

1988 No. 1378

PESTICIDES

The Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Food)
Regulations 1988

Made - - - -

1st August 1988

Coming into force

except for regulation 3(b) and Schedule 2

2nd August 1988

Remainder

31st December 1988

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 16(2)(k) and (l), (15) and 24(3) of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, after consultation with the Advisory Committee on Pesticides established under section 16(7) of that Act(b), hereby make the following Regulations a draft whereof has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:—

Title and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Food) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on the day after the day on which they are made, except for regulation 3(b) and Schedule 2, which shall come into force on 31st December 1988.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

“food” includes cereals intended for human consumption listed in Schedules 1 and 2;

“maximum residue level” in the case of any food, in relation to any pesticide used in connection therewith, means the figure obtained at the point in Schedule 1 or 2 where a line drawn vertically from the reference to that pesticide intersects with a line drawn horizontally from the reference to that food;

“pesticide” means a pesticide specified in Schedule 1, 2 or 3;

“residue” in relation to any pesticide means one or more of the substances specified in an entry in column 2 of Schedule 3 alongside the entry of that pesticide in column 1 of that Schedule.

(2) Any reference in a Schedule to a food, figure or pesticide includes any qualifying words relating to that food, figure or pesticide in that Schedule.

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to a Schedule shall be construed as a reference to a Schedule to these Regulations.

(a) 1985 c.48.

(b) Established by S.I. 1985/1516.

Maximum residue levels

3. No person may leave or cause to be left—
- (a) in any food specified in Schedule 1,
 - (b) in any food specified in Schedule 2,
- a level of residue exceeding any maximum residue level applicable to such food specified in that Schedule.

Seizure or disposal of food

4. If any food has in it a residue level in excess of any maximum residue level relating to that food, either of the Ministers shall have power—
- (a) to seize or dispose of the consignment containing that food or any part of it, or to require that some other person shall dispose of it, or
 - (b) to direct some other person to take such remedial action as appears to the Minister to be necessary.

Sampling

5. The level of residue in a food shall be determined as far as practicable in accordance with the procedures laid down in Parts 5 and 6 of the Guide to Codex Recommendations Concerning Pesticide Residues(a).

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 28th July 1988.

(L.S.)

John MacGregor
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

28th July 1988

Sanderson of Bowden
Minister of State, Scottish Office

1st August 1988

Peter Walker
Secretary of State for Wales

1st August 1988

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Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
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(a) Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations and World Health Organisation joint Food Standards Programme; Codex Alimentarius Commission documents CAC/PR5-1984 and CAC/PR6-1984. Part 5 is entitled "Recommended Method of Sampling for the Determination of Pesticide Residues". Part 6 is entitled "Portion of Commodities to which Codex Maximum Residue Limits apply and which is analysed".

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 3(a)

Group to which food belongs	Food	Pesticides																								
		Aldrin & Dieldrin	Captafol	Carbaryl	Carbon Disulphide	Carbon Tetrachloride	Chlordane	DDT	Diazinon	1,2-Dibromoethane	Dichlorvos	Endosulfan	Endrin	Hexachloro-benzene (HCB)	Hexachloro-cyclohexane (HCH)			Heptachlor	Hydrogen Cyanide	Hydrogen Phosphide	Inorganic Bromide	Malathion	Methyl Bromide	Phosphamidon	Pyrethrins	Trichlorfon
Cereals	Wheat	0.01	0.05*	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.1	0.01	0.01	α 0.02	β 0.02	γ 0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3	0.1
	Rye	0.01	0.05*	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.1	0.01	0.01	0.02		0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3	0.1
	Barley	0.01	0.05*	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.1	0.01	0.01	0.02	sum of α and β	0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3	0.1
	Oats	0.01	0.05*	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.1	0.01	0.01	0.02		0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3	0.1
	Maize	0.01	0.05*	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.2	0.01	0.01	0.02		0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3	0.1
	Rice ¹	0.01	0.05*	1	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.1	0.01	0.01	0.02		0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3	0.1
	Other Cereals ²	0.01	0.05*	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.05*	2	0.1	0.01	0.01	0.02			0.1	0.01	15	0.1	50	8	0.1	0.05	3
Products of Animal Origin	Meat, Fat and Preparations of Meat ³	0.2					0.05	1					0.05	0.2	0.2	0.1	2 ⁶ ,1 ⁷	0.2								
	Milk ⁴	0.006					0.002	0.04					0.0008	0.01	0.004	0.003	0.008	0.004								
	Dairy Produce ⁵ (> 2% Fat)	0.15					0.05	1					0.02	0.25	0.1	0.075	0.2	0.1								

