrifluconazole in or on the petitioned commodities according to the Codex Alimentarius Pesticide Index website.

9. **Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:** Health Canada website: https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html, PMRL2023-41, posted 7 September 2023

10. **Proposed date of adoption *(dd/mm/yy)*:** Normally within four to five months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada website.

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

11. **Proposed date of entry into force: [ ] Six months from date of publication, and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** On the date the measure is adopted.

[ ] **Trade facilitating measure**

12. **Final date for comments: [ ] Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or *(dd/mm/yy)*:** 21 November 2023

Agency or authority designated to handle comments: [ ] National Notification Authority, [X] National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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

The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at:
https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residue-limit/2023/mefentrifluconazole-various-commodities/document.html (English)
https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produits-consommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximales-residus-proposees/2023/mefentrifluconazole-diverses-denrees/document.html (French)

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