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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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NOTIFICATION

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| 1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED KINGDOM</u> If applicable, name of local government involved: |
| 2. Agency responsible: The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and the Health and Safety Executive |
| 3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable): Almonds (0120010), brazil nuts (0120020), cashew nuts (0120030), chestnuts (0120040), coconuts (0120050), hazelnuts/cobnuts (0120060), macadamias (0120070), pecans (0120080), pine nut kernels (0120090), pistachios (0120100), walnuts (0120110), others – tree nuts (0120990), apples (0130010), pears (0130020), apricots (0140010), cherries (sweet) (0140020), peaches (0140030), plums (0140040), others - stone fruit (0140990), table grapes (0151010), wine grapes (0151020), blackberries (0153010), blueberries (0154010), rose hips (0154050), bananas (0163020), potatoes (0211000), tomatoes (0231010), sweet peppers/bell peppers (0231020), aubergines/egg plants (0231030), cucumbers (0232010), gherkins (0232020), courgettes (0232030), others - cucurbits-edible peel (0232990), melons (0233010), pumpkins (0233020), watermelons (0233030), others - cucurbits - inedible peel (0233990), sweet corn (0234000), broccoli (0241010), cauliflowers (0241020), others - flowering brassicas (0241990), chinese cabbages/pe-tsai (0243010), kales (0243020), others - leafy brassicas (0243990), lamb's lettuce/corn salads (0251010), lettuces (0251020), escaroles/broad-leaved endives (0251030), roman rocket/rucola (0251060), baby leaf crops (including brassica species) (0251080), spinaches (0252010), chards/beet leaves (0252030), basil and edible flowers (0256080), cardoons (0270020), celeries (0270030), florence fennels (0270040), rhubarbs (0270070), cotton seeds (0401090), maize/corn (0500030), muscle – swine (1011010), muscle – bovine (1012010), muscle – sheep (1013010), muscle – goat (1014010), muscle – equine (1015010), muscle – other farmed terrestrial animals (1017010), cattle - milk (1020010), sheep - milk (1020020), goat - milk (1020030), horse - milk (1020040), and others - milk and cream (1020990) * For reference, the full list of GB commodity codes is set out in Part 1 of the GB pesticides Maximum Residue Level Statutory Register – see link . |
| 4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries: |
| 5. Title of the notified document: Proposed GB MRLs for indoxacarb amending the GB MRL Statutory Register. Language(s): English. Number of pages: 20 https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2026/SPS/GBR/26_01699_00_e.pdf |
| 6. Description of content: Indoxacarb is not an approved active substance in Great Britain (GB). Following the non-approval decision, the Health and Safety Executive carried out a review in line with the UK's regulatory regime. Following assessment, new GB MRLs are proposed. For the full list of changes please refer to the draft Evaluation Report/Reasoned Opinion. |

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| <p>The Evaluation Report/Reasoned Opinion supporting the new MRLs is available at the following link: The review of the existing MRLs for indoxacarb.</p> <p>The assessment/ reasoned opinion has concluded that the current MRLs for the following commodities do not satisfy the UK's appropriate level of protection and therefore new lowered MRLs are adopted: apples, pears, stone fruits, grapes, blackberries, blueberries, rose hips, bananas, tomatoes, sweet peppers/bell peppers, aubergines/egg plants, cucurbits with edible peel, cucurbits with inedible peel, flowering brassica, leafy brassica, lamb's lettuce/corn salads, lettuces, escaroles/broad-leaved endives, roman rocket/rucola, baby leaf crops (including brassica species), spinaches, chards/beet leaves, basil and edible flowers, cardoons, celeries, florence fennels, rhubarbs, cotton seeds, and milk.</p> <p>Following assessment new raised MRLs are being adopted for tree nuts, potatoes, sweet corn, and maize/corn.</p> <p>All new MRLs result in consumer exposures below the toxicological reference values.</p> |
| <p>7. Objective and rationale: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.</p> |
| <p>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): Codex standard derived from JMPR active substance number 216</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard: Following review of the available evidence, HSE concluded that a number of the CXLs for indoxacarb do not satisfy the UK's appropriate level of protection. Details of the HSE's assessment for indoxacarb can be found in the Reasoned Opinion.</p> |
| <p>9. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</p> |
| <p>10. Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy): 25 July 2026</p> <p>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy): 25 July 2026</p> |
| <p>11. Proposed date of entry into force: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 25 January 2027</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p> |
| <p>12. Final date for comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 26 May 2026</p> <p>Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p> <p>UK WTO SPS National Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Seacole Building 2 Marsham St London SW1P 4DF E-mail: UKSPS@defra.gov.uk</p> |

13. Text(s) available from: National Notification Authority, National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:

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