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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
- 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): All GB commodity codes as outlined in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register see <a href="link">link</a>)
- 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 methidathion amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. **Language(s):** English. **Number of pages:** 18

https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2024/SPS/GBR/24\_04132\_00\_e.pdf

**6. Description of content:** The notified document outlines the proposed MRLs for methidathion following a review in Great Britain (GB) by the Health and Safety Executive.

The draft Reasoned Opinion, produced by the Health and Safety Executive, on the review of the MRLs is available at the following link:

The review of the existing MRLs for methidathion - proposed MRLs (hse.gov.uk)

The MRLs for methidathion are being lowered to the limit of quantification as risks of a harmful effect on human health cannot be excluded and therefore the appropriate level of protection has not been met.

The Codex MRLs for methidathion were revoked in December 2023 following the scientific assessment by the JMPR (Joint Meeting of the FAO and WHO on pesticide residues).

This proposal aligns GB MRLs with the Codex standards.

The JMPR scientific assessment and report of the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residue (CCPR) and Codex Alimentarius Commision (CAC) are available using the links below:

- JMPR Report 2022;
- Report of the 54<sup>th</sup> Session of the CCPR (The revocations of the CXLs for methidathion are outlined in point 87 and in Appendix III);
- Report of the CAC 46 December 2023.
- 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.

