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### **Notifies WTO of Revised Difenoconazole Residue Standards**

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**Report Highlights:**

On February 6, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the pesticide Difenoconazole via [G/SPS/N/JPN/611](#). The public comment period for the draft will close on April 7, 2019. Interested U.S. parties are encouraged to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point ([us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov](mailto:us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov)). For potential inclusion in the U.S. official position, please send your comments by March 24, 2019.

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**General Information:**

On February 6, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the pesticide Difenoconazole via [G/SPS/N/JPN/611](#). Japan's proposed changes to the MRLs for Difenoconazole can be found [here](#).

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## Difenoconazole

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current) ppm
Rice (brown rice)	0.2	0.2
Wheat	0.1	0.1
Barley	0.1	0.1
Corn (maize, including pop corn and sweet corn)	○ 0.01	
Soybeans, dry	0.1	0.1
Beans, dry <sup>1</sup>	○ 0.05	
Peas	○ 0.2	
Broad beans	○ 0.05	
Peanuts, dry	0.01	0.01
Other pulses <sup>2</sup>	○ 0.2	
Potato	○ 0.2	0.1
Sugar beet	0.3	0.3
Horseradish	0.4	0.4
Cabbage	2	2
Brussels sprouts	2	2
Cauliflower	2	2
Broccoli	2	2
Other cruciferous vegetables <sup>3</sup>	2	2
Salsify	0.4	0.4
Artichoke	○ 2	
Chicory	0.08	0.08
Lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce)	2	2

<b>Commodity</b>	<b>MRL (draft) ppm</b>	<b>MRL (current) ppm</b>
Other composite vegetables <sup>4</sup>	0.6	0.6
Onion	0.2	0.2
Welsh (including leek)	6	6
Garlic	0.2	0.2
Asparagus	○ 0.5	0.03
Other liliaceous vegetables <sup>5</sup>	9	9
Carrot	0.2	0.2
Parsley	25	25
Celery	10	10
Other umbelliferous vegetables <sup>6</sup>	0.5	0.5
Tomato	0.6	0.6
Pimiento (sweet pepper)	2	2
Egg plant	0.6	0.6
Other solanaceous vegetables <sup>7</sup>	1	1
Cucumber (including gherkin)	0.7	0.7
Pumpkin (including squash)	0.7	0.7
Water melon	0.1	0.1
Melons	0.05	0.05
Okra	0.6	0.6
Ginger	0.05	0.05
Peas, immature (with pods)	0.7	0.7

Kidney beans, immature (with pods)	0.7	0.7
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Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current) ppm
Shiitake mushroom	●	0.6
Other mushrooms <sup>8</sup>	●	0.6
Other vegetables <sup>9</sup>	0.7	0.7
Citrus natsudaidai, whole	0.6	0.6
Lemon	0.6	0.6
Orange (including navel orange)	0.6	0.6
Grapefruit	0.6	0.6
Lime	0.6	0.6
Other citrus fruits <sup>10</sup>	0.6	0.6
Apple	0.8	0.8
Japanese pear	0.8	0.8
Pear	0.8	0.8
Quince	0.8	0.8
Loquat	0.2	0.2
Peach	0.2	0.2
Nectarine	0.7	0.7
Apricot	1	1
Japanese plum (including prune)	0.3	0.3
Mume plum	3	3
Cherry	3	3
Strawberry	2	2
Blueberry	4	4
Grape	4	4

<b>Commodity</b>	<b>MRL (draft) ppm</b>	<b>MRL (current) ppm</b>
Japanese persimmon	0.7	0.7
Banana	0.1	0.1
Papaya	0.2	0.2
Avocado	0.6	0.6
Mango	0.07	0.07
Passion fruit	0.05	0.05
Other fruits <sup>11</sup>	2	2
Sunflower seeds	0.02	0.02
Sesame seeds	0.1	0.1
Rapeseeds	0.2	0.2
Other oil seeds <sup>12</sup>	0.1	0.1
Ginkgo nut	0.03	0.03
Chestnut	0.03	0.03
Pecan	0.03	0.03
Almond	0.03	0.03
Walnut	0.03	0.03
Other nuts <sup>13</sup>	0.03	0.03
Tea	15	15
Coffee beans	○ 0.01	
Other spices <sup>14</sup>	0.6	0.6
Other herbs <sup>15</sup>	35	35

