

Commission Directive 2006/13/EC of 3 February 2006 amending Annexes I and II to Directive 2002/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on undesirable substances in animal feed as regards dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs (Text with EEA relevance)

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ANNEX

(a) Point 27 in Annex I to Directive 2002/32/EC is replaced by the following:

| Undesirable substances | Products intended for animal feed | Maximum content relative to a feedingstuff with a moisture content of 12 % |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) |
| 27a. Dioxins (sum of polychlorinated dibenzo- <i>para</i> -dioxins (PCDDs) and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs) expressed in World Health Organisation (WHO) toxic equivalents, using the WHO-TEFs (toxic equivalency factors, 1997 ^a) | (a) Feed materials of plant origin with the exception of vegetable oils and their by-products | 0,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (b) Vegetable oils and their by-products | 0,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (c) Feed materials of mineral origin | 1,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (d) Animal fat, including milk fat and egg fat | 2,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (e) Other land animal products including milk and milk products and eggs and egg products | 0,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (f) Fish oil | 6,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (g) Fish, other aquatic animals, their products and by-products with the exception of fish oil and fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat ^d | 1,25 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (h) Fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat | 2,25 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (i) The additives kaolinitic clay, | 0,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |

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| | | calcium sulphate dihydrate, vermiculite, natrolite-phonolite, synthetic calcium aluminates and clinoptilolite of sedimentary origin belonging to the functional groups of binders and anti-caking agents | |
| | (j) | Additives belonging to the functional group of compounds of trace elements | 1,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (k) | Premixtures | 1,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (l) | Compound feedingstuffs, with the exception of feed for fur animals, pet foods and feed for fish | 0,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| | (m) | Feed for fish. Pet foods | 2,25 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} |
| 27b. | | Sum of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs (sum of polychlorinated dibenzo- <i>para</i> -dioxins (PCDDs), polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs) and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) expressed in World Health Organisation (WHO) toxic equivalents, using the WHO-TEFs (toxic equivalency factors, 1997 ^a | |
| | (a) | Feed materials of plant origin with the exception of vegetable oils and their by-products | 1,25 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| | (b) | Vegetable oils and their by-products | 1,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| | (c) | Feed materials of mineral origin | 1,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| | (d) | Animal fat, including milk fat and egg fat | 3,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| | (e) | Other land animal products including milk and milk | 1,25 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |

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| | products and eggs and egg products | |
| (f) | Fish oil | 24,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (g) | Fish, other aquatic animals, their products and by-products with the exception of fish oil and fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat ^d | 4,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (h) | Fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat | 11,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (i) | Additives belonging to the functional groups of binders and anti-caking agents | 1,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (j) | Additives belonging to the functional group of compounds of trace elements | 1,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (k) | Premixtures | 1,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (l) | Compound feedingstuffs, with the exception of feed for fur animals, pet foods and feed for fish | 1,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |
| (m) | Feed for fish. Pet foods | 7,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg ^b |

^a WHO-TEFs for human risk assessment based on the conclusions of the World Health Organisation meeting in Stockholm, Sweden, 15-18 June 1997 (Van den Berg et al., (1998) Toxic Equivalency Factors (TEFs) for PCBs, PCDDs, and PCDFs for Humans and for Wildlife. Environmental Health Perspectives, 106(12), 775).

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
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| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

Abbreviations used: "T" = tetra; "Pe" = penta; "Hx" = hexa; "Hp" = hepta; "O" = octa; "CDD" = chlorodibenzodioxin; "CDF" = chlorodibenzofuran; "CB" = chlorobiphenyl.

- b** Upper-bound concentrations; upper-bound concentrations are calculated on the assumption that all values of the different congeners below the limit of quantification are equal to the limit of quantification.
- c** The separate maximum level for dioxins (PCDD/F) remains applicable for a temporary period. The products intended for animal feed mentioned in point 27a have to comply both with the maximum levels for dioxins and with the maximum levels for the sum of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs during that temporary period.
- d** Fresh fish directly delivered and used without intermediate processing for the production of feed for fur animals is not subject to the maximum levels, while maximum levels of 4,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg product and 8,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-PCB-TEQ/kg product are applicable to fresh fish used for the direct feeding of pet animals, zoo and circus animals. The products, processed animal proteins produced from these animals (fur animals, pet animals, zoo and circus animals) cannot enter the food chain and cannot be fed to farmed animals which are kept, fattened or bred for the production of food.'

