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Japan Notifies WTO of Revised Fluxametamide Residue Standards

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Report Highlights:

On March 27, 2019, Japan notified the World Trade Organization of draft amendments to the maximum residue levels (MRL) for the agricultural chemical, Fluxametamide, via [G/SPS/N/JPN/628](#). Japan adopted these new MRLs on January 22, 2019. There will be no public comment period established for this proposal as this proposal relaxes the regulation. However, interested U.S. parties are welcomed to share their comments and/or concerns with USDA's enquiry point (us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov).

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General Information:

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(The following is taken from Japan's notification)

Annex 1 – Japan's Revised MRL for Fluxametamide

Commodity	MRL (renewed) ppm	MRL (previous) ppm
Soybeans, dry	○ 0.02	
Taro	○ 0.05	
Sweet potato	○ 0.02	
Japanese radish, roots (including radish)	○ 0.1	
Japanese radish, leaves (including radish)	○ 5	
Chinese cabbage	○ 0.7	
Cabbage	○ 1	
Cauliflower	○ 2	
Broccoli	○ 2	
Lettuce (including cos lettuce and leaf lettuce)	○ 10	
Onion	○ 0.02	
Welsh (including leek)	○ 1	
Tomato	○ 1	
Pimiento (sweet pepper)	○ 2	
Egg plant	○ 0.3	
Cucumber (including gherkin)	○ 0.5	
Water melon	○ 0.02	
Melons	○ 0.05	
Peas, immature (with pods)	○ 3	
Kidney beans, immature (with pods)	○ 2	
Green soybeans	○ 5	
Other vegetables ¹	○ 5	
Strawberry	○ 1	
Tea	○ 5	
Fish	○ 0.02	

○ : Commodities for which MRLs are increased. These MRLs have taken effect on 22/01/2019.

* The uniform limit 0.01 ppm is applied to commodities for which renewed MRLs are not given in this table and to commodities not listed above.

Note: The residue definition is fluxametamide only.

1. "Other vegetables" refers to all vegetables, except potatoes, sugar beet, sugarcane, cruciferous vegetables, composite vegetables, liliaceous vegetables, umbelliferous vegetables, solanaceous vegetables, cucurbitaceous vegetables, spinach, bamboo shoots, okra, ginger, peas (with pods, immature), kidney beans (with pods, immature), green soybeans, mushrooms, spic