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Plant protection products and biocides log – September 2024

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Actives and issues of particular interest to the sector are highlighted.

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WTO Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) notifications

UK

New GB MRLs for fludioxonil amending the GB MRL Statutory Register (Issued: 19/09/24. Deadline: N/A).
LINK: https://eping.wto.org/en/Search/Index?countryIds=C826&distributionDateFrom=2024-09-01&distributionDateTo=2024-09-23&viewData=G%2FSPS%2FN%2FGBR%2F69

New GB MRLs for isotianil amending the GB MRL Statutory Register (Issued: 19/09/24. Deadline: N/A).
LINK: https://eping.wto.org/en/Search/Index?countryIds=C826&distributionDateFrom=2024-09-01&distributionDateTo=2024-09-23&viewData=G%2FSPS%2FN%2FGBR%2F68

New GB MRLs for flonicamid amending the GB MRL Statutory Register (Issued: 19/09/24. Deadline: N/A).
LINK: https://epingalert.org/en/Search/Index?countryIds=C826&distributionDateFrom=2024-09-01&distributionDateTo=2024-09-23&viewData=G%2FSPS%2FN%2FGBR%2F70

EU pesticides legislative developments

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2390 of 6 September 2024 renewing the approval of the active substance metrafenone in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2221 of 6 September 2024 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 as regards the extension of the approval periods of the active substances acequinocyl, aluminium silicate, emamectin, fatty acids C7 to C20, pendimethalin, plant oils / rape seed oil and triclopyr

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2198 of 4 September 2024 renewing the approval of the active substance folpet in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2197 of 4 September 2024 concerning the non-approval of eggshell powder as a basic substance in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2024/2186 of 3 September 2024 renewing the approval of the active substance captan in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011

EU Standing Committee (PAFF) meetings

Pesticide Legislation 2-3/10/24

The agenda can be viewed here. Items of potential interest are listed below

Section A Information and/or discussion

A.04 Exchange of views on EFSA conclusions/EFSA scientific reports:

• New active substances / Amendment of conditions of approval

1. 1-methylcyclopropene

• Renewal of approval

6. Flufenacet

A.05 Draft Review/Renewal Reports for discussion:

• New active substances / Amendment of conditions of approval

2. Clove oil

• Renewal of approval

7. Pelargonic acid

8. Rape seed oil

9. Flutolanil

10. Sulfur

A.06 Confirmatory Information:

1. Difenoconazole

A.10 Updates, clarifications & questions on specific active substances:

8. **Acetamiprid**

Section B Draft(s) presented for an opinion

B.04 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) concerning the non-renewal of the approval of the active substance metribuzin, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 and Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/408 (Draft Renewal Report PLAN/2024/1249 RR) (PLAN/2024/1249)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 - Articles 20(1) and 78(2) Procedure: Examination procedure

Section C Draft(s) presented for discussion

C.04 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 540/2011 to update the list of active substances approved or deemed to have been approved under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council (PLAN/2024/2004)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 - Article 78(2) Procedure: Examination procedure

C.05 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/408 to update the list of candidates for substitution (PLAN/2024/2005)

Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 - Articles 78(2) Procedure: Examination procedure

Pesticide Residues, 23-24/09/24

The agenda can be viewed here. Items of potential interest are listed below

Section A Information and/or discussion

A.03 Specific substances:
1. Imazalil
4. Glufosinate
10. Metribuzin

A.12 Forthcoming draft Regulations (indicative only):
2. Difenoconazole (Article 12)

Section B Draft(s) presented for an opinion

B.01 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation (EU) …/… amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for fluxapyroxad, lambda-cyhalothrin, metalaxyl, and nicotine in or on certain products (PLAN/2024/1647) Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 - Articles 14(1)(a) and 16 Procedure: Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

B.05 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation (EU) …/… amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for zoxamide in or on certain products (PLAN/2024/307) Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 - Articles 14(1)(a) and 49(2) Procedure: Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

B.06 Exchange of views and possible opinion of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation (EU) …/… amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of the Committee as regards maximum residue levels for acetamiprid in or on certain products (PLAN/2024/1403) Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 - Article 14(1)(a) Procedure: Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

Section C Draft(s) presented for discussion

C.03 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation as regards maximum residue levels for dimoxystrobin, ethephon and propamocarb (PLAN/2024/1305) Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 - Articles 14(1)(a) and 49(2) Procedure: Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

C.04 Exchange of views of the Committee on a draft Commission Regulation as regards maximum residue levels for chlorpropham, fuberidazole, ipconazole, methoxyfenozide, s-metolachlor and triflusulfuronmethyl

(PLAN/2024/1823) Legal Basis: Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 - Articles 14(1)(a) and 49(2) Procedure: Regulatory procedure with scrutiny

Legislation, 23-24/09/24
The agenda can be viewed here. Items of potential interest are listed below

Section A Information and/or discussion

A.02 Updates, clarifications & questions on specific active substances:
1. Acetamiprid (amended report to endorse)

