





**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Notifying Member:</b> UNITED STATES OF AMERICA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency
<b>3.</b>	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Rice, bran; Rice, grain
<b>4.</b>	<b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5.</b>	<b>Title of the notified document:</b> Quinclorac; Pesticide Tolerances. Final Rule. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> <a href="https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-07-20/html/2020-14395.htm">https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-07-20/html/2020-14395.htm</a>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Description of content:</b> This regulation amends the tolerance for residues of quinclorac in or on rice, grain.
<b>7.</b>	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8.</b>	<b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text): <input type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number): <input type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b> EPA harmonizes with Codex where possible, but for some of the MRLs (tolerances) in question, the data provided to EPA support a different MRL than Codex. Please refer to the Federal Register Notice for full information regarding which MRLs are harmonized and which are not.

9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> <a href="https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-10-28/html/2019-23355.htm">https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-10-28/html/2019-23355.htm</a> (available in English)
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> 20 July 2020 <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b> 20 July 2020
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 20 July 2020 <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:  Michael L. Goodis, P.E., Director, Registration Division (7505P), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20460-0001; main telephone number: (703) 305-7090; email address: <a href="mailto:RDFRNotices@epa.gov">RDFRNotices@epa.gov</a> .
13.	<b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:  <a href="https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-07-20/html/2020-14395.htm">https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-07-20/html/2020-14395.htm</a>  United States SPS National Notification Authority, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service, International Regulations and Standards Division (IRSD), Stop 1014, Washington D.C. 20250; Tel: +(1 202) 720 1301; Fax: +(1 202) 720 0433; E-mail: <a href="mailto:us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov">us.spsenquiry@fas.usda.gov</a>



**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>CANADA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>				
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA), Health Canada				
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Pesticide triflumezopyrim in or on rice (ICS: 65.020, 65.100, 67.040, 67.060)				
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b>				
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Proposed Maximum Residue Limit: Triflumezopyrim (PMRL2020-13). <b>Language(s):</b> English and French. <b>Number of pages:</b> 5				
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The objective of the notified document PMRL2020-13 is to consult on the listed maximum residue limit (MRL) for triflumezopyrim that has been proposed by Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA). <table><tr><td><u>MRL (ppm)<sup>1</sup></u></td><td><u>Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity</u></td></tr><tr><td>0.2</td><td>Rice</td></tr></table> <sup>1</sup> ppm = parts per million	<u>MRL (ppm)<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Raw Agricultural Commodity (RAC) and/or Processed Commodity</u>	0.2	Rice
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0.2	Rice			
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.				
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> 303 Triflumezopyrim <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>				

9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> Health Canada website: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations.html</a> , PMRL2020-13, posted : 29 July 2020 (available in English and French)
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> Normally within 4 to 5 months from the posting of the Proposed MRL document on the Health Canada web site. <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b>
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): On the date the measure is adopted. <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 12 October 2020 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:
13.	<b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:  The electronic version of the regulatory text can be downloaded at: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residue-limit/2020/triflumezopyrim/document.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/consumer-product-safety/pesticides-pest-management/public/consultations/proposed-maximum-residue-limit/2020/triflumezopyrim/document.html</a> (English) <a href="https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produits-consommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximales-residus-proposees/2020/triflumezopyrim/document.html">https://www.canada.ca/fr/sante-canada/services/securite-produits-consommation/pesticides-lutte-antiparasitaire/public/consultations/limites-maximales-residus-proposees/2020/triflumezopyrim/document.html</a> (French)  Canada's Notification Authority and Enquiry Point Technical Barriers and Regulations Division Global Affairs Canada 111 Sussex Drive Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0G2 Tel: +(343) 203 4273 Fax: +(613) 943 0346 E-mail: <a href="mailto:enquirypoint@international.gc.ca">enquirypoint@international.gc.ca</a>



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Original: English

**NOTIFICATION OF EMERGENCY MEASURES**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> AUSTRALIA <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> The following goods (in various raw and processed forms): <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Rice (<i>Oryza sativa</i>) [Tariff 1209, 1006]</li><li>- Chickpeas (<i>Cicer arietinum</i>) [Tariff 1209, 07131106]</li><li>- Cucurbit seed (<i>Cucurbita spp.</i>) [Tariff 1209, 1207]</li><li>- Cumin seed (<i>Cuminum cyminum</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0909]</li><li>- Safflower seed (<i>Carthamus tinctorius</i>) [Tariff 1209, 1207]</li><li>- Bean seed (<i>Phaseolus</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Soybean (<i>Glycine max</i>) [Tariff 1209, 1201]</li><li>- Mung beans, cowpeas (<i>Vigna</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Lentils (<i>Lens culinaris</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Wheat (<i>Triticum aestivum</i>) [Tariff 1209, 1001, 1104, 1103, 1101]</li><li>- Coriander seed (<i>Coriandrum sativum</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0909]</li><li>- Celery seed (<i>Apium graveolens</i>) [Tariff 1209]</li><li>- Peanuts (<i>Arachis hypogaea</i>) [Tariff 1209, 1202, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Dried peppers (<i>Capsicum spp</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0904]</li><li>- Faba bean (<i>Vicia faba</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Pigeon Pea (<i>Cajanus cajan</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Peas (<i>Pisum sativum</i>) [Tariff 1209, 0713, 1106]</li><li>- Fennel seed (<i>Foeniculum spp</i>). [Tariff 1209, 0909]</li></ul> <p>The following exclusions apply: retorted goods that are commercially manufactured and packaged, commercial manufactured frozen food and frozen plant products, or as fresh vegetables.</p>
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> Notification of emergency measures for Khapra beetle. <b>Language(s):</b> English. <b>Number of pages:</b> 2



**6. Description of content:** Notification to trading partners, that within the next two months Australia proposes to implement emergency measures to high risk plant products that are hosts of khapra beetle (*Trogoderma granarium*) to safeguard Australia against the entry, establishment and spread of this pest.

