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## Japan

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### **Japan Notifies WTO of Revised Pyribencarb Residue Standards**

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**Report Highlights:**

On May 10, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the agricultural chemical, Pyribencarb, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/640](#). Japan implemented this new standard on February 7, 2019. 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](mailto:us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov)).

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**General Information:**

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(The following is taken from Japan's notification)

**Annex 1 – Japan's Revised MRL for Pyribencarb**

Commodity	MRL (renewed) ppm	MRL (previous) ppm
Rice (brown rice)	0.2	0.2
Wheat	0.7	0.7
Soybeans, dry	0.7	0.7
Beans, dry <sup>1</sup>	2	2
Peas	2	2
Broad beans	2	2
Other pulses <sup>2</sup>	2	2
Chinese cabbage	10	10
Cabbage	2	2
Broccoli	2	2
Lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce)	20	20
Onion	0.1	0.1
Welsh (including leek)	2	2
Nira	10	10
Asparagus	0.5	0.5
Carrot	0.7	0.7
Tomato	3	3
Pimiento (sweet pepper)	○ 2	
Egg plant	2	2
Cucumber (including gherkin)	1	1
Water melon	0.2	0.2
Melons	0.1	0.1
Peas, immature (with pods)	5	5
Kidney beans, immature (with pods)	2	2
Green soybeans	2	2
Other vegetables <sup>3</sup>	5	5
Unshu orange, pulp	0.3	0.3
Citrus natsudaidai, whole	5	5
Lemon	5	5
Orange (including navel orange)	5	5
Grapefruit	5	5
Lime	5	5
Other citrus fruits <sup>4</sup>	5	5
Apple	2	2
Japanese pear	3	3
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Peach	0.5	0.5
Nectarine	2	2
Apricot	2	2
Japanese plum (including prune)	5	5
Mume plum	5	5
Cherry	10	10
Strawberry	5	5

Commodity	MRL (renewed) ppm	MRL (previous) ppm
Grape	2	2
Japanese persimmon	1	1
Kiwifruit	0.2	0.2
Tea	40	40
Other spices <sup>5</sup>	20	20
Fish	0.04	0.04

○: Commodity for which MRLs are increased. This MRL have been taken effect on 07/02/2019.

\* The uniform limit 0.01 ppm is applied to commodities for which renewed MRLs are not given in this table and to commodities not listed above.

The residue definition for agricultural products is the sum of pyribencarb and metabolite B **【Methyl (Z)-[2- chloro-5- (1-[(6-methylpyridin-2-yl)methoxy]imino)ethyl)benzyl]carbamate】** , expressed as pribencarb. For aquatic products, pyribencarb only

1. “Beans, dry” including butter beans, cowbeans (red beans), lentil, lima beans, pegia, sultani, sultapya and white beans.
2. “Other pulses” refers to all legumes/pulses, except soybeans (dry), beans (dry), peas, broad beans, peanuts (dry) and spices.
3. “Other vegetables” refers to all vegetables, except potatoes, sugar beet, sugarcane, cruciferous vegetables, composite vegetables, liliaceous vegetables, umbelliferous vegetables, solanaceous vegetables, cucurbitaceous vegetables, pinach, bamboo shoots, okra, ginger, peas (with pods, immature), kidney beans (with pods, immature), green soybeans, mushrooms, spices and herbs.
4. “Other citrus fruits” refers to all citrus fruits, except unshu orange (pulp), citrus natsudaidai (pulp), citrus natsudaidai (peel), citrus natsudaidai (whole), lemon, orange (including navel orange), grapefruit, lime and spices.
5. “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.