EFSA opinions, reviews and other EU developments

EFSA reports
Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance flufenacet (Issued: 27/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/8997

Mock Assessment: Acute prospective cumulative risk assessment (Issued: 24/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/supporting/pub/en-9014

Mock assessment: Chronic prospective cumulative risk assessment (Issued: 24/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/supporting/pub/en-9013

Data collection, hazard characterisation and establishment of cumulative assessment groups of pesticides for specific effects on the thyroid: 2024 update (Issued: 23/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/supporting/pub/en-9012

Outcome of the stakeholder consultation on the reasoned opinions for azocyclotin, bifenthrin, chlorfenapyr, cyhexatin, diazinon, dicofol, endosulfan, fenarimol, fenpropathrin and profenofos (Issued: 23/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/supporting/pub/en-9002

Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance bensulfuron-methyl (Issued: 20/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/8999

Modification of the existing maximum residue levels for cycloxydim in various crop (Issued: 17/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/8996

Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance Bacillus velezensis RTI301 (Issued: 10/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/8988

Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance Bacillus subtilis strain RTI477 (Issued 9/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/8989

Peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance amidosulfuron (Issued 4/09/24)
LINK: https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/8984

Consultations launched this month, or which were launched previously but which are still live.

Assessments following the clock stop on endocrine disruption properties for the active substance fenpyroximate in the context of the pesticides peer review, in the scientific domain Pesticides Peer Review (AIR) (Issued: 25/09/24. Deadline: 24/11/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002KFD3/pc1150

Application dossier for the setting of a new maximum residue level (MRL) for Sulfuryl fluoride - Confirmatory data following Art 12 review (Issued: 23/09/24. Deadline: 14/10/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002JP81/pc1148

Assessment Report on the active substance calcium carbide (Issued: 23/09/24. Deadline: 22/11/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002J3lp/pc1147

Application dossier for the setting of a new maximum residue level (MRL) for Isotianil - IT in Citrus Fruit and Banana, in the scientific domain Pesticides MRL (Issued: 18/09/24. Deadline: 09/10/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002FlAL/pc1141

Application for the renewal of approval of the active substance Bixafen MRL (Issued: 18/09/24. Deadline: 17/11/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002Fahx/pc1139

List of intended studies for the renewal of the approval of 2,4-D as pesticide active substance (Issued: 12/09/24. Deadline: 09/10/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002DrDR/pc1138

Assessment Report on the active substance methyl-2,5-dichlorobenzoate (Issued: 12/09/24. Deadline: 11/11/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002CJ5l/pc1146

Application dossier for the setting of a new maximum residue level (MRL) for Chlormequat chloride - in oats in the scientific domain Pesticides MRL (Issued: 11/09/24. Deadline: 02/10/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000002C2Hp/pc1134

Application for the renewal of approval of the active substance Bacillus velezensis D747
(Issued: 10/09/24. Deadline: 09/11/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk0000023Gv8/pc1118

Application for the renewal of approval of the active substance Hexythiazox (Issued: 10/09/24. Deadline: 09/11/24)
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk0000029yv3/pc1130

Assessments following the clock stop on endocrine disruption properties for the active substance clodinafop in the context of pesticides peer review (Issued: 04/09/24. Deadline: 03/11/24)
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk0000025Y4k/pc1122

Assessment Report on the active substance Choline hydrogen phosphonate, in the scientific domain Pesticides Peer Review (NAS) (Issued: 26/08/24. Deadline: 25/10/24).
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000001zhIn/pc1109

Assessment Report on the active substance 8-methyldecan-2-yl propanoate, in the scientific domain Pesticides Peer Review (NAS) (Issued: 19/08/24. Deadline: 18/10/24)
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000001twqn/pc1093

Application for the renewal of approval of the active substance pinoxaden (Issued: 19/08/24. Deadline: 18/10/24)
LINK: https://connect.efsa.europa.eu/RM/s/consultations/publicconsultation2/a0lTk000001wO2z/pc1098

UK pesticide/biocide issues

UK Expert Committee on pesticides (ECP)

- 14 March 2023 – Minutes
- 18 April 2023 – Minutes
- 18 July 2023 – Minutes
- 12 September 2023 – Minutes
- 21 November 2023 – Minutes
- 23 January 2024 – Minutes
- 23 July 2024 – Minutes **NEW**
- 10 September 2024 – Agenda **NEW**
- 26 November 2024

HSE Chemicals Regulation Division (CRD*)*

GB public consultation: creosote as a potential candidate for substitution
HSE is consulting on the availability, or lack, of potential alternatives for creosote

Under the GB Biocidal Products Regulation (GB BPR), if an active substance meets the exclusion criteria set out in Article 5(1), it would not normally be approved for use in biocidal products in GB.

However, an active substance may still be approved in accordance with Article 5(2) if certain conditions are met.

In these circumstances the active substance may also be considered as a candidate for substitution under Article 10(1) of the GB BPR.

In accordance with Article 10(3), HSE must undertake a consultation on potential candidates for substitution which involves gathering information on the availability, or lack, of suitable and sufficient alternatives.

