

# Member Update

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*TOPIC: Important Notice of Immediate Changes for