(b) Annex II to Directive 2002/32/EC is replaced by the following:

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| 'Undesirable substances | Products intended for animal feed | Action threshold relative to a feedingstuff with a moisture content of 12 % | Comments and additional information (e.g. nature of investigations to be performed) |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) |
| 1. Dioxins (sum of polychlorinated dibenzo- <i>para</i> -dioxins (PCDDs), polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs) expressed in World Health Organisation (WHO) toxic equivalents, using the | (a) Feed materials of plant origin with the exception of vegetable oils and their by-products | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| | (b) Vegetable oils and their by-products | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|---|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-<i>p</i>-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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b Upper-bound concentrations; upper-bound concentrations are calculated on the assumption that all values of the different congeners below the limit of quantification are equal to the limit of quantification.

c The Commission will review these action levels by 31 December 2008 at the latest at the same time as it reviews the maximum levels for the sum of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs.⁷

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| WHO-TEFs (toxic equivalency factors, 1997 ^a) | | | eliminate source of contamination. | |
| | (c) | Feed materials of mineral origin | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| | (d) | Animal fat, including milk fat and egg fat | 1,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| | (e) | Other land animal products | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| | including milk and milk products and eggs and egg products | | take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (f) | Fish oil | 5,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., should be recorded |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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- b** Upper-bound concentrations; upper-bound concentrations are calculated on the assumption that all values of the different congeners below the limit of quantification are equal to the limit of quantification.
- c** The Commission will review these action levels by 31 December 2008 at the latest at the same time as it reviews the maximum levels for the sum of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs.'

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| | | | with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
| (g) | Fish, other aquatic animals, their products and by-products with the exception of fish oil and fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat | 1,0 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded, all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., must be recorded |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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- b** Upper-bound concentrations; upper-bound concentrations are calculated on the assumption that all values of the different congeners below the limit of quantification are equal to the limit of quantification.
- c** The Commission will review these action levels by 31 December 2008 at the latest at the same time as it reviews the maximum levels for the sum of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs.'

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| | | | with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
| (h) | Fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat | 1,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded, all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., must be recorded |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| | | | with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
| (i) | Additives belonging to the functional groups of binders and anti-caking agents | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (j) | Additives belonging to the functional group of compounds | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| | of trace elements | | eliminate source of contamination. |
| (k) | Premixtures | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/ F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (l) | Compound feedingstuffs, with the exception of feedingstuffs for fur animals, pet foods and feedingstuffs for fish | 0,5 ng WHO-PCDD/ F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| (m) | Feedingstuffs for fish. Pet foods | 1,75 ng WHO-PCDD/F-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded, all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., must be recorded with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| 2. | Dioxin like PCBs (sum of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) expressed in World Health Organisation (WHO) toxic equivalents, using the WHO-TEFs (toxic equivalency factors, 1997 ^a) | (a) | Feed materials of plant origin with the exception of vegetable oils and their by-products | 0,35 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| | | (b) | Vegetable oils and their by-products | 0,5 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| | | (c) | Feed materials of mineral origin | 0,35 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| | | | measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (d) | Animal fat, including milk fat and egg fat | 0,75 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (e) | Other land animal products including milk and milk products and eggs and egg products | 0,35 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| (f) | Fish oil | 14,0 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded, all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., must be recorded with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| | (g) Fish, other aquatic animals, their products and by-products with the exception of fish oil and fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat | 2,5 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded, all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., must be recorded with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| (h) | Fish protein hydrolysates containing more than 20 % fat | 7,0 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. However, in cases where the action level is exceeded, all information, such as sampling period, geographical origin, fish species etc., must be recorded with a view to future measures to manage the presence of dioxins and dioxin-like compounds in these materials for animal nutrition. |
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|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| (i) | Additives belonging to the functional groups of binders and anti-caking agents | 0,5 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (j) | Additives belonging to the functional group of compounds of trace elements | 0,35 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (k) | Premixtures | 0,35 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| | | | possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (l) | Compound feedingstuffs, with the exception of feedingstuffs for fur animals, pet foods and feedingstuffs for fish | 0,5 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | Identification of source of contamination. Once source is identified, take appropriate measures, where possible, to reduce or eliminate source of contamination. |
| (m) | Feedingstuffs for fish. Pet foods | 3,5 ng WHO-PCB-TEQ/kg ^{bc} | In many cases it might not be necessary to perform an investigation into the source of contamination as the background level in some areas is close to or above the action level. |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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| Congener | TEF value | Congener | TEF value |
|----------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|
| Dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs) | | "Dioxin-like" PCBs | |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs + Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD | 1 | Non-ortho PCBs | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 77 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 81 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD | 0,1 | PCB 126 | 0,1 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD | 0,01 | PCB 169 | 0,01 |
| OCDD | 0,0001 | Mono-ortho PCBs | |
| Dibenzofurans (PCDFs) | | PCB 105 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,7,8-TCDF | 0,1 | PCB 114 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8-PeCDF | 0,05 | PCB 118 | 0,0001 |
| 2,3,4,7,8-PeCDF | 0,5 | PCB 123 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 156 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 157 | 0,0005 |
| 1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 167 | 0,00001 |
| 2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF | 0,1 | PCB 189 | 0,0001 |
| 1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| 1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF | 0,01 | | |
| OCDF | 0,0001 | | |

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