Creosote has been identified as fulfilling at least one of the exclusion criteria and is a candidate for substitution. A public consultation has now been launched, running until the stated date:

- *Creosote (CAS 8001-58-9 EC 232-287-5) in product type 8*
  24 November 2024

  View the consultation and submit comments

It is important that interested parties (manufacturers, users of biocidal products, sectors concerned, authorities etc.) contribute to the consultation to inform the decision-making process, in particular on the availability of suitable alternatives.

Suitable alternatives are substances or technologies that would result in reduced risks (e.g. classification, properties, exposure, use pattern), and which are technically and economically feasible. We are also interested in information relating to the lack of suitable and sufficient alternatives if you believe none are available.

In-person workshop: 3 and 4 December 2024

Technical fate and behaviour assessment of plant protection products (PPPs)

HSE will be holding a 2-day workshop on technical aspects of the environmental fate and behaviour assessments of plant protection products. The workshop will present attendees with an overview of the environmental fate assessments and highlight the key issues that they must consider when preparing product authorisation submissions for Great Britain (GB) and Northern Ireland (NI).
The training will be delivered by HSE regulatory specialists and will help attendees improve the quality of their submissions and understand how these will be reviewed by HSE during the product authorisation process.

Who should attend?

This course will be specifically designed for those with at least a basic working knowledge of environmental fate and behaviour who want to develop their expertise in this specific area further.

Topics covered

- *introduction to how HSE specialists assess PPPs*
- *selection of endpoints, the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) conclusion, GB and NI Competent Authority conclusions, data gaps, additional studies and critical areas of concern*
- *assessment approaches of each environmental compartment including practical workshop sessions for soil, groundwater and surface water assessment (using HSE MS Excel calculators, ESCAPE and FOCUS groundwater models)*
- *first tier and higher tier refinement options will be covered along with top tips for making a successful application*
- *future developments and approaches to new guidance*

Location

DoubleTree by Hilton, St Maurice's Road, York YO31 7JA

Registration

Find out more and register for this fee paid workshop
The closing date for registration is ***25 November 2024.***

Upcoming GB active substance renewal submission deadlines

Apply for active substance renewal by the deadlines to keep products on the GB market

Under the GB Biocidal Products Regulation (GB BPR), active substance approvals will expire unless a renewal application is submitted at least 550 days before their expiry date.

The 550-day deadlines are coming up for the following active substance/product type combinations under GB BPR:

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- *[1α(S*),3α]-(α)-cyano-(3-phenoxyphenyl)methyl 3-(2,2-dichloroethenyl)-2.2-dichlorovinyl)-2,2-dimethylcyclopropanecarboxylate (alpha-cypermethrin) (CAS 67375-30-8 EC 614-054-3) in product type 18*
- *Bacillus sphaericus 2362, strain ABTS-1743 (CAS 143447-72-7 EC N/A) in product type 18*
- *Bacillus thuringiensis subsp. israelensis, strain SA3A (CAS N/A EC N/A) in product type 18*

- *Propan-2-ol (CAS 67-63-0 EC 200-661-7) in product types 1, 2 and 4*

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- *(E)-1-(2-chloro-1,3-thiazol-5-ylmethyl)-3- methyl-2-nitroguanidine (clothianidin) (CAS 210880-92-5 EC 433-460-1) in product type 18*
- *2-methyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one (MIT) (CAS 2682-20-4 EC 220-239-6) in product type 13*
- *Glutaral (glutaraldehyde) (CAS 111-30-8 EC 203-856-5) in product types 2, 3, 4, 6, 11 and 12*
- *N-(trichloromethylthio)phthalimide (folpet) (CAS 133-07-3 EC 205-088-6) in product types 7 and 9*

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- *Peracetic acid (CAS 79-21-0 EC 201-186-8) in product types 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6*

Any person, company or task force/consortium can support an active substance/product type combination for renewal – it doesn't have to be the original supporter.

Check the GB Article 95 List to see who the original supporters were
If any of these active substance/product type combinations are important to you, consider contacting your supplier to let them know.

If a renewal application is not submitted for the above active substance/product type combinations under GB BPR, the approval will expire. This means the active substance will no longer be able to be used in biocidal products of the relevant product type in GB.
In addition, articles treated with such products will no longer be able to be placed on the market in GB.