UNITS:

Maximum residue levels (MRLs) are expressed in milligrammes of residue per kilogramme of food.

KEY:

* Level at or about the limit of determination.

FOOTNOTES:

¹ Paddy rice.

² 'Other cereals' do not include rice.

³ Levels are measured on fat, except in the case of foods with a fat content of 10% or less by weight. In these cases the residue is related to the total weight of the boned foodstuff, and the MRL is one tenth of the value given in the table, but must be no less than 0.01 mg/kg.

⁴ These levels are for fresh raw cow's milk and fresh whole cream cow's milk expressed on the whole milk.

⁵ For preserved, concentrated or sweetened cow's milk; for raw milk and whole cream milk of another animal origin; and for butter, cheese or curd whether made from cow's milk or other milk or a combination, the following levels apply:

— if the fat content is less than 2% by weight, the MRL is taken as half that set for raw milk and whole cream milk;

— if the fat content is 2% or more by weight, the MRL is expressed in mg/kg of fat and is set at 25 times that set for raw milk and whole cream milk.

⁶ Sheepmeat only.

⁷ All meat except sheepmeat

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 3(b)

Group to which food belongs	Food	Pesticides																								
		Aldrin & Dieldrin	2-Aminobutane	Aminotriazole (Amitrole)	Azinphos-methyl	Bitertanol	Captafol	Captan	Carbaryl	Carbendazim	Carbophenothion	Chlordane	Chlorfenvinphos	Chlorpyrifos-methyl	DDT	Diazinon	1,2-Dibromoethane	Dichlofluanid	Dichlorvos	Dicofol	Diflubenzuron	Dimethipin	Dimethoate	Dithiocarbamates	Endosulfan	Endrin
Cereals	Wheat									0.5				10												
	Rye									0.5				10												
	Barley									0.5				10												
	Oats									0.5				10												
	Maize													10												
	Rice ¹																									
	Other Cereals ²													10												
	Products of Animal Origin	Meat, Fat and Preparations of Meat ³												0.2	0.05		0.7			0.05		0.05*				
Milk ⁴										0.1*			0.008	0.01		0.02			0.02		0.05*					
Dairy Produce ⁵ (> 2% Fat)																										
Eggs ⁶		0.1								0.1*		0.02		0.05	0.5				0.05*		0.05*					0.2
Citrus Fruit		Oranges	0.05	5	0.05*	2		0.05*	0.1	7	10	2	0.02*	1		1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5	1		2		2
	Other Citrus	0.05	5	0.05*	2		0.05*	0.1	7	10	2	0.02*	1		1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5	1		2		2	0.02
Pome Fruit	Apples	0.05		0.05*	1	1	0.05*	3	5	5	1	0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5	1		1	3	2	0.02
	Pears	0.05		0.05*	1	1	0.05*	3	5	5	1	0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5	1		1	3	2	0.02
Stone Fruit	Peaches and Nectarines	0.05		0.05*	4	1	0.05	2	10	10	1	0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5			2	3	2	0.02
	Plums	0.05		0.05*	1	1	0.05	2	10	2	1	0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5	1		2	1	2	0.02
Berries, Small Fruit and Soft Fruit	Grapes	0.05		0.05*	2		0.05*	3	5	10		0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	15	0.1	5			1	5	2	0.02
	Strawberries	0.05		0.05*	1		0.05*	3	7	5		0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	10	0.1	5			1	3	2	0.02
	Raspberries	0.05		0.05*	1		0.05*	3	10	5		0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	15	0.1	5			1	5	2	0.02
	Blackcurrants	0.05		0.05*	1		0.05*	3	10	5		0.02*	0.05		0.1	0.5	0.01	15	0.1	5			2	5	2	0.02
Assorted Fruit	Bananas	0.05		0.05*	1	0.5	0.05*	0.1	5	1		0.02*	0.05		1	0.5	0.01	5	0.1	5			1	1	2	0.02
Roots and Tuber Vegetables	Potatoes	0.05	50	0.05*	0.2		0.05*	0.1	0.2	3		0.02*	0.5		0.1	0.5	0.01	0.1	0.5	5		0.1*	0.05	0.1	0.2	0.02
	Carrots	0.05		0.05*	0.5		0.05*	0.1	2			0.02*	0.5		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5			1	0.5	0.2	0.02
	Turnips	0.05		0.05*	0.5		0.05*	0.1	1			0.02*	0.5		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5			1		2	0.02
	Swedes	0.05		0.05*	0.5		0.05*	0.1	2			0.02*	0.5		0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5			1		2	0.02

