

FRESH NOTES

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Industry Guideline Information on Restrictions on the Use of Plant Protection Products on Deciduous fruit for 2025/26 - VERSION 1 - July 2025, on HORTGRO website

Update on substances of concern

(with reference to CropLife SA's 18 June 2025 communication, attached separately)

The following relating to deciduous fruit (apricots, peach/nectarine, plum, cherry, pear, apple & table grape):

Agricultural remedies discontinued: Benomyl, Carbendazim, Flusilazole, Thiadiazole & Triadimenol, removed from relevant Hortgro lists. Regarding above discontinued actives, as indicated in the CropLife communication: "None of these agricultural remedies will be legally registered for sale and use in South Africa after June 2025". Therefore, please ensure that these products are not used after June 2025.

Agricultural remedies reclassified:

- **Dimethomorph** - BASF confirmed "reclassification" and approval of continued use for Orvego, on Hortgro table grape list.
- **Mancozeb** - UPL confirmed "reclassification" and approval of continued use for Mancozeb 800 WP (L7352), Vondozeb (L2177), Zenith 750 WG (L10895), Dithane M-45 800 WP (L2914), Dithane M-45 800 WP (L7484), Dithane 750 WG Neotec (L4213) & Crater MX 700 WP (L8427), on relevant Hortgro stone fruit, pome fruit & table grape lists.

Note: Awaiting confirmation of reclassification of remaining mancozeb-containing products.

- **Propiconazole** - Syngenta confirmed existing classification maintained, not CMR and approval of continued use for Tilt (L6668), on Hortgro apricot, peach/nectarine & plum lists.

Agricultural remedies undergoing derogation:

- **Dimethomorph** - Adama SA - Sphinx Extra WG (L9294) & Sharda International Africa - Dipet WG (L10362), under derogation, on Hortgro table grape list.
- **Emamectin benzoate & Acetamiprid** (to replace the co-formulant, as CMR substance of concern) - Adama SA - Warlock 19,2 EC (L9872), under derogation (not the active emamectin benzoate), on Hortgro apricot, peach/nectarine, plum, cherry, pear, apple & table grape lists and Doublestar 25 SL, under derogation (not the active acetamiprid), on Hortgro peach/nectarine list.
- **Propiconazole** - Adama SA - Bumper 250 EC (L6034), under derogation on Hortgro apricot, peach/nectarine, plum & cherry lists.
- **Glufosinate ammonium** - Herbicide, not on Hortgro lists. For information, derogations requested: Wentek Chemicals - Silent (9545), vineyards, orchards; Rainbow Agrosiences - Bastnate Xtra 800 SG (L10822), vineyards, orchards & Bastnate 200 SL (L10823); AECI Limited - Knersus 200 SL (L10631), vineyards, pome fruit, stone fruit; Sharda International Africa - Glufos 200 SL (L9715), vineyards, orchards; Villa Crop Protection - Bound 200 SL (L9280), vineyards, orchards; Enviro Bio Chem - Blative 200 SL (L11127), vineyards, orchards; Kwelenga SA - Coller 200 SL (L10606), vineyards, orchards.

The CropLife communication indicates "It has become apparent that the derogation process will extend beyond June 2025, which means these product registrations will lapse at the end of June 2025". "Consequently, all trade with implicated remedies must cease until a valid registration certificate is issued by the Registrar's office".

Please direct questions relating to the status of specific products to the relevant registration holders as this information is not available to CropLife SA or Hortgro. Also note, this is the most up to date information available.

Key relevant to the above in Hortgro lists:

	Products reclassified/classification maintained
	Products awaiting confirmation of reclassification OR under derogation. Contact relevant Ag-chem company

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For your information amendments to this version include:

SA/EU/Export default MRL and/or export default withholding period information/ Codex MRL information:

- **Acetamiprid** - Export Default MRL on apricots, peaches & nect., pears, apples and table grapes
- **Bupirimate** - Export Default MRL and Withholding Period on apples & Local SA and Export Default MRL and Local and Export Default Withholding Period on table grapes
- **Cyantraniliprole** - Codex MRL on table grapes
- **Deltamethrin** - Export Default MRL and Withholding Period on plums
- **Emamectin benzoate** - Export Default MRL and Withholding Period on apricots and cherries & (Conflict 19.2 EC - in tank mixture) Local and Export Default Withholding Period on pears and (Conflict Granule - in tank mixture and Conflict 19.2 EC - in tank mixture) on apples
- **Fenbuconazole** - Export Default MRL and Withholding Period on apricots, peaches & nect. and plums
- **Iprodione** - Codex MRL on apricots, peaches & nect., pears, apples and table grapes
- **Methidathion** - Export Default MRL on apricots, peaches & nect., plums, cherries, pears, apples and table grapes
- **Myclobutanil** - Export Default MRL and Withholding Period on apricots & Export Default MRL peaches & nect.
- **Spinosad** - (NEX FLY FRUIT FLY BAIT) Local and Export Default Withholding Period on table grapes
- **Valifenalate** - Export Default MRL on table grapes
- **Pyraclostrobin** - (Constrictor 250 EC) Export Default Withholding Period on table grapes
- **EU MRLs**, take note of proposed Draft EU MRLs (not applied regarding Export default MRLs since they are unpublished), which once published will impact on future EU MRLs.
- **Please note:** Given differences between GB/UK MRL's and EU MRL's, in cases where the GB/UK MRL is lower than the EU/SA MRL, the Export Default MRL is based on the strictest.

Inclusion of newly registered/additional actives:

- **Acequinocyl** (Kanemite 150 SC) on peaches & nect., plums, pears and apples
- **Boscalid** (Basis 500 SC) on apples
- **Dithianon** (Detect 400 SC & Nugget 660 WDG) on cherries
- **L-Phenylalanine Amino Acid** (Naturafend® 550 SP) on table grapes
- **Methylated ester from vegetable oils** (Twister & Prevail EC) on pears and apples
- **Natural pyrethrins** (Laflexa) on apricots, peaches & nect., plums, cherries and table grapes
- **Penconazole** (Avert 200 EW) on apricots, peaches & nect., plums and cherries
- **Reynoutria sachalensis plant extract** (Regalia Maxx) on table grapes
- **S-Abscisic Acid** (ProTone) on pears
- **Spirotetramat** (Luton 240 SC) on apples

Other:

- **Korean MRL** information has been added for table grapes. Refer to MRL documents and to the MRL Special Notes document for further related details

Please review trade names to confirm further verified/ newly registered trade names provided by agro-chemical companies for this version.

As previously indicated, agrochemical labels constitute the legal entity and must always be consulted to confirm registration of products/trade names on relevant deciduous fruit crops, prior to use. It is strongly recommended that producers request product labels as reference to confirm registration of given trade names on relevant deciduous fruit crops, prior to purchase/use of the product.

Regarding MRL information per country:

Amendments to the previous version are not highlighted, however, as previously indicated, the **MRL Notes** column flags actives which have no MRL (indicated as -) or MRL's lower than the export default MRL, based on specific country MRL's or Codex MRL's, in cases where Codex is/may be applied (ie. MRL values in square brackets, under MRL Notes). **It is recommended that these are reviewed in conjunction with MRL information per country, as required.**

Please review information per fruit type, as required, for further details.

Also refer to MRL Special Notes 2025/26 - ALL Fruit Types, under MRL documents, to see explanatory information.

Refer to: <https://www.hortgro.co.za/markets/market-access/>

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