

**1 May 2015**

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**Administrative Assessment Report – Proposal M1011**

Maximum Residue Limits (2015)

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| **Brief Description of Proposal:**  To consider varying certain maximum residue limits for residues of agricultural and veterinary chemicals that may occur in food. | | **Potentially affected Standard:**  Standard 1.4.2 |
| **Procedure:**  General | **Estimated total hours:**  Maximum 1000 hours  **Reasons why:**  Varying maximum residue limits | **Provisional estimated start work:**  Late April 2015 |

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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 that result from regulatory decisions made following completion of reviews of the chemicals azinphos-methyl, carbendazim and carbaryl. This Proposal also considers MRL variations requested by the APVMA for other non-review chemicals as well as those requested by other interested parties. |

***Decision***

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| **Proposal prepared**  **Date: 24 April 2015** |

***Consultation & assessment timeframe***

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| **Proposed length of public consultation period:**  4 weeks |
| **Proposed timeframe for assessment:**  Commence assessment (clock start) Early May 2015  Completion of assessment & preparation of draft food regulatory Late September 2015  measure  Public comment Early–late October 2015  Board to complete approval Early February 2016  Notification to Forum Late February 2016  Anticipated gazettal if no review requested Early May 2016 |