Bulb Vegetables	Onions	0.05	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	0.1	1	2	0.02*	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	1	1	0.02		
Fruiting Vegetables	Tomatoes	0.05	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	3	5	5	0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	1	1	3	2	0.02	
	Cucumbers	0.05	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	0.1	3	0.5	0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	2	2	0.5	2	0.02	
Brassica Vegetables	Cabbage	0.05	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	0.1	5		0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	1	2	2	0.02	
	Cauliflowers	0.05	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	0.1	1	0.5	0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	2		2	0.02	
	Brussels Sprouts	0.05	0.05*	1	0.05*	0.1	1	0.5	0.5	0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	1	2	2	0.02
Legume Vegetables	Beans	0.5	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	2	5		0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	2	0.5	2	0.02	
	Peas	0.5	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	2	5		0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	1		2	0.02	
Stem Vegetables	Celery	0.5	0.05*	2	0.05*	0.1	3	2	0.02*	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.01		0.5	5	1		2	0.02	
	Leeks	0.5	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	2	1		0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	5	0.5	5	1		2	0.02	
Leaf Vegetables	Lettuce	0.05	0.05*	0.5	0.05*	2	10	5	0.02*	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.01	10	1	5			2	0.02	
Fungi	Mushrooms	0.05	0.05*		0.05*	0.1	1	1	0.02*	0.05	0.1	0.5	0.01		0.5	5	0.1	1		0.02	

Units, Keys and Footnotes are at the end of this Schedule.

