



Temporary maximum residue levels for chlorpropham (CIPC)

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Chlorpropham

- Non-renewal of approval - Regulation (EU) 2019/989 - Maximum grace period set on 8 October 2020.
- ARfD exceeded by 797% for chlorpropham and 2360% for 3-chloroaniline – representative use on potatoes.
- COM intends to lower the existing MRL for potatoes once the grace period has expired.
- COM submitted a concern form to CCPR to withdraw the existing Codex Limit set at 30 mg/kg.

Temporary MRL for potatoes

- Potato trade organisations and manufacturers of CIPC informed on cross-contamination from storage facilities.
- Potato industry submitted an application for the setting of a temporary MRL - Article 16(1)(a) of Regulation 396/2005.
- NL (RMS) evaluated and proposed values ranging from 0,3 to 0,5 mg/kg depending on scenario and methodology.
- EFSA is assessing whether the MRL proposals are safe to consumers - Reasoned Opinion by January 2020.

Key messages to potato industry

- COM does not recommend treating crops until the very end of the grace period to avoid MRL non-compliance.
- Potato sector to apply stringent cleaning practices to prevent cross-contamination.
- Potato sector to develop a study to estimate the decline of residue levels over time.