
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which are made under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, amend the Pesticides (Maximum Residue Levels in Crops, Food and Feeding Stuff) (Scotland) Regulations 2005 (“the principal Regulations”).

These Regulations implement in part Commission Directive [2007/7/EC](#) (O.J. No. L 43, 15.02.07, p.19) and implement Commission Directives [2007/8/EC](#) (O.J. No. L 63, 01.03.07, p.9), [2007/9/EC](#) (O.J. No. L 63, 01.03.07, p.17), [2007/11/EC](#) (O.J. No. L 63, O.J. 01.03.07, p.26) and [2007/12/EC](#) (O.J. No. L 59, 27.02.07, p.75).

The Regulations come into force, in stages, on 16th August, 28th August 2007, 2nd September 2007 and 21st January 2008.

The Regulations substitute or insert—

- (a) new residue definitions for the pesticides Acetamiprid, Imazosulfuron, Methoxyfenozide, Mevinphos, Milbemectin, Phenmedipham, S-metholachlor, Thiacloprid and Tribenuron-methyl in Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations which identifies the pesticide residues that are taken into account in the measuring of residue levels for each pesticide; and
- (b) new maximum residue levels for the pesticides Abamectin, Acetamiprid, Aldicarb, Benomyl and carbendazim, Bifenthrin, Imazosulfuron, Lambda-cyhalothrin, Linuron, Methomyl thiodicarb, Methoxyfenozide, Mevinphos, Milbemectin, Penconazole, Phenmedipham, Phosphamidon, Pymetrozine, S-metholachlor, Thiacloprid and Tribenuron-methyl in Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment (“RIA”) was prepared in respect of the principal Regulations which provides a basis for establishing the impact of amendments to those Regulations. Copies of the RIA can be obtained from the Scottish Executive Rural Directorate, Area 1 B, Pentland House, 47 Robb’s Loan, Edinburgh, EH14 1TY. Copies have been placed in the Scottish Parliament Information Centre.