SCHEDULE 2 - continued

Group to which food belongs	Food	Pesticides																							
		Ethion	Etrifos	Fenitrothion	Fluazifop	Flurochloridone	Haloxifop	Hexachloro-benzene (HCB)	Hexachlorocyclo-hexane (HCH) γ	Heptachlor	Imazalil	Inorganic Bromide	Ioxynil	Iprodione	Malathion	Mercury Compounds	Methacrifos	Mevinphos	Omethoate	Parathion	Parathion-methyl	Phosalone	Pirimiphos-methyl	Quintozene	Tecnazene
Cereals	Wheat		10	10												0.02	10						10		
	Rye		10	10												0.02	10						10		
	Barley		10	10												0.02	10						10		
	Oats		10	10												0.02	10						10		
	Maize		10	10												0.02	10						10		
	Rice ¹																								
	Other Cereals ²		10	10												0.02	10						10		
	Products of Animal Origin	Meat, Fat and Preparations of Meat ³																							
	Milk ⁴																								
	Dairy Produce ⁵																								
	(> 2% Fat)																								
	Eggs ⁶							1	0.1	0.05															
Citrus Fruit	Oranges	2		2					1	0.01	5/0.1 ⁷	30			2			0.2	1	1	0.2	1	0.5		
	Other Citrus	2		2					1	0.01	5/0.1 ⁷	30			2			0.2	1	1	0.2	1	0.5		
Pome Fruit	Apples	0.5		0.5			0.05*		1	0.01*		20		10	0.5	0.02		0.2	1			2			
	Pears	0.5		0.5			0.05*		1	0.01*		20		10	0.5	0.02		0.2	1			2			
Stone Fruit	Peaches and Nectarines	0.5		0.5					1	0.01*		20		10	0.5			0.5	1			2			
	Plums	0.5		0.5					1	0.01*		20		10	0.5			0.5	1			1			
Berries, Small Fruit and Soft Fruit	Grapes	0.5		0.5					0.5	0.01*		20		10	0.5			0.1	1			1			
	Strawberries	0.1		0.5					3	0.01*		30		10	0.5			0.1	1			1			
	Raspberries	0.1		0.5					3	0.01*		20		5	0.5			0.1	1			1			
	Blackcurrants	0.1		0.5					3	0.01*		20		5	0.5			0.1	1			1			
Assorted Fruit	Bananas	0.1		0.5					1	0.01*		20			0.5				0.2			1		1	
Roots and Tuber Vegetables	Potatoes			0.05*	0.1	0.01*			0.05*	0.05					0.5	0.02		0.1	0.05			0.1*		0.2	
	Carrots	0.1		0.5		0.01*			0.2	0.2					0.5	0.02		0.1	0.2			0.1			
	Turnips	0.1		0.5		0.01*			1	0.05					0.5	0.02		0.1	0.2			0.1			
	Swedes	0.1		0.5		0.01*			1	0.05					0.5	0.02		0.1	2			0.1			

Bulb Vegetables	Onions	0.1	0.5	0.01*	1	0.05	0.1	0.1	3	0.02	0.1	0.1	1	
Fruiting Vegetables	Tomatoes	0.1	0.5		2	0.02	75	5	3	0.02	0.1	1	1	0.1
	Cucumbers	0.1	0.5		1	0.05	50	5	3	0.02	0.1	0.2	1	
Brassica Vegetables	Cabbage	0.1	0.5		2	0.05	100		3	0.02	0.1	0.2	1	0.02
	Cauliflowers	0.1	0.5		2	0.05			3	0.02	0.1	0.2	1	0.02
	Brussels Sprouts	0.1	0.5		2	0.05			3	0.02	0.1	0.2	1	
Legume Vegetables	Beans	0.1	0.5		1	0.05			3		0.1	0.2	1	0.01
	Peas	0.1	0.5		0.1	0.05			3		0.1	0.2	1	
Stem Vegetables	Celery	0.1	0.5		1	0.05			3	0.02	0.1	0.2	1	
	Leeks	0.1	0.5		1	0.05			3	0.02	0.1	2	1	
Leaf Vegetables	Lettuce	0.1	0.5		2	0.05			3	0.02	0.5	0.2	1	3 2
Fungi	Mushrooms	0.1	0.5		1	0.05			3	0.02	0.1	0.2	1	

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SCHEDULE 2 - continued

Group to which food belongs	Food	Pesticides			
		Thiabendazole	Triazophos	2,4,5-T	Vinclozolin
8	Cereals	Wheat Rye Barley Oats Maize Rice ¹ Other Cereals ²			
	Products of Animal Origin	Meat, Fat and Preparations of Meat ³ Milk ⁴ Dairy Produce ⁵ (> 2% Fat) Eggs ⁶			
	Citrus Fruit	Oranges Other Citrus		0.05 0.05	
	Pome Fruit	Apples Pears		0.05 0.05	1 1
	Stone Fruit	Peaches and Nectarines Plums		0.05 0.05	5 5
	Berries, Small Fruit and Soft Fruit	Grapes Strawberries Raspberries Blackcurrants		0.05 0.05 0.05 0.05	5 10 5 5
	Assorted Fruit	Bananas	1	0.05	
	Roots and Tuber Vegetables	Potatoes Carrots Turnips Swedes	5 0.1	0.05* 0.05 0.05 0.05	0.1 0.1 0.1 0.1