EU public consultation: potential candidate for substitution
The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is consulting on the availability of substitutes and alternatives to 3-iodo-2-propynylbutylcarbamate (IPBC)

The EU Biocidal Products Regulation (EU BPR) applies in NI.
If an active substance meets the substitution criteria set out in Article 10(1), it will be considered as a candidate for substitution.
This means that the supply and use of biocidal products containing candidates for substitution must be prohibited or restricted under EU BPR, unless all the following conditions can be shown:

- *for the uses specified for that product, there are no other authorised biocidal products or existing non-chemical control or prevention methods that:*
  - *present a significantly lower overall risk for human health, animal health and the environment*
  - *are sufficiently effective*
  - *present no other significant economic or practical disadvantages*
- *the chemical diversity of the available active substances is not adequate to minimise the occurrence of resistance in the target harmful organism.*

The following active substance has been identified as a potential candidate for substitution under EU BPR and ECHA has launched a public consultation to collect information on the availability of substitutes and alternatives, running until the stated date:

- *3-iodo-2-propynylbutylcarbamate (IPBC) (CAS 55406-53-6 EC 259-627-5) in product type 8*
  6 November 2024

EU public consultation: derogation to the exclusion criteria
ECHA is consulting on the essentiality of medetomidine

If an active substance meets the exclusion criteria set out in Article 5(1), it would not normally be approved for use in biocidal products. However, a derogation would allow the active substance to be approved under Article 5(2) if one of the following criteria can be met:

- *exposure is negligible*
- *the active substance is essential to prevent a serious danger to human or animal health or the environment*
- *not approving the substance would have a disproportionate negative impact on society compared to the risks*

The following active substance has been identified as meeting the exclusion criteria under EU BPR and ECHA has launched a public consultation to collect information on whether the conditions for derogation are satisfied, running until the stated date:

- *Medetomidine (CAS 86347-14-0 EC 811-718-6) in product type 21*
  6 November 2024

Comments on either of these consultations should be submitted to ECHA using the dedicated webforms.

These consultations and their outcomes are not applicable under the GB Biocidal Products Regulations (GB BPR).

Online seminar: ecotoxicological endocrine disruption (ED) assessment
27 and 28 November 2024
The live online seminar will focus on the environmental (ecotoxicological) endocrine disruption (ED) assessment and will present the current evaluation approach used by HSE (CRD) for pesticide and biocide Great Britain (GB) applications.
The event will be delivered by HSE regulatory specialists and will help attendees improve the quality of their submissions and understand how these will be reviewed by the GB regulator.

Who should attend?
Those who already carry out ecotoxicological ED assessments of pesticide/biocide substances or have an interest in the GB evaluation approach used by HSE.

Topics covered

- *introduction to ED (ecotoxicology) assessment scheme for biocide/pesticide active substances*
- *aquatic organism ED assessment*
- *use of toxicology data in ecotoxicology ED assessment*
- *deficient ED ecotoxicology datasets*

Registration
Find out more and register for this fee paid seminar
The closing date for registration is ***18 November 2024.***

EU public consultation: pyrithione zinc
The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) consultation on potential candidates for substitution and on derogation conditions

The EU Biocidal Products Regulation 528/2012 (EU BPR) applies in NI.

If an active substance meets the exclusion criteria set out in Article 5(1), it would not normally be approved for use in biocidal products. Pyrithione zinc has been identified as fulfilling at least one of the criteria set out in the Article 5(1) exclusion criteria under EU BPR.

Where an active substance meets at least one of the exclusion criteria listed in Article 5(1), it may still be approved in accordance with Article 5(2) if one of the following conditions are met:

- *the risk to humans, animals or the environment from exposure to the active substance in a biocidal product, under realistic conditions of use, is negligible*
- *the active substance is essential to prevent a serious danger to human or animal health or the environment*
- *not approving the substance would have a disproportionate negative impact on society compared to the risks.*

In these circumstances the active substance will also be considered as a candidate for substitution under Article 10(1) of the EU BPR.

Before submitting its opinion on the approval or renewal of the active substance to the Commission, ECHA will launch a consultation to collect information on potential alternatives to this substance.

The following active substance has been identified as a potential candidate for substitution under EU BPR and ECHA has launched a public consultation running until the stated date:

- *Pyrithione zinc (zinc pyrithione) (CAS 13463-41-7 EC 236-671-3) in product type(s) 6, 7, 9 and 21*
  4 October 2024

Comments should be submitted to ECHA using the dedicated webforms.

Please note this consultation and its outcome are not applicable under the GB Biocidal Products Regulations (GB BPR).

NI PPP authorisations affected by EU MRL (maximum residue levels) amendments
PPP authorisations in NI must comply with the relevant EU MRLs
This applies under the terms of the Withdrawal Agreement and the Windsor Framework.
The EU MRL review programme can result in EU MRLs being lowered and PPPs authorised in NI may be affected.
Find out the status of ongoing and upcoming EU MRL reviews

Future EU MRL amendments: thiacloprid
Publication expected late 2024
In July 2024, the EU SCoPAFF (Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed) agreed to changes to EU MRLs for an active substance under Regulation (EC) No 396/2005.
We can expect the publication of EU implementing Regulations for the revised MRLs in the next 4-6 months if these pass scrutiny by the European Parliament and Council. The MRLs are likely to come into force 6 months following publication, by mid 2025.

It is expected that EU MRLs will be amended for the following active substance:

- *thiacloprid*

Find out which commodities are affected by searching for the active substance in the EU MRL database. The related changes will shortly appear in the "not yet applicable" column.

The list above does not include EU MRLs resulting from applications to raise EU MRLs, e.g. to support new PPP uses, or proposals to list active substances on Annex IV of Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 (actives not subject to MRLs).

