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Japan Notifies WTO of Revised Picoxystrobin Residue Standards

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Report Highlights:

On June 3, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the agricultural chemical, Picoxystrobin, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/646](#). There will be no public comment period established for this proposal as this proposal relaxes the regulation. However, interested U.S. parties are welcomed to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point (us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov).

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General Information:

On June 3, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the agricultural chemical, Picoxystrobin, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/646](#). Japan's proposed changes to the MRLs for Picoxystrobin can be found [here](#), or below in Annex-1.

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(The following is taken from Japan's notification)

Annex 1 – Japan's Revised MRL for Picoxystrobin

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current)
Wheat	0.04	0.04
Barley	0.3	0.3
Rye	0.04	0.04
Corn (maize, including pop corn and sweet corn)	0.04	0.04
Buckwheat	0.04	0.04
Other cereal grains ¹	○ 0.3	0.04
Soybeans, dry	○ 0.06	0.05
Beans, dry ²	○ 0.2	0.06
Peas	0.06	0.06
Broad beans	0.06	0.06
Other pulses ³	0.06	0.06
Japanese yam (including Chinese yam)	○ 0.05	
Japanese radish, roots (including radish)	○ 0.1	
Japanese radish, leaves (including radish)	○ 15	
Turnip, roots (including rutabaga)	○ 0.5	
Turnip, leaves (including rutabaga)	○ 40	
Chinese cabbage	2	2
Cabbage	1	1
Broccoli	○ 5	
Lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce)	15	15
Onion	0.05	0.05
Welsh (including leek)	2	2
Garlic	○ 0.05	
Nira	○ 15	
Asparagus	○ 0.3	
Carrot	○ 0.5	
Other vegetables ⁴	0.08	0.08
Unshu orange, pulp	●	0.1
Unshu orange(whole commodity.)	○ 2	
Citrus natsudaidai, whole	3	3
Lemon	3	3
Orange (including navel orange)	3	3
Grapefruit	3	3
Lime	3	3
Other citrus fruits ⁵	3	3
Apple	2	2
Japanese pear	1	1
Pear	1	1

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current)
Peach	●	0.3
Peach (whole commodity after removal of stems and stones but the residue calculated and expressed on the whole commodity without	○ 5	
Cherry	5	5
Sesame seeds	0.08	0.08
Rapeseeds	0.08	0.08
Other oil seeds ⁶	0.08	0.08
Other spices ⁷	10	10
Cattle, muscle	○ 0.0	
Pig, muscle	○ 0.0	
Other terrestrial mammals ⁸ , muscle	○ 0.0	
Cattle, fat	○ 0.0	
Pig, fat	○ 0.0	
Other terrestrial mammals, fat	○ 0.0	
Cattle, liver	○ 0.0	
Pig, liver	○ 0.0	
Other terrestrial mammals, liver	○ 0.0	
Cattle, kidney	○ 0.0	
Pig, kidney	○ 0.0	
Other terrestrial mammals, kidney	○ 0.0	
Cattle, edible offal ⁹	○ 0.0	
Pig, edible offal	○ 0.0	
Other terrestrial mammals, edible offal	○ 0.0	
Milk	○ 0.0	
Chicken, muscle	○ 0.0	
Other poultry ¹⁰ , muscle	○ 0.0	
Chicken, fat	○ 0.0	
Other poultry, fat	○ 0.0	
Chicken, liver	○ 0.0	
Other poultry, liver	○ 0.0	
Chicken, kidney	○ 0.0	
Other poultry, kidney	○ 0.0	
Chicken, edible offal	○ 0.0	
Other poultry, edible offal	○ 0.0	
Chicken eggs	○ 0.0	
Other poultry, eggs	○ 0.0	
Wheat germ	○ 0.2	
Wheat bran	○ 0.2	

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current) ppm
Soybean oil	○ 0.2	

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

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

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

* The uniform limit 0.01 ppm will be applied to commodities for which draft MRLs are not given in this table and to commodities not listed above.

* Diagonal line means deletion of a food category to which an MRL applies.

* Food categories "Unshu orange, pulp" and "Peach" will be abolished and integrated into "Unshu orange (whole commodity)" and "Peach (whole commodity after removal of stems and stones but the residue calculated and expressed on the whole commodity without stems.)", respectively, followed by the current food category system for MRLs for agricultural and veterinary chemicals in Japan.

1. "Other cereal grains" refers to all cereal grains, except rice (brown rice), wheat, barley, rye, corn (maize) and buckwheat.
2. "Beans, dry" including butter beans, cowbeans (red beans), lentil, lima beans, pegia, sultani, sultapya and white beans.
3. "Other pulses" refers to all legumes/pulses, except soybeans (dry), beans (dry), peas, broad beans, peanuts (dry) and spices.
4. "Other vegetables" refers to all vegetables, except potatoes, sugar beet, sugarcane, cruciferous vegetables, composite vegetables, liliaceous vegetables, umbelliferous vegetables, solanaceous vegetables, cucurbitaceous vegetables, spinach, bamboo shoots, okra, ginger, peas (with pods, immature), kidney beans (with pods, immature), green soybeans, mushrooms, spices and herbs.
5. "Other citrus fruits" refers to all citrus fruits, except unshu orange, citrus natsudaikai, lemon, orange (including navel orange), grapefruit, lime and spices.
6. "Other oil seeds" refers to all oil seeds, except sunflower seeds, sesame seeds, safflower seeds, cotton seeds, rapeseeds and spices.
7. "Other spices" refers to all spices, except horseradish, wasabi (Japanese horseradish) rhizomes, garlic, peppers chili, paprika, ginger, lemon peels, orange peels (including navel orange), yuzu (Chinese citron) peels and sesame seeds.
8. "Other terrestrial mammals" refers to all terrestrial mammals, except cattle and pig.
9. "Edible offal" refers to all edible parts, except muscle, fat, liver and kidney.
10. "Other poultry" refers to all poultry, except chicken.