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

## **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:
  - [X] All trading partners
  - [ ] Specific regions or countries:
- 5. Title of the notified document: Proposals to Amend the New Zealand (Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds) Food Notice. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 14

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**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:

- a. The amendment of existing entries in Schedule 1, Maximum Residue Levels for Agricultural Compounds, for the following compounds and commodities:
  - An amendment of the entry for pydiflumetofen, to set new MRLs at 0.2 mg/kg for barley grain, 0.01(\*) mg/kg for eggs, 0.01(\*) mg/kg for milk, 0.01(\*) mg/kg for poultry fat, 0.01(\*) mg/kg for poultry meat, 0.01(\*) mg/kg for poultry offal; and
  - The removal of the entry for warfarin, as the compound has not been approved for use in New Zealand since 2005.

Note: (\*) indicates that the maximum residue level has been set at or about the limit of analytical quantification.

- b. The addition of three new entries in Schedule 3, for Veterinary Medicines for which No Maximum Residue Level Applies, for the following compounds:
  - Diatomaceous earth, when used as a veterinary medicine;
  - Gonadorelin, when used to manage reproduction in ruminants; and
  - · Sepiolite, when used as a mycotoxin binder
- 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: [X] Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy):
  - [] 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 2024

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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