<b>Commodity</b>	<b>MRL (draft) ppm</b>	<b>MRL (current) ppm</b>
Cattle, muscle	0.2	0.2
Pig, muscle	0.2	0.2
Other terrestrial mammals <sup>16</sup> , muscle	0.2	0.2
Cattle, fat	0.2	0.2
Pig, fat	0.2	0.2
Other terrestrial mammals, fat	0.2	0.2
Cattle, liver	2	2
Pig, liver	2	2
Other terrestrial mammals, liver	2	2
Cattle, kidney	2	2
Pig, kidney	2	2
Other terrestrial mammals, kidney	2	2
Cattle, edible offal <sup>17</sup>	2	2
Pig, edible offal	2	2
Other terrestrial mammals, edible offal	2	2
Milk	0.02	0.02
Chicken, muscle	0.01	0.01
Other poultry <sup>18</sup> , muscle	0.01	0.01
Chicken, fat	0.01	0.01
Other poultry, fat	0.01	0.01
Chicken, liver	0.01	0.01
Other poultry, liver	0.01	0.01
Chicken, kidney	0.01	0.01

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (current) ppm
Other poultry, kidney	0.01	0.01
Chicken, edible offal	0.01	0.01
Other poultry, edible offal	0.01	0.01
Chicken eggs	0.03	0.03
Other poultry, eggs	0.03	0.03
Pepper,dried	○ 5	

- : Commodities for which MRLs are to be lowered or deleted.
- : Commodities for which MRLs are to be increased or newly set.

\* 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.

Note: The residue definition for agricultural products is difenoconazole only. For animal products, sum of difenoconazole and its metabolite D **【1-[2-chloro-4-(4-chlorophenoxy)phenyl]-2-(1*H*-1,2,4-triazol-1yl)ethanol】**, expressed as difenoconazole. The residue definition will not be changed. 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, broadbeans, peanuts (dry), and spices.

3. “Other cruciferous vegetables” refers to all cruciferous vegetables, except Japanese radishroots and leaves (including radish), turnip roots and leaves, horseradish, watercress, Chinese cabbage, cabbage, brussels sprouts, kale, komatsuna (Japanese mustard spinach), kyona, qinggeng-cai, cauliflower, broccoli, and herbs.

4. “Other composite vegetables” refers to all composite vegetables, except burdock, salsify, artichoke, chicory, endive, shungiku, lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce), and herbs. 5. “Other liliaceous vegetables” refers to all liliaceous vegetables, except onion, welsh (including leek), garlic, nira, asparagus, multiplying onion, and herbs.

6. “Other umbelliferous vegetables” refers to all umbelliferous vegetables, except carrot, parsnip, parsley, celery, mitsuba, spices, and herbs.

7. “Other solanaceous vegetables” refers to all solanaceous vegetables, except tomato, pimiento (sweet pepper), and egg plant.



8. "Other mushrooms" refers to all mushrooms, except button mushroom, and shiitakemushroom.
9. "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.
10. "Other citrus fruits" refers to all citrus fruits, except unshu orange (pulp), citrus natsudaikai(pulp), citrus natsudaikai (peel), citrus natsudaikai (whole), lemon, orange (including navel orange), grapefruit, lime, and spices.
11. "Other fruits" refers to all fruits, except citrus fruits, apple, Japanese pear, pear, quince,loquat, peach, nectarine, apricot, Japanese plum (including prune), mume plum, cherry, berries, grape, Japanese persimmon, banana, kiwifruit, papaya, avocado, pineapple, guava, mango, passion fruit, date and spices.
12. "Other oil seeds" refers to all oil seeds, except sunflower seeds, sesame seeds, safflowerseeds, cotton seeds, rapeseeds and spices.
13. "Other nuts" refers to all nuts, except ginkgo nut, chestnut, pecan, almond and walnut.
14. "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.
15. "Other herbs" refers to all herbs, except watercress, nira, parsley stems and leaves, celerystems and leaves.
16. "Other terrestrial mammals" refers to all terrestrial mammals, except cattle and pig.
17. "Edible offal" refers to all edible parts, except muscle, fat, liver, and kidney.
18. "Other poultry animals" refers to all poultry, except chicken.