Bulb Vegetables	Onions	0.05*	0.05	1
Fruiting Vegetables	Tomatoes	0.05		3
	Cucumbers	0.05		1
Brassica Vegetables	Cabbage	0.1	0.05	1
	Cauliflowers	0.05		1
	Brussels Sprouts	0.1	0.05	
Legume Vegetables	Beans	0.05		2
	Peas	0.05		1
Stem Vegetables	Celery	0.05		5
	Leeks	0.05		
Leaf Vegetables	Lettuce	0.05		5
Fungi	Mushrooms	0.05		

UNITS:

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KEY:

* Level at or about the limit of determination.

FOOTNOTES:

¹ Paddy rice.

² 'Other cereals' do not include rice.

³ Levels are measured on fat, except in the case of foods with a fat content of 10% or less by weight. In these cases the residue is related to the total weight of the boned foodstuff, and the MRL is one tenth of the value given in the table, but must be no less than 0.01 mg/kg.

⁴ These levels are for fresh raw cow's milk and fresh whole cream cow's milk expressed on the whole milk.

⁵ For preserved, concentrated or sweetened cow's milk; for raw milk and whole cream milk of another animal origin; and for butter, cheese or curd whether made from cow's milk or other milk or a combination, the following levels apply:

— if the fat content is less than 2% by weight, the MRL is taken as half that set for raw milk and whole cream milk;

— if the fat content is 2% or more by weight, the MRL is expressed in mg/kg of fat and is set at 25 times that set for raw milk and whole cream milk.

⁶ Birds' eggs in shell (other than eggs for hatching) and whole egg products and egg yolk products (whether fresh, dried or otherwise prepared).

⁷ Imazalil: 5 mg/kg applies to whole fruit;

0.1 mg/kg applies to fruit without peel.

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 2

(1) <i>Pesticides</i>	(2) <i>Residues</i>
Aldrin & Dieldrin	singly or combined, expressed as dieldrin (HEOD)
2-Aminobutane	2-aminobutane
Aminotriazole	aminotriazole
Azinphos-methyl	sum of azinphos-methyl and azinphos-ethyl
Bitertanol	bitertanol
Captafol	captafol
Captan	sum of captan and folpet
Carbaryl	carbaryl
Carbendazim	carbendazim (from use of benomyl, thiophanate-methyl and carbendazim)
Carbon disulphide	carbon disulphide
Carbon tetrachloride	carbon tetrachloride
Carbophenothion	sum of carbophenothion, its sulfoxide and its sulphone, expressed as carbophenothion
Chlordane	(1) for products of animal origin: sum of <i>cis</i> - and <i>trans</i> - isomers and oxychlordane expressed as chlordane; (2) for cereals, fruit and vegetables: sum of <i>cis</i> - and <i>trans</i> - isomers expressed as chlordane
Chlorfenvinphos	sum of E- and Z- isomers of chlorfenvinphos
Chlorpyrifos-methyl	chlorpyrifos-methyl
DDT	sum of pp' -DDT, op' -DDT, pp' -TDE and pp' -DDE expressed as DDT
Diazinon	diazinon
1,2-Dibromoethane	1,2-dibromoethane
Dichlofluanid	dichlofluanid
Dichlorvos	dichlorvos
Dicofol	dicofol
Diffubenzuron	diffubenzuron
Dimethipin	dimethipin
Dimethoate	dimethoate
Dithiocarbamates	alkylenebisdithiocarbamates and alkylthiuramdisulphides and dialkyldithiocarbamates determined and expressed as carbon disulphide (CS ₂)
Endosulfan	sum of alpha- and beta- isomers and of endosulfan sulphate, expressed as endosulfan
Endrin	endrin
Ethion	ethion
Etrifos	sum of etrifos, its oxygen analogue and 6-ethoxy-2-ethyl-4-hydroxypyrimidine
Fenitrothion	fenitrothion
Fluazifop	fluazifop and esters (including conjugates) of fluazifop, expressed as free acid
Flurochloridone	flurochloridone
Haloxifop	haloxifop and esters (including conjugates) of haloxifop, expressed as free acid
Hexachlorobenzene (HCB)	hexachlorobenzene
Hexachlorocyclohexane (HCH)	hexachlorocyclohexane alpha- isomer beta- isomer gamma- isomer
Heptachlor	sum of heptachlor and heptachlor epoxide, expressed as heptachlor
Hydrogen cyanide	cyanides expressed as hydrogen cyanide