There are no NI authorisations for thiacloprid on any crop; no amendment or withdrawal action is required as a result of the new EU MRLs for thiacloprid.

Amendment to the approval restrictions of an active substance

Publication of HSE conclusion on prosulfuron

Applications for the amendment to the approval of active substances in GB are regulated under assimilated Regulation No 1107/2009.

***Applicant:** Syngenta Crop Protection AG*
***Substance:** Prosulfuron – a herbicidal active substance for the control of a range of broadleaf and grass weeds in maize and sweet corn.*

HSE's conclusion on prosulfuron was published on 30 August 2024 and concluded that the restriction 'use should be limited to one application every 3 years on the same field at a maximum dose of 20g active substance per hectare' can be removed from the approval.

The risk assessment which underpins the conclusion has been subject to public consultation.
View the published conclusion linked in the active substance amendments spreadsheet on the HSE website.

***Next Steps:** HSE has referred its conclusion and intended decision to GB competent authorities, as required under the Agency Agreements between HSE, Defra and the individual devolved governments*

EU active substance expiry dates

Biocidal products must be phased off the NI market

The active substance/product type combinations listed below are due to expire under the EU Biocidal Products Regulation (EU BPR) on the following date. This affects NI:

- *Iodine (CAS 7553-56-2 EC 231-442-4) in product types 1, 4 and 22*
  31 August 2025
- *n-Decanoic acid (decanoic acid) (CAS 334-48-5 EC 206-376-4) in product types 18 and 19*
  31 August 2025
- *n-Octanoic acid (octanoic acid) (CAS 124-07-2 EC 204-677-5) in product type 18*
  31 August 2025
- *Polyvinylpyrrolidone iodine (CAS 25655-41-8 EC 607-771-8) in product types 4 and 22*
  31 August 2025

Once the approvals expire, the active substances will no longer be able to be used in biocidal products of the relevant product types in NI. In addition, articles treated with such products will no longer be able to be placed on the market in NI.

If you hold an affected EU BPR product authorisation or Control of Pesticides Regulations (COPR) product approval, we will contact you about cancelling or revoking your authorisation or approval.

You will have an opportunity to submit comments or additional information and we will take account of these when finalising our decision.

If you are aware of any disproportionate negative impacts that are likely to arise from the expiry of any of the active substance/product type combinations listed above, please contact us.

EU active substance renewal submission deadline
Apply for active substance renewal by the deadline to keep products on the NI market

Under the EU BPR, active substance approvals will expire unless a renewal application is submitted to ECHA at least 550 days before their expiry date.
The 550-day deadline is coming up for the following active substance/product type combination under EU BPR. This affects NI.

- *Bacillus thuringiensis subsp. kurstaki, strain ABTS-351 (CAS N/A EC N/A) in product type 18*
  27 August 2025

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Check the EU Article 95 List to see who the original supporters were
If this active substance/product type combination is important to you, consider contacting your supplier to let them know.

If a renewal application is not submitted for the above active substance/product type combination under EU BPR, the approval will expire. This means the active substance will no longer be able to be used in biocidal products of the relevant product type in NI.

In addition, articles treated with such products will no longer be able to be placed on the market in NI.

GB active substance expiry dates postponed until 31 January 2027
This applies to biocidal active substance/product type combinations which expire between 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2026

The active substance/product type combinations are able to be postponed providing a timely renewal application is submitted and accepted.

HSE provided information about the decision to postpone expiry dates in a previous ebulletin.

The requirements have now been met for the following active substance/product type combinations:

- *4,5-Dichloro-2-octylisothiazol-3(2H)-one (4,5-dichloro-2-octyl-2H-isothiazol-3-one (DCOIT)) (CAS 64359-81-5 EC 264-843-8) in product type 21*
  From 31 December 2025 to 31 January 2027
- *Copper thiocyanate (CAS 1111-67-7 EC 214-183-1) in product type 21*
  From 31 December 2025 to 31 January 2027

If you want to supply new biocidal products containing these active substances, you can still apply for GB Biocidal Products Regulation (GB BPR) product authorisation. New products (including new trade names) must not be supplied in GB until product authorisation is granted.

HSE will provide separate updates on the renewal decisions and future expiry date postponements captured within this overall decision when relevant.

Upcoming GB active substance renewal submission deadline
Apply for active substance renewal by the deadline to keep products on the GB market

Under the GB BPR, active substance approvals will expire unless a renewal application is submitted at least 550 days before their expiry date.

The 550-day deadline is coming up for the following active substance/product type combination under GB BPR:

- *Bacillus thuringiensis subsp. kurstaki, strain ABTS-351 (CAS N/A EC N/A) in product type 18* ***27 August 2025***

Any person, company or task force/consortium can support an active substance/product type combination for renewal – it doesn't have to be the original supporter.

Check the GB Article 95 List to see who the original supporters were.
If this active substance/product type combination is important to you, consider contacting your supplier to let them know.

