



Health Canada Santé Canada

Your health and safety... our priority.

Votre santé et votre sécurité... notre priorité.

Proposed Maximum Residue Limit

PMRL2009-21

Etoxazole

(publié aussi en français)

11 December 2009

This document is published by the Health Canada Pest Management Regulatory Agency. For further information, please contact:

Publications
Pest Management Regulatory Agency
Health Canada
2720 Riverside Drive
A.L. 6605C
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0K9

Internet: pmra.publications@hc-sc.gc.ca
healthcanada.gc.ca/pmra
Facsimile: 613-736-3758
Information Service:
1-800-267-6315 or 613-736-3799
pmra.infoserv@hc-sc.gc.ca

Canada 

HC Pub: 091191

ISBN: 978-1-100-14368-2 (978-1-100-14369-9)
Catalogue number: H113-24/2009-21E (H113-24/2009-21E-PDF)

© Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, represented by the Minister of Health Canada, 2009

All rights reserved. No part of this information (publication or product) may be reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise, or stored in a retrieval system, without prior written permission of the Minister of Public Works and Government Services Canada, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0S5.

Under the authority of the *Pest Control Products Act*, Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) is proposing to establish maximum residue limits (MRLs) for etoxazole on pome fruits (Crop Group 11), tree nuts (Crop Group 14), grapes, raisins, strawberries and undelinted cotton seeds to permit the import and sale of foods containing these residues. See Appendix I for a list of crop group commodities.

Etoxazole is a miticide not currently registered for use in Canada.

The PMRA has determined the quantity of residues likely to remain in or on the imported food commodities when etoxazole is used according to label directions in the exporting country. The Agency has also determined that such residues will not be a concern to human health and is proposing to legally establish corresponding import MRLs. An MRL applies to the identified raw agricultural food commodity as well as to any processed food product that contains it, except where separate MRLs are specified for the raw agricultural commodity and a processed product made from it.

Details regarding the import MRLs can be found in the corresponding Evaluation Report available in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website, under Public Registry, Pesticide Product Information Database.¹

Consultation on the proposed import MRLs for etoxazole is being conducted via this document (see Next Steps).

To comply with Canada's international trade obligations, consultation on the proposed MRLs is also being conducted internationally by notifying the World Trade Organization, as coordinated by the Standards Council of Canada.

The proposed import MRLs for etoxazole in Canada in or on food are as follows.

Table 1 Proposed Maximum Residue Limits for Etoxazole

Common Name	Residue Definition	MRL (ppm)	Food Commodity
Etoxazole	2-(2,6-difluorophenyl)-4-[4-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-ethoxyphenyl]-4,5-dihydrooxazole	1.5	Raisins
		0.5	Grapes, strawberries
		0.2	Pome fruits (Crop Group 11)
		0.05	Undelinted cotton seeds
		0.01	Tree nuts (Crop Group 14), pistachios

¹ The relevant report can be accessed by selecting the Applications/New/Historical tab and opening the Evaluation Report found under Application Number 2008-0581.

MRLs are proposed for each commodity included in the listed crop groupings in accordance with Appendix I.

A complete list of all MRLs established in Canada can be found on the Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides webpage in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website.

International Situation and Trade Implications

The proposed MRLs in Canada are the same as the corresponding tolerances established in the United States (tolerances listed in the Electronic Code of Federal Regulations by pesticide). Currently, Codex MRLs² have not been established for etoxazole on any commodity. A listing of established Codex MRLs is available on the Codex Alimentarius Pesticide Residues in Food website.

Next Steps

The PMRA invites the public to submit written comments on the proposed import MRLs for etoxazole up to 75 days from the date of publication of this document. Please forward your comments to Publications. The PMRA will consider all comments received before making a final decision on the proposed import MRLs for etoxazole and posting a corresponding Established Maximum Residue Limit document in the Pesticides and Pest Management section of Health Canada's website.

² Codex is an international organization under the auspices of the United Nations that develops international food standards, including MRLs.

Appendix I Crop Groups: Numbers and Definitions

Crop Group Number	Name of the Crop Group	Food Commodities Included in the Crop Group
11	Pome fruits	Apples Crabapples Loquats Mayhaws Oriental pears Pears Quinces
14	Tree Nuts	Almonds Beechnuts Black walnuts Brazil nuts Butternuts Cashew nuts Chestnuts Chinquapins English walnuts Filberts Hickory nuts Macadamia nuts Pecans