The emergency measures for high risk plant products will be implemented in a number of phases and include (but are not limited to):

Prohibiting high risk plant products, from being brought in through non-commercial pathways i.e. luggage, mail and unaccompanied personal effects from all countries  
Introducing mandatory offshore treatment of high risk plant products from countries determined to pose an unacceptable khapra beetle risk. III. Extending phytosanitary certification to all high risk plant products verifying freedom from species of *Trogoderma*.

Prohibiting high risk plant products from being brought in through the unaccompanied personal effects pathway (phase 1) is expected to be implemented in August 2020. Addendums to this SPS notification will be published to notify the implementation date for phase 1; and to notify the measures and implementation dates for subsequent phases. Specific details regarding the measures will be outlined in the Biosecurity Import Conditions system (BICON) on the Australia's Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment website prior to the implementation date.

Additional measures for lower risk plant products are also being considered and may include extending phytosanitary certification to include verification of freedom from species of *Trogoderma*. Additional measures to manage the hitchhiking risk of khapra beetle in containers are being considered which may include treatments of containers prior to loading of goods; and treatment of empty containers.

To assist with the implementation, Australia is requesting countries for relevant information consistent with ISPM 8 on the status of *T. granarium* in their territories. This notification provides an opportunity for Australia's trading partners to provide any information on the status of *T. granarium* in their countries, and to identify evidence to support their response.

**7. Objective and rationale:**  food safety,  animal health,  plant protection,  protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease,  protect territory from other damage from pests.

**8. Nature of the urgent problem(s) and reason for urgent action:** Khapra beetle, *Trogoderma granarium* (Everts 1898) [Coleoptera: Dermestidae], is a quarantine pest for Australia and quarantine procedures are in place to prevent its introduction.

The number of interceptions of Khapra beetle in goods and containers has increased in recent years worldwide especially from countries where established populations of Khapra beetle exist. Khapra beetle is also being intercepted in goods from countries where the beetle is not known to occur. These detections are significant and are indicative of a changing pathway risk profile.

<p><b>9. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM number):</b> ISPM 1 and ISPM 8</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b></p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b></p>
<p><b>10. Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b></p>
<p><b>11. Date of entry into force (dd/mm/yy)/period of application (as applicable):</b> Phase 1 is expected to enter into force in the latter half of August 2020. Specific date will be notified through an addendum to this SPS notification.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Trade facilitating measure</b></p>
<p><b>12. Agency or authority designated to handle comments: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>The Australian SPS Notification Authority  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601; Australia  E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au">sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au</a></p>
<p><b>13. Text(s) available from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p>The Australian SPS Notification Authority  GPO Box 858  Canberra ACT 2601; Australia  E-mail: <a href="mailto:sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au">sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au</a></p>





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**NOTIFICATION**

<b>1. Notifying Member:</b> <u>ARGENTINA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
<b>2. Agency responsible:</b> <i>Subgrupo de Trabajo No. 3 "Reglamento Técnico y Evaluación de la Conformidad" - MERCOSUR</i> (Working Subgroup No. 3: "Technical regulation and conformity assessment" - MERCOSUR)
<b>3. Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Rice and rice products other than oil
<b>4. Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All trading partners <input type="checkbox"/> Specific regions or countries:
<b>5. Title of the notified document:</b> <i>Límites Máximos de Contaminantes Inorgánicos en Alimentos</i> (Maximum levels of inorganic contaminants in food) <b>Language(s):</b> Spanish <b>Number of pages:</b> 2 <a href="https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/ARG/20_4746_00_s.pdf">https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2020/SPS/ARG/20_4746_00_s.pdf</a>
<b>6. Description of content:</b> The notified text updates the limit for arsenic in rice laid down in GMC Resolution No. 12/11, in order to bring it into line with levels for inorganic arsenic established in the Codex Alimentarius.
<b>7. Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
<b>8. Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Codex Alimentarius Commission (e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text):</b> CODEX STAN 193-1995 (most recent version) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) (e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>International Plant Protection Convention (e.g. ISPM No.):</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>None</b> <b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <b>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</b>

9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> GMC Resolution No. 12/11 "Reglamento Técnico Mercosur sobre Límites Máximos de Contaminantes Inorgánicos en Alimentos"
10.	<b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> <b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b>
11.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): <input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure
12.	<b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 5 October 2020 <b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:  <i>Punto Focal SPS Argentina (SPS Focal Point of Argentina)</i> <i>Ministerio de Agricultura, Ganadería y Pesca (Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries)</i> Av. Paseo Colón 982. Oficina 203 - CP: C1107ADQ Ciudad de Buenos Aires - Argentina Tel.: (+5411) 4363 6289 Email: <a href="mailto:sps-argentina@magyp.gob.ar">sps-argentina@magyp.gob.ar</a> Website: <a href="http://www.agroindustria.gob.ar">www.agroindustria.gob.ar</a>
13.	<b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and email address (if available) of other body:  <i>Punto Focal SPS Argentina</i> <i>Ministerio de Agricultura, Ganadería y Pesca</i> Av. Paseo Colón 982. Oficina 203 - CP: C1107ADQ Ciudad de Buenos Aires - Argentina Tel.: (+5411) 4363 6289 Email: <a href="mailto:sps-argentina@magyp.gob.ar">sps-argentina@magyp.gob.ar</a> Website: <a href="http://www.agroindustria.gob.ar">www.agroindustria.gob.ar</a>