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COMMISSION DIRECTIVE 2007/55/EC

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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Directive 76/895/EEC of 23 November 1976 relating to the fixing of maximum levels for pesticide residues in and on fruit and vegetables⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 86/362/EEC of 24 July 1986 on the fixing of maximum levels for pesticide residues in and on cereals⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 86/363/EEC of 24 July 1986 on the fixing of maximum levels for pesticide residues in and on foodstuffs of animal origin⁽³⁾, and in particular Article 10 thereof,

Having regard to Council Directive 90/642/EEC of 27 November 1990 on the fixing of maximum levels for pesticide residues in and on certain products of plant origin, including fruit and vegetables⁽⁴⁾, and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission was informed that for azinphos-methyl current MRLs may need to be revised in the light of the availability of new information on the toxicology and consumer intake. The Commission has asked the Member State which acted as rapporteur for azinphos-methyl under Council Directive 91/414/EEC⁽⁵⁾, to make a proposal for the review of Community MRLs. Such a proposal was submitted to the Commission.
- (2) Community MRLs and the levels recommended by the *Codex Alimentarius* are fixed and evaluated following similar procedures. There are a number of Codex MRLs for azinphos-methyl. The Community MRLs based on Codex MRLs have also been evaluated by the Rapporteur Member State in the light of the new information on the risks for the consumers.
- (3) The lifetime and short-term exposure of consumers to the azinphos-methyl via food products has been reassessed and evaluated in accordance with Community procedures and practices, taking account of guidelines published by the World Health

- Organisation⁽⁶⁾. On that basis, it is appropriate to fix new MRLs, which will ensure that there is no unacceptable consumer exposure.
- (4) In order to ensure that the consumer is adequately protected from exposure to residues resulting from unauthorised uses of plant protection products, MRLs should be set for the relevant product/pesticide combinations at the lower limit of analytical determination.
- (5) It is therefore necessary to modify the MRLs set out in the Annexes to Directives 76/895/EEC, 86/362/EEC, 86/363/EEC and 90/642/EEC to allow for proper surveillance and control of the prohibition of their uses and to protect the consumer.
- (6) Through the World Trade Organisation, the Community's trading partners have been informed about the new MRLs and their comments on these levels will be taken into account.
- (7) Directives 76/895/EEC, 86/362/EEC, 86/363/EEC and 90/642/EEC should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (8) The measures provided for in this Directive are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on the Food Chain and Animal Health,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DIRECTIVE:

Article 1

In Annex II to Directive 76/895/EEC the entry relating to azinphos-methyl is deleted.

Article 2

Directive 86/362/EEC is amended in accordance with Annex I to this Directive.

Article 3

Directive 86/363/EEC is amended in accordance with Annex II to this Directive.

Article 4

Directive 90/642/EEC is amended in accordance with Annex III to this Directive.

Article 5

Member States shall adopt and publish, by 18 March 2008 at the latest, the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with this Directive. They shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions and a correlation table between those provisions and this Directive.

They shall apply those provisions from 19 March 2008.

When Member States adopt those provisions, they shall contain a reference to this Directive or be accompanied by such a reference on the occasion of their official publication. Member States shall determine how such reference is to be made.

Article 6

This Directive shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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Article 7

This Directive is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 September 2007.

For the Commission

Markos KYPRIANOU

Member of the Commission

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ANNEX I

In Part A of Annex II to Directive 86/362/EEC, the following line is added:

Pesticide residues	Maximum levels in mg/kg
'Azinphos-methyl	0,05 (*) CEREALS'

ANNEX II

In Part A of Annex II to Directive 86/363/EEC, the following line is added:

	Maximum levels in	mg/kg (ppm)	
Pesticide residues	of fat contained in meat, preparations of meat, offal and animal fats listed in Annex I under headings Nos ex 0201, 0202, 0203, 0204, 0205 00 00, 0206, 0207, ex 0208, 0209 00, 0210, 1601 00 and 1602 (1) (4)	for cow's milk and whole cream cow's milk listed in Annex I under headings No 0401: for other foodstuffs in heading Nos 0401, 0402, 0405 00 and 0406 in accordance with (2) (4)	of shelled fresh eggs, for bird's eggs and egg yolks listed in Annex I under headings Nos 0407 00 and 0408 (3) (4)
'Azinphos-methyl	0,01ª	0,01ª	0,01ª

a Indicates lower limit of analytical determination.

ANNEX III

In Part A of Annex II to Directive 90/642/EEC, the following column is added:

'Groups and examples of individual products to which the MRLs apply	Azinphos-methyl
1. Fruit, fresh, dried or uncooked, preserved by freezing, not containing added sugar, nuts	
(i) CITRUS FRUIT	0,05ª
Grapefruit	
Lemons	
Limes	
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Mandarins (including clementines and other hybrids)	
Oranges	
Pomelos	
Others	
(ii) TREE NUTS (shelled or unshelled)	0,5
Almonds	
Brazil nuts	
Cashew nuts	
Chestnuts	
Coconuts	
Hazelnuts	
Macadamia	
Pecans	
Pine nuts	
Pistachios	
Walnuts	
Others	
(iii) POME FRUIT	0,5 ^b
Apples	
Pears	
Quinces	
Others	
(iv) STONE FRUIT	0,5 ^b
Apricots	
Cherries	
Peaches (including nectarines and similar hybrids)	
Plums	
Others	

