

Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Regulations 1985

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1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the *Agricultural Produce* (*Chemical Residues*) *Regulations 1985* ¹.

2. Commencement

These regulations shall come into operation on 1 September 1985.

2AA. Terms used in these regulations

(1) In these regulations unless the contrary intention appears — "animal feeding stuff" means any substance, including any mixture or compound, and whether in package form or in bulk, used or intended for consumption by any animal or offered for sale for that purpose, and includes basic feed, processed food and manufactured stock foods;

"basic feed" means any grain, seeds, hay, meat or fish used as, or in the preparation of, an animal feeding stuff;

- **"by-product"** means any substance produced from an animal or plant, in any process of treatment or manufacture, not being the primary object of such process;
- **"Food Standards Code"** means the code published under the name "Food Standards Code" in the Commonwealth *Food Standards Gazette* on 27 August 1987 together with any amendments to the standards in that Code up to and including "Amendment 84":
- **"manufactured stock food"** means any feed made up of one or more of the following
 - (a) basic feed;
 - (b) processed food;
 - (c) by-products,
- and includes stock licks but does not include basic feed only;
- "MRL Standard" means the "Maximum Residue Limit Standard", listing maximum residue limits set by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) as published in the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemical Gazette of the Commonwealth, together with any amendments, as at February 2006;
- "processed food" means a basic feed which has been changed in form by chemical, physical, or mechanical treatment and includes by-products.
- (2) In these regulations a reference to agricultural produce by a group name specified in Column 1 of Schedule 1 is a reference to the agricultural produce specified opposite that group name in Column 2 of that Schedule.
 - [Regulation 2AA inserted in Gazette 22 May 1987 p. 2202; amended in Gazette 11 Jun 1996 p. 2431-2; 11 Aug 2006 p. 2977-8.]

2A. Agricultural chemicals

If a substance is —

- (a) defined as a "metal contaminant" in the Food Standards Code, Standard 1.4.1, clause 2; or
- (b) defined as a "chemical" in the Food Standards Code, Standard 1.4.2, clause 1(6) and listed in bold type in one of the shaded boxes in Schedule 1 of that Standard; or
- (c) listed as a "compound" in the MRL Standard Table 4; or
- (d) listed as in Schedule 3 to these regulations,

that substance is prescribed to be an "agricultural chemical" for the purposes of the Act.

[Regulation 2A inserted in Gazette 11 Aug 2006 p. 2978.]

3. Maximum residue limits

- (1) Subject to this regulation, the maximum residue limits prescribed for agricultural chemicals in agricultural produce are those set out in
 - (a) the Table to clause 2 of the Food Standards Code, Standard 1.4.1; or
 - (b) Schedule 1 of the Food Standards Code, Standard 1.4.2; or
 - (c) Table 4 to the MRL Standard.
- (2) Where there is no maximum residue limit prescribed for an agricultural chemical in agricultural produce under subregulation (1), the maximum residual limit is zero.
- (3) Where mixed agricultural produce listed in a Schedule or Table referred to in subregulation (1) contains more than one kind of agricultural produce listed under or against an agricultural chemical, then the following formulae are to be used to

calculate a maximum residue limit (MRL) for the agricultural chemical in relation to that mixed agricultural produce —

For a mixture of 2:

$$MRL\ C = \frac{Weight\ A}{Total\ Weight} \times MRL\ A + \frac{Weight\ B}{Total\ Weight} \times MRL\ B$$

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Where —

MRL C = the MRL that applies to the agricultural chemical in the mixed agricultural produce;

MRL A = the MRL for the agricultural chemical which applies to agricultural produce A;

MRL B = the MRL for the agricultural chemical which applies to agricultural produce B;

Total Weight = the total weight of the mixed agricultural produce;

Weight A = the total weight of agricultural produce A;

Weight B = the total weight of agricultural produce B.

For a mixture of more than 2:

$$MRL\ C = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{Weight\ i}{Total\ Weight} \times MRL\ i$$

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(4) Where residues of 2 or more of the agricultural chemicals listed in any one group of those specified in Schedule 3 are present in any agricultural produce, then when the following formula is

applied, the MRL levels are exceeded if the result (Z) is greater than 1.

Where 2 residues are present:

$$\frac{Concentration\ of\ chemical\ A\ present}{MRL\ for\ chemical\ A} + \frac{Concentration\ of\ chemical\ B\ present}{MRL\ for\ chemical\ B} = Z$$

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Where more than 2 residues are present:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{[i]}{MRL i} = Z$$

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[Regulation 3 inserted in Gazette 11 Aug 2006 p. 2978-9.]