If a renewal application is not submitted for the above active substance/product type combination under GB BPR, the approval will expire. This means the active substance will no longer be able to be used in biocidal products of the relevant product type in GB.
In addition, articles treated with such products will no longer be able to be placed on the market in GB.

Planned removal of entries from GB Article 95 list
Suppliers that have failed to submit the relevant information to HSE will be removed from the GB Article 95 list on 3 March 2025

To remain on the GB Article 95 list there has been a requirement for the supplier to provide relevant information to HSE, including:

- *confirmation of being established in the UK (GB & NI)*
- *resubmission of data dossier or Letter of Access to a relevant data dossier*

The suppliers that are due to be removed from the list on 3 March 2025 can be found on this supplementary list.

GB Article 95 suppliers and GB biocidal product suppliers are advised to check both this supplementary list and the GB Article 95 list to confirm statuses.

If you, or your active substance supplier, are on this GB Article 95 list of entries pending removal you are advised to read our webpage on the planned removal of entries from the GB Article 95 list for more details and advice on next steps to take.

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Upcoming EU active substance approval dates

Apply for product authorisation by the deadlines to keep your products on the NI market

The following EU Biocidal Products Regulation (EU BPR) active substance approval dates are coming up:

- *Formic acid (CAS 64-18-6 EC 200-579-1) in product types 2, 3, 4 and 5*
  1 November 2024
- *Chrysanthemum cinerariaefolium, extract from open and mature flowers of Tanacetum cinerariifolium obtained with hydrocarbon solvents (CAS 89997-63-7 EC 289-699-3) in product type 18*
  1 February 2025
- *Chrysanthemum cinerariaefolium, extract from open and mature flowers of Tanacetum cinerariifolium obtained with supercritical CO2 (CAS 89997-63-7 EC 289-699-3) in product type 18*
  1 February 2025
- *Reaction mass of N,N-didecyl-N-(2-hydroxyethyl)-N-methylammonium propionate and N,N-didecyl-N-(2-(2-hydroxyethoxy)ethyl)-N-methylammonium propionate and N,N-didecyl-N-(2-(2-(2-hydroxyethoxy)ethoxy)ethyl)-N-methylammonium propionate (CAS N/A EC N/A) in product types 2 and 4*
  1 February 2025

If you supply biocidal products containing these active substances in the relevant product types, don't forget to apply for EU BPR product authorisation by the dates above to keep them on the NI market.

Upcoming EU active substance open invitation deadlines

Submit a notification by the deadline to keep active substances in the EU Review Programme

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) has published open invitations to provide an opportunity for a person, company or task force/consortium to notify an intention to take up or take over the role of participant in the EU Review Programme for the following active substance/product type combinations.

This affects NI. Anyone wishing to support one of the active substance/product type combinations listed below in the EU will need to submit a notification to ECHA by the following deadlines:

- *Reaction products of 5,5-dimethylhydantoin, 5-ethyl-5-methylhydantoin with chlorine (DCEMH) (CAS 89415-87-2 EC 401-570-7) in product type 11*
  14 November 2024
- *Reaction products of 5,5-dimethylhydantoin, 5-ethyl-5-methylhydantoin with bromine and chlorine (DCDMH) (CAS N/A EC N/A) in product type 11*
  14 November 2024

If a notification to take over the role of participant is not received, these active substance/product type combinations will be subject to an EU non-approval decision.

This means the active substances will no longer be able to be used in biocidal products of the relevant product type in NI. In addition articles treated with such products will no longer be able to be placed on the market in NI. HSE will provide separate updates on these where relevant.

If you are aware of any disproportionate negative impacts that are likely to arise from the non-approval of any of the active substance/product type combinations listed above, please contact us

LINKS

GB Pesticides Approvals Register
LINK: https://www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/pesticides-registration/active-substances/register.htm
Active substance renewals
LINK: https://www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/pesticides-registration/active-substances-renewals.htm
New active substances
LINK: https://www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/pesticides-registration/active-substances-new.htm
Pesticides news
LINK: https://www.hse.gov.uk/pesticides/news/index.htm

Expert Committee on Pesticide Residues in Food (PRiF)
The next meeting of the PRiF will be held on 16 October 2024.

29 January 2025
16 October 2024
24 January 2024 (agenda)
18 October 2023 (minutes)
19 July 2023 (minutes)
24 May 2023 (minutes)
25 January 2023 (minutes)

Pesticide residues in food monitoring results
July 2024 GB and NI Rolling Reporting, Format: ODS, Dataset: Pesticide Residues in Food - **NEW** (Issued 25/09/24)
June 2024 GB and NI Rolling Reporting, Format: ODS, Dataset: Pesticide Residues in Food - **NEW** (Issued 25/09/24)
PRiF: annual report for 2023 – **NEW** (Issued 25/09/24)
May 2024 GB and NI Rolling Reporting, Format: ODS, Dataset: Pesticide Residues in Food
April 2024 GB and NI Rolling Reporting, Format: ODS, Dataset: Pesticide Residues in Food
March 2024 GB and NI Rolling Reporting, Format: ODS, Dataset: Pesticide Residues in Food
January and February 2024 GB and NI Rolling Reporting, Format: ODS, Dataset: Pesticide Residues in Food
Pesticide residues in food quarterly data sets: Q3 2023- **NEW** (Issued 25/09/24)
Pesticide residues in food quarterly data sets: Q4 2023 - **NEW** (Issued 25/09/24)

