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Japan Notifies WTO of Revised Flumequine Residue Standards

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Report Highlights:

On April 25, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the veterinary drug, Flumequine, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/635](https://www.gsis.gov/SPS/N/JPN/635). The public comment period for the draft will close on June 24, 2019. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point (us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov). For potential inclusion in the U.S. official position, please send your comments by June 17, 2019.

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General Information:

On April 25, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the veterinary drug, Flumequine, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/635](#). Japan's proposed changes to the MRLs for Flumequine can be found [here](#), or below Annex-1.

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(The following is taken from Japan's notification)

Annex 1 – Japan's Revised MRL for Flumequine

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current) ppm
Cattle, muscle	0.5	0.5
Pig, muscle	0.5	0.5
Other terrestrial mammals ¹ , muscle	0.5	0.5
Cattle, fat	1	1
Pig, fat	1	1
Other terrestrial mammals, fat	1	1
Cattle, liver	0.5	0.5
Pig, liver	0.5	0.5
Other terrestrial mammals, liver	0.5	0.5
Cattle, kidney	3	3
Pig, kidney	3	3
Other terrestrial mammals, kidney	3	3
Cattle, edible offal ²	○ 3	0.2
Pig, edible offal	○ 3	0.2
Other terrestrial mammals, edible offal	○ 3	0.2
Milk	● 0.05	0.1
Chicken, muscle	0.5	0.5
Chicken, fat	1	1
Chicken, liver	0.5	0.5
Chicken, kidney	3	3
Chicken, edible offal	○ 3	0.5
Salmoniformes (such as salmon and trout)	○ 0.6	0.5
Anguilliformes (such as eel)	0.6	0.6
Perciformes (such as bonito, horse mackerel, mackerel, sea bass, sea bream and tuna)	○ 0.6	0.04
Other fish ³	0.6	0.6

● : Commodities for which MRLs are to be lowered or deleted.

○ : Commodities for which MRLs are to be increased or newly set.

* Shaded figures indicate provisional MRLs.

* Not the uniform limit of 0.01 ppm but the regulation that foods shall not contain any antibiotics or chemically synthesized substances will be applied to the commodities not

listed above, since this substance is considered to be an antibiotic or chemically synthesized antibacterial substance.

Note: The residue definition is flumequine only. The residue definition will not be changed.

1. "Other terrestrial mammals" refers to all terrestrial mammals, except cattle and pig.
2. "Edible offal" refers to all edible parts, except muscle, fat, liver and kidney.
3. "Other fish" refers to all fish, except Salmoniformes, Anguilliformes and Perciformes.