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Japan Notifies WTO of Revised Mandestrobin Residue Standards

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Report Highlights:

On April 25, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the agricultural chemical, Mandestrobin, via <u>G/SPS/N/JPN/634</u>. There will be no public comment period established for this proposal as this proposal relaxes the regulation. However, interested U.S. parties are welcomed to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point (us.spsenquirypoint@fas.usda.gov).

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General Information:

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(The following is taken from Japan's notification)

Commodity	MRL (draft) ppm	MRL (currei ppm
Soybeans, dry	0.3	
Beans, dry ¹	0.2	
Peas	0.3	
Broad beans	0.3	
Other pulses ²	0.3	
Chinese cabbage	o 5	
Cabbage	5	
Kale	40	
Komatsuna (Japanese mustard spinach)	40	
Kyona	25	
Qing-geng-cai	40	
Other cruciferous vegetables ³	40	
Shungiku	o 50	
Lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce)	40	
Tomato	10	
Egg plant	2	
Cucumber (including gherkin)	2	
Water melon	0.1	
Melons	0.05	(
Peas, immature (with pods)	5	
Kidney beans, immature (with pods)	10	
Green soybeans	10	
Other vegetables ⁴	10	
Apple	5	
Japanese pear	2	
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Peach	0.2	
Nectarine	5	
Apricot	5	
Japanese plum (including prune)	2	
Mume plum	5	
Cherry	5	
Strawberry	3	
Grape	10	
Japanese persimmon	3	
Rapeseeds	o 0.5	
Tea	40	
Other herbs ⁵	40	

Annex 1 – Japan's Revised MRL for Mandestrobin

O : Commodities for which MRLs are to be increased or newly set.

* The uniform limit 0.01 ppm will be applied to commodities for which draft MRLs are not given in this table and to commodities not listed above.

Note: The residue definition is sum of mandestrobin *R*-isomer and mandestrobin *L*-isomer. The residue difinition will not be changed.

- 1. "Beans, dry" including butter beans, cowbeans (red beans), lentil, lima beans, pegia, sultani, sultapya and white beans.
- 2. "Other pulses" refers to all legumes/pulses, except soybeans (dry), beans (dry), peas, broad beans, peanuts (dry) and spices.
- 3. "Other cruciferous vegetables" refers to all cruciferous vegetables, except Japanese radish roots and leaves (including radish), turnip roots and leaves, horseradish, watercress, Chinese cabbage, cabbage, brussels sprouts, kale, komatsuna (Japanese mustard spinach), kyona, qing-geng-cai, cauliflower, broccoli and herbs.
- 4. "Other vegetables" refers to all vegetables, except potatoes, sugar beet, sugarcane, cruciferous vegetables, composite vegetables, liliaceous vegetables, umbelliferous vegetables, solanaceous vegetables, cucurbitaceous vegetables, pinach, bamboo shoots, okra, ginger, peas (with pods, immature), kidney beans (with pods, immature), green soybeans, mushrooms, spices and herbs.
- 5. "Other herbs" refers to all herbs, except watercress, nira, parsley stems and leaves, celery stems and leaves.