FERA
Pesticide Usage Surveys release dates (see here.)
2021 Edible protected crops in the UK (28 February 2023)
2021 Grassland & Fodder crops in the UK (31 January 2023)
2022 Arable crops in the UK (21 November 2023)
2022 Soft Fruit in the UK (14 December 2023)
2022 Orchard crops in the UK (11 January 2024)
2022 Potato Storage in the UK (29 January 2024)

Scotland (SASA) Pesticide Usage Survey Reports
LINK: https://www.sasa.gov.uk/pesticides/pesticide-usage/pesticide-usage-survey-reports
Pesticide Usage in Scotland: Rodenticide Use on Grassland & Fodder Farms 2021 (22 February 2023)
Pesticide Usage in Scotland: Rodenticide Use on Grassland & Fodder Farms 2021 (February 2023, Biennial).
Soft Fruit Crops 2022 (13 December 2023, Biennial)
Arable crops and Potato stores 2022 (13 December 2023, Biennial)
Pesticide Usage in Scotland: Rodenticides on Arable Farms 2022 (7 March 2024, Biennial)
Pesticide Usage in Scotland: Outdoor Vegetable Crops 2023 (Expected October 2024, Biennial)

Northern Ireland (AFBI) Pesticide Usage Survey Reports
Soft Fruit Crops 2022
Top Fruit Crops 2022
Arable crops 2022

CABI bio-control and biopesticide database
Biocontrol and biopesticide products in the UK – BioProtection Portal

BCPC Update

New products and approvals - September 2024
Welcome to the latest issue of the UK Pesticide News.

Note that the following amendments to UKPG will be automatically included in the next edition of the book which is due out January 2025 but they are immediately available in the **on-line UKPG database**.

New Approvals:
- Albaugh UK has a formulation of prothioconazole + spiroxamine (*Dovex*, M20974) which mirrors the approval of *Helix* from Bayer but for use in GB only.
- Globachem has a new approval for *Rapsan Solo* (metazachlor, M 20983) which mirrors the latest approval of *Rapsan Solo* from Certis Belchim BV with approval on a range of brassica crops, nursery fruit trees and ornamental plant production and which is approved for use in GB and Northern Ireland.
- Agrocare has added spring wheat and spring barley to their diflufenican + flufenacet product (*Boudica*, M20939).
- Barclay has a new prosulfocarb product (*Taboka,* M20994) which mimics the approval of Adama's *Topsail*.
- A new supplier has appeared. Moreton Ag, based on the Isle of Man, has a 100:400 g/l diflufenican + flufenacet product (*Moreton Blockade*, M20991) which has been listed as PAR. It is only approved for use on winter barley and winter wheat. They have no other approvals (yet?).
- Another new supplier is Delsys based in Southampton which has duplicated the *Soar* (azoxystrobin) approval of *Agform* with a new MAPP No (M20989). Both these azoxystrobin products are only approved on cereals and do not have the wide range of uses that the *Amistar* approval carries. Like Moreton Ag above, this is currently its only approved product.

EAMUs added:
- *Nicocare* (M20932, nicosulfuron) has an EAMU for weed control in sweetcorn
- *Sequoia* (M18938, sulfoxaflor) has an EAMU for control of aphids and whitefly on strawberries under permanent protection with full enclosure.
- *Botanigard WP* (M17054) has an EAMU for treatment of Phorid and Scarid flies in mushrooms under permanent protection with full enclosure.
- *Clayton Facet XL* (M19724) has an EAMU for control of annual meadowgrass, blackgrass and some broad-leaved weeds in rye and triticale.
- *Coragen* (M19498, chlorantraniliprole) has an EAMU for control of large pine weevil on ornamentals under permanent protection with full enclosure.
- *Infinito* (M16335, fluopicolide + propamocarb) has two new EAMUs – one for downy mildew control in lettuce, herbs baby leaf crops etc and on for downy mildew and soil rot in radishes. Both these EAMUs replace EAMUs from 2017 with a later expiry date.

Changes to approval expiry dates: CRD have extended the approvals of a number of products and actives, most of which are detailed below.

- The approval of *Majestic* and *Terminus* (maltodextrin, 17240 & 17319) has been extended to 31/1/2026 while *Eradicoat* and *Eradicoat Max* maltodextrin, M17121 & 18852) now expire 31/8/2028.
- The approval of *Serenade ASO* (16139) has been extended by 1 year to 24/7/2026
- The approval of most fluazinam products (e.g. *Shirlan*, M20198) has been extended to 15/10/2028. Those whose expiry date has not been changed are in the process of withdrawal from the market – e.g. Belchim products that have been replaced by new MAPP Nos for Certis Belchim BV.
- The approval of *Shogun* (propaquizafop, M16527) has been extended to 31/8/2029.