4. Method of determination

For the purpose of determining the agricultural chemicals present in agricultural produce, the agricultural produce examined shall consist of the whole agricultural produce and the results of the analysis shall be expressed in milligrams of the residue per kilogram (mg/kg) of the whole agricultural produce except in the case of the following agricultural produce, which shall be examined subject to the modifications specified below —

- (a) bananas crown tissue and stalk shall be removed and discarded;
- (b) tree nuts shells shall be removed and discarded;
- (c) strawberries caps (hulls) shall be removed and discarded;
- (d) melons stems shall be removed and discarded;

- corn (Zea mays) stems and outer sheaths (husks) shall be removed from the ears and discarded (only the corn kernels shall be examined);
- pineapples the crowns (leaves at the top of the fruit) (f) shall be removed and discarded;
- passionfruit skin shall be removed and discarded; (g)
- (h) eggs — shells shall be removed and discarded;
- stone fruits stones shall be removed and discarded; (i)
- root vegetables where a maximum residue limit is (j) specified in relation to a root vegetable including tops or with tops and the tops and the root are marketed together, they shall be analysed separately and neither the residue on the roots nor the residue on the tops shall exceed the maximum residue limit.

[Regulation 4 amended in Gazette 11 Jun 1996 p. 2432.]

[5. Repealed Warrant to enter

The form set out in Schedule 4 is prescribed for the purposes of section 14(4) of the Act.

[Regulation 5 inserted in Gazette 30 Dec 200420 Mar 2007 p. 68941036.]

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Schedule 1

[Regulation 2AA]

Column 1 Group name	Column 2 Agricultural produce
Alliums	Chives, Garlic, Leeks, Onions, Shallots
Berry fruits	Blackberries, Boysenberries, Currants, Elderberries, Gooseberries, Loganberries, Mulberries, Raspberries, Rosehips, Strawberries, Vaccinium berries
Berry vegetables	Cape gooseberry, Capsicums, Eggplant, Okra, Tomatoes
Cereal grains	Barley, Maize, Millet, Oats, Rice, Rye, Sorghum, Triticale, Wheat
Citrus fruits	Citrons, Cumquats, Grapefruits, Lemons, Limes, Mandarins, Oranges, Pomeloes, Tangeloes, Tangors
Cucurbits	Chokos, Cucumbers, Marrows, Melons, Pumpkins, Squash
Fish	Crustaceans, Freshwater fish, Sea-fish, Shellfish
Fruit	Avocadoes, Bananas, Berry fruits, Citrus fruits, Custard apples, Figs, Grapes, Guavas, Mangoes, Monstera, Passionfruit, Pawpaws, Persimmons, Pineapples, Pome fruits, Stone fruits
Leafy vegetables	Chinese cabbage, Cole crops (Broccoli, Brussel sprouts, Cabbages, Cauliflowers, Kale, Kohlrabi), Cress, Endive, Lettuce, Spinach, Swiss chard, Turnip tops
Meat	Buffaloes, Cattle, Goats, Pigs, Sheep
Oil seeds	Cottonseed, Linseed, Rapeseed, Safflower seed, Sunflower seed
Pome fruits	Apples, Crabapples, Loquats, Medlars, Pears, Pomegranates, Quinces
Poultry	Domestic fowls, Ducks, Geese, Guinea fowls, Pheasants, Pigeons, Quail, Turkeys

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Column 1 Group name	Column 2 Agricultural produce
Root vegetables	Artichokes, Beetroot, Carrots, Celeriac, Chicory root, Horseradish, Parsnips, Potatoes, Radishes, Salsify, Scorzonera, Swede turnips, Sweet potatoes, Turnips
Seed and pod vegetables	Broad beans, Dried bean seeds, Dried pea seeds, Garden peas, Green beans, Lentils, Mung beans, Soya beans, Sugar peas
Stalk vegetables	Asparagus, Bamboo shoots, Celery, Fennel, Rhubarb
Stone fruits	Apricots, Cherries, Nectarines, Peaches, Plums
Tree nuts	Almond, Brazil, Cashew, Chestnuts, Hazel, Litchi, Macadamia, Pecan, Pistachio, Walnuts
Vegetables	Alliums, Berry vegetables, Cucurbits, Leafy vegetables, Root vegetables, Seed and pod vegetables, Stalk vegetables

[Schedule 1 inserted in Gazette 11 Jun 1996 p. 2432-4.]

[Schedule 2 repealed deleted in Gazette 11 Aug 2006 p. 2979.]

