



CHANGES TO THE MRL STATUS FOR FENPYROXIMATE ON CITRUS IN THE EU AND CANADA

European Union

The EU have notified their intention to lower the EU MRL for Fenpyroximate on citrus from 0.5 mg/kg to 0.15 mg/kg. The likely date of publication of this change is in February 2017 and the new MRLs will come into effect 21 days after publication and would affect fruit arriving in the EU immediately thereafter.

The current recommended usage restriction is "28d PHI as registered" which results in compliance with the South African MRL of 0.2 mg/kg. It is therefore necessary to adjust this Recommended Usage Restriction to now achieve this proposed lower EU MRL. Based on the existing available data to CGA and CRI the Recommended Usage Restriction for Fenpyroximate on fruit destined for the EU will be "60d PHI as registered".

Canada

Health Canada have reviewed the Fenpyroximate MRL on citrus and in November 2016 notified of a proposed increase to the MRL to 0.5 mg/kg on citrus¹. A default of 0.1 mg/kg is currently being applied with an associated recommended usage restriction of "150d PHI and not-later than end-October".

Only when this revised MRL is officially published will it be possible to change the recommended usage restrictions. If the published MRL is indeed at 0.5 mg/kg a corresponding pre-harvest interval of "28d PHI as registered" will apply. The revised MRL is proposed to come into effect in early 2017.

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¹ WTO notice G/SPS/N/CAN/1076).