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(v)	BERRIES AND SMALL FRUIT	
(a)	Table and wine grapes	0,05ª
Table g	rapes	
Wine g	rapes	
(b)	Strawberries (other than wild)	0,5 ^b
(c)	Cane fruit (other than wild)	0,5 ^b
Blackbe	erries	
Dewber	rries	
Loganb	erries	
Raspbe	rries	
Others		
(d)	Other small fruit and berries (other than wild)	
Bilberri	ies	
Cranbe	rries	0,1
Currants (red, black and white)		0,5 ^b
Gooseb	erries	0,5 ^b
Others		0,05ª
(e)	Wild berries and wild fruit	0,05ª
(vi)	MISCELLANEOUS	0.05^{a}
Avocad	os	
Bananas		
Dates		
Figs		
Kiwi		
Kumquats		
Litchis		
Mangoes		
Olives (table consumption)		
a Indic	cates lower limit of analytical determination.	

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Olives (oil extraction)	
Papaya	
Passion fruit	
Pineapples	
Pomegranate	
Others	
2. Vegetables, fresh or uncooked, frozen or dry	
(i) ROOT AND TUBER VEGETABLES	0,05ª
Beetroot	
Carrots	
Cassava	
Celeriac	
Horseradish	
Jerusalem artichokes	
Parsnips	
Parsley root	
Radishes	
Salsify	
Sweet potatoes	
Swedes	
Turnips	
Yam	
Others	
(ii) BULB VEGETABLES	0,05ª
Garlic	
Onions	
Shallots	
Spring onions	
Others	
(iii) FRUITING VEGETABLES	
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(a)	Solanacea	0.05^{a}
Tomato	es	
Peppers		
Aubergi	ines	
Okra		
Others		
(b)	Cucurbits — edible peel	
Cucumb	pers	0,2
Gherkin	as	
Courget	tes	
Others		0,05ª
(c)	Cucurbits — inedible peel	0,05ª
Melons		
Squashe	es	
Waterm	elons	
Others		
(d)	Sweetcorn	0,05ª
(iv)	BRASSICA VEGETABLES	0,05ª
(a)	Flowering brassica	
Broccol	i (including Calabrese)	
Cauliflower		
Others		
(b)	Head brassica	
Brussels sprouts		
Head ca	bbage	
Others		
(c)	Leafy brassica	
Chinese	cabbage	
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Kale		
Others		
(d)	Kohlrabi	
(v)	LEAF VEGETABLES AND FRESH HERBS	0,05ª
(a)	Lettuce and similar	
Cress		
Lamb's 1	ettuce	
Lettuce		
Scarole ((broad-leaf endive)	
Rocket		
Leaves a turnip gr	nd stems of brassica, including eens	
Others		
(b)	Spinach and similar	
Spinach		
Beet leav	ves (chard)	
Others		
(c)	Watercress	
(d)	Witloof	
(e)	Herbs	
Chervil		
Chives		
Parsley		
Celery le	eaves	
Others		
(vi)	LEGUME VEGETABLES (fresh)	0,05ª
Beans (v	vith pods)	
Beans (v	vithout pods)	
a Indica	tes lower limit of analytical determination.	

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Peas (with pods)	
Peas (without pods)	
Others	
(vii) STEM VEGETABLES (fresh)	0,05ª
Asparagus	
Cardoons	
Celery	
Fennel	
Globe artichokes	
Leek	
Rhubarb	
Others	
(viii) FUNGI	0,05ª
(a) Cultivated mushrooms	
(b) Wild mushrooms	
3. Pulses	0,05ª
Beans	
Lentils	
Peas	
Lupines	
Others	
4. Oilseed	
Linseed	
Peanuts	
Poppy seeds	
Sesame seeds	
Sunflower seed	
Rapeseed	
Soya bean	
Mustard seed	
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Cotton	seed	0,2
Hemp	seed	
Others		0,05ª
5.	Potatoes	0,05ª
Early p	potatoes	
Ware p	ootatoes	
6.	Tea (dried leaves and stalks, fermented or otherwise, <i>Camellia sinensis</i>)	0,1ª
7.	Hops (dried), including hop pellets and unconcentrated powder	0,1ª

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- (1) OJ L 340, 9.12.1976, p. 26. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/8/EC (OJ L 63, 1.3.2007, p. 9).
- (2) OJ L 221, 7.8.1986, p. 37. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/27/EC (OJ L 128, 16.5.2007, p. 31).
- (3) OJ L 221, 7.8.1986, p. 43. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/28/EC (OJ L 135, 26.5.2007, p. 6).
- (4) OJ L 350, 14.12.1990, p. 71. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/39/EC (OJ L 165, 27.6.2007, p. 25).
- (5) OJ L 230, 19.8.1991, p. 1. Directive as last amended by Commission Directive 2007/52/EC (OJ L 214, 17.8.2007, p. 3).
- (6) Guidelines for predicting dietary intake of pesticide residues (revised), prepared by the GEMS/Food Programme in collaboration with the Codex Committee on Pesticide Residues, published by the World Health Organisation 1997 (WHO/FSF/FOS/97.7).