Schedule 3

[Regulation 3]

Group A

Aldrin Endosulfan
Chlordane Endrin
Chlordecone Heptachlor
Dieldrin Isobenzan

Group B

BHC and its isomers

DDT (including DDD and DDE)

Dicofol

Lindane

Methoxychlor

Quintozene

Fenarimol

Group C

Camphechlor

Chlorinated terpene isomers

Group D

Famphur Azamethiphos Azinphos-ethyl **Fenamiphos** Fenchlorphos Azinphos-methyl Bromophos-ethyl Fenitrothion Carbophenothion Fensulfothion Chlorfenvinphos Fenthion Chlorpyriphos Formothion Chlorpyriphos-methyl Isocarbophos Chlorthiophos Leptophos Coumaphos Maldison Crotoxyphos Menazon

DemetonMethamidophosDiazinonMethidathionDichlorvosMevinphosDimethoateMonocrotophos

Dioxathion Naled

DisulfotonNaphthalophosDithianonOmethoateEthionParathion

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Ethoprophos Parathion-methyl

PhenkaptonSchradanPhorateSulprofosPhosaloneTemephos

Phosmet Tetrachlorvinphos

Phosphamidon Thiometon

Pirimiphos-ethyl Tributylphosphorotrithioate

Pirimiphos-methyl Trichlorfon
Prothiophos Vamidothion

Pyrazophos

Group E

Dithiocarbamates (including — propineb ferbam thiram mancozeb zineb maneb ziram)

Formetanate

Group F

4-CPA MCPB 2,4-D Picloram Diclofop-methyl 2,4,5-T

MCPA

Group G

Aldicarb Phenisopham
Aminocarb Promacyl
Bendiocarb Promecarb
Butacarb Propham
Carbaryl Propoxur
Iprodione Thiobencarb
Methomyl Thiobucarb

Oxamyl

Group H

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ChloroxuronMetobromuronDiuronMetoxuronFluometuronMonuronLinuronNoruronMethabenzthiazuronThidiazuron

Group I

Cambendazole Parbendazole Thiabendazole

Group J

Carbendazim (including — benomyl thiophanate thiophanate-methyl)

Group K

Dinoseb DNOC

Group L

Ametryn Metribuzin
Atrazine Prometryn
Aziprotryne Propazine
Cyanazine Simazine
Cycloparafate Terbuthylazine
Desmetryn Terbutryn

Group M

Alachlor Metolachlor
Butachlor Propachlor
Fluchloralin Prynachlor

Group N

Chlormequat Diquat Paraquat

Group O

Captafol Captan

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Group P

Carbon tetrachloride Ethylene dibromide (EDB) Ethylene dichloride Methyl bromide Trichloroethylene

Group Q

Azocyclotin Cyhexatin Fenbutatin-oxide

Group R

Fenfuram Methfuroxam

Group S

BioresmethrinFenvalerateCypermethrinPermethrinDeltamethrinPyrethrins

Group T

Etridiazole Triadimefon Triazbutil

[Schedule 3 inserted in Gazette 11 Jun 1996 p. 2489-91; amended in Gazette 11 Aug 2006 p. 2979-80.]

Schedule 4 — Forms

[r. 5]

[Heading inserted in Gazette 20 Mar 2007 p. 1037.]

Form 1

Agricultural Agricultural Agricultural Mesidues Acc	
Warrant	The persons named below are authorised to enter the land described below for the purpose set out below, using as much force as is necessary.
Persons authorised to enter	Any authorised persons appointed under section 6 of the Act Other persons named below: • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Land to be entered	
Purpose for which entry is permitted	
Grounds for warrant	I am satisfied that the entry is reasonably required and that — entry has been refused or is opposed or prevented; or entry cannot be obtained; or notice cannot be given under section 14(2) of the Act without occasioning undue delay or difficulty.
Justice of the Peace	Signature Name Date

[Form 1 inserted in Gazette 20 Mar 2007 p. 1037.]

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Notes

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Compilation table

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Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Regulations 1985	30 Aug 1985 p. 3127-45	1 Sep 1985 (see r. 2)		
Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 1985	18 Oct 1985 p. 4083	18 Oct 1985		
Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 1986	7 Nov 1986 p. 4173	7 Nov 1986		
Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 1987	22 May 1987 p. 2202-3	22 May 1987		
Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 1996	11 Jun 1996 p. 2431-91	11 Jun 1996		
Reprint of the <i>Agricultural Produce</i> 9 Nov 2001 (includes amendments list		es) Regulations 1985 as at		
Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 2004	30 Dec 2004 p. 6894	1 Jan 2005 (see r. 2 and <i>Gazette</i> 31 Dec 2004 p. 7130)		
Agricultural Produce (Chemical	11 Aug 2006	11 Aug 2006		

Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 2004	30 Dec 2004 p. 6894	1 Jan 2005 (see r. 2 and <i>Gazette</i> 31 Dec 2004 p. 7130)
Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Amendment Regulations 2006	11 Aug 2006 p. 2977-80	11 Aug 2006

Reprint-2: The Agricultural Produce (Chemical Residues) Regulations 1985 as at 2 Feb 2007 (includes amendments listed above)

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