(1) <i>Pesticides</i>	(2) <i>Residues</i>
Hydrogen phosphide	phosphides expressed as hydrogen phosphide
Imazalil	imazalil
Inorganic bromide	determined and expressed as total bromine from all sources
Ioxynil	ioxynil
Iprodione	sum of iprodione and all metabolites containing 3,5-dichloroaniline moiety, expressed as iprodione
Malathion	sum of malathion and malaaxon, expressed as malathion
Mercury compounds	determined as total mercury and expressed as mercury
Methacrifos	methacrifos
Methyl bromide	bromomethane
Mevinphos	sum of <i>cis</i> - and <i>trans</i> - mevinphos
Omethoate	omethoate (from use of formothion, dimethoate and omethoate)
Parathion	parathion
Parathion-methyl	parathion-methyl
Phosalone	phosalone
Phosphamidon	sum of phosphamidon (E- and Z- isomers) and N-desethylphosphamidon (E- and Z- isomers) expressed as phosphamidon
Pirimiphos-methyl	pirimiphos-methyl
Pyrethrins	sum of pyrethrins I and II, cinerins I and II, jasmolins I and II
Quintozene	sum of quintozene, pentachloroaniline and methyl pentachlorophenyl sulphide expressed as quintozene
Tecnazene	tecnazene
Thiabendazole	thiabendazole
Triazophos	triazophos
Trichlorfon	trichlorfon
2,4,5-T	2,4,5-T
Vinclozolin	sum of vinclozolin and all metabolites containing 3,5-dichloroaniline moiety, expressed as vinclozolin

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, made under Part III of the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985, specify the maximum levels of pesticide residues which may be left in food. The Regulations, inter alia, implement Council Directives 86/362/EEC and 86/363/EEC of 24th July 1986 on the fixing of maximum levels for pesticide residues in and on cereals, and in and on foodstuffs of animal origin (viz. meat and milk and products derived therefrom) (O.J. No. L221, 7.8.86, pp.37 and 43 respectively).

The foods to which the Regulations apply are listed in Schedules 1 and 2 to the Regulations together with a list of pesticides used in connection therewith. The residues which may result from the use of those pesticides are listed in Schedule 3.

Regulation 3 provides that no person may leave in any food to which the Regulations apply, a level of residue exceeding a maximum residue level applicable to that food.

Regulation 4 enables either of the Ministers to seize or dispose of any food containing a residue level in excess of any maximum residue level, or to require some other person to dispose of that food. They may also direct some other person to take such remedial action as appears to them to be necessary.

In accordance with regulation 5 sampling of food is to be determined by reference to Parts 5 and 6 of the Codex Alimentarius Guide to Codex Recommendations Concerning Pesticide Residues. Copies of these documents are available for inspection at the Library of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Whitehall Place, London SW1A 2EY, and at the Library of the Scottish Office, New St. Andrew's House, St. James' Square, Edinburgh EH1 3TE.

Offences and penalties for contravention of regulations made under Part III of the Food and Environment Protection Act are prescribed respectively by sections 16(12) and 21(3) of that Act.

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