

**1 April 2014**

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**Administrative Assessment Report –Proposal M1010**

Maximum Residue Limits (2014)

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| **Brief Description of Proposal:**  To consider varying certain maximum residue limits for residues of agricultural or veterinary chemicals that may occur in food. | | **Potentially affected Standard:**  Standard 1.4.2 |
| **Procedure:**  General | **Estimated total hours:**  Maximum 650 hours  **Reasons why:**  Varying maximum residue limits | **Estimated start work:**  January 2014 |

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| **Other Comments or Relevant Matters:**  This Proposal will consider varying certain maximum residue limits (MRLs) in the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code* (the Code). This is a routine process, both to allow the sale of food with legitimate residues and to remove limits that are no longer required.  In February 2012, FSANZ agreed to consider and consult on Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) chemical review-related MRL variations in the Code, rather than the APVMA performing this role.  This Proposal includes consideration of MRL variations requested by the APVMA in relation to regulatory decisions made by the APVMA on the use of the chemical products endosulfan and parathion-methyl.  This Proposal includes consideration of MRL variations requested by the APVMA for other chemicals, as well as those requested by other interested parties. |

***Decision***

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| **Proposal prepared**  Date: 25 March 2014 |

***Consultation & assessment timeframe***

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| **Proposed length of public consultation period:**  4 weeks |
| **Proposed timeframe for assessment:**  Commence assessment (clock start) Late March 2014  Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food reg measure Late June 2014  Public comment Early July– Early August 2014  Board to complete approval Late October 2014  Notification to Forum Early November 2014  Anticipated gazettal if no review requested Mid-January 2015 |