Withdrawals:

- *Pan Isoxaben 500* (M20865) has been withdrawn with an expiry date of 3/11/2024.

GB Potato Plant Protection Products and Biocides Issues Risk Matrix (September 2024)

Level of risk, imminent, medium-term to longer-term →

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Moderate Impact **Cost** **Material availability** **Working practice**		Glyphosate (H) [GB 15/12/25] Flonicamid (I) [GB 31/08/26]	Flutolanil (ST) [GB 28/02/29] Azoxystrobin (F) [GB 31/12/29] Imazalil (ST) [GB 31/12/29] Ferric phosphate (M) [GB 31/12/30] Thiabendazole* (ST) [GB 31/03/32]
Small Impact **Cost** **Materials** **Change**		Esfenvalerate (I) [GB 31/12/25] Fluopicolide (F) [GB 31/05/26] Benthiavalicarb (F) [GB 31/07/27] Dimethomorph (F) [GB 31/07/27]	Flufenacet (H) [GB 31/10/27] Difenoconazole* (F) [GB 31/12/28] Fluazinam* (F) [GB 29/02/29] Rimsulfuron (H) [GB 30/04/29] Propamocarb (F) [GB 31/07/29] Prosulfocarb (H) [GB 31/10/29]

NB: All GB authorisations that were still in place as of 01/01/2021 were automatically extended for a 3-year period. A further extension was granted for some actives as of 12/04/2023

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Moderate Impact **Cost** **Material availability** **Working practice**	Azoxystrobin (F) [EU expiry 31/12/24] Imazalil (ST) [EU expiry 31/12/24] Flutolanil (ST) [EU expiry 15/06/25]	Plant oils/clove oil [EU Expiry 31/01/26] Plant oils/spear mint oil [EU Expiry 31/01/26] Ethylene (GR) [EU expiry 30/11/26] Flonicamid (I) [EU expiry 30/11/26]	Ferric phosphate (M) [EU expiry 31/12/30] Thiabendazole* (ST) [EU expiry 31/03/32] Glyphosate (H) [EU Expiry 15/12/33]
Small Impact **Cost** **Materials** **Change**	Benthiavalicarb (F) [EU authorisation expiry 13/06/24. Grace period 13/12/24] Dimethomorph (F) [EU expiry 15/02/25] Propamocarb (F) [EU expiry 15/06/25] Flufenacet (H) [EU expiry 15/06/25]	Difenoconazole* (F) [EU expiry 15/03/26] Fluazinam* (F) [EU expiry 15/04/26] Esfenvalerate (I) [EU expiry 31/05/26] Fluopicolide (F) [EU expiry 31/08/26] Prosulfocarb (H) [EU expiry 31/01/27]	Rimsulfuron (H) [EU expiry 15/08/28]

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Secondary Actives List: Actives which may become important if there are loses from priority list

Secondary List of Actives	EU Authorisation Expiry Date	GB Authorisation Expiry Date	MRL mg/kg
Acetamiprid (I)	28/02/2033	28/02/2033	0.01* (Limit of Determination)
Boscalid (F)	15/04/2026	31/07/2029	2.0
Clomazone (H)	15/06/2025	31/10/2029	0.01* (Limit of Determination)
Fludioxonil (F)	15/06/2025	31/10/2028	5.0
Pyraclostrobin (F) (with boscalid)	Pyraclostrobin 15/09/2025	Pyraclostrobin 31/10/2029	Pyraclostrobin - 0.02* (Limit of Determination)
	Boscalid 15/04/2026	Boscalid 31/07/2029	Boscalid - 2.0
Pyraflufen-ethyl (H)	31/03/2031	31/03/2031	0.02 * (Limit of Determination)
Cycloxydim (H)	31/08/2026	31/05/2026	3.0
Aclonifen (H)	31/10/2026	31/07/2025	0.02 * (Limit of Determination)
Ametoctradin (F)	31/12/2025	31/07/2026	0.05
Amisulbrom (F)	30/09/2024	30/09/2029	0.01
Bentazone (H)	31/05/2025	31/05/2025	0.2
Cyazofamid (F)	31/07/2036	31/07/2029	0.01
Fluxapyroxad (F)	31/05/2025	31/05/2025	0.1

Metobromuron (H)	31/12/2024	31/12/24	0.01* (Limit of determination, possibility this may be raised to 0.03 following EFSA review)
Oxathiapiprolin (F)	03/03/2027	03/03/2027	0.1
Pendimethalin (H)	15/01/2027	30/11/2028	0.05* (Limit Of Determination)
Propaquizafop (H)	28/02/2027	30/11/2029	0.1
Quizalofop-P-tefuryl (H)	28/02/2027	30/11/2028	0.1
Zoxamide (F)	31/06/2033	31/06/2033	0.02* (Limit of Determination)

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