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Report Highlights:

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General Information:

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Chlorpropham

Japan proposes the following changes to the MRLs for Chlorpropham:

Commodity (for feed)	Proposed MRL (mg/kg)	Current MRL (mg/kg)
Oats	0.02	-
Barley	0.02	0.05
Wheat	0.02	0.05
Maize	0.05	0.05
Rye	0.02	0.05

Note: The MRLs are established for the parent compound Chlorpropham only.

Fenobucarb

Japan proposes the following changes to the MRLs for Fenobucarb:

Commodity (for feed)	Proposed MRL (mg/kg)	Current MRL (mg/kg)
Oats	(withdraw)	0.3
Barley	(withdraw)	0.3
Wheat	0.3	0.3
Maize	(withdraw)	0.3
Milo	(withdraw)	0.3
Rye	(withdraw)	0.3

Note: The MRLs are established for the parent compound Fenobucarb only.

Imidacloprid

Japan proposes the following changes to the MRLs for Imidacloprid:

Commodity (for feed)	Proposed MRL (mg/kg)	Current MRL (mg/kg)
Oats	0.04	0.05
Barley	0.04	0.05
Wheat	0.2	0.05
Maize	0.05	0.05
Milo	0.04	0.05
Rye	0.04	0.05
Hay	0.5	0.5

Note: The MRLs are established for the parent compound Imidacloprid only.

Hay includes hay and fodder (dry), straw, forage (green) and silage. The MRL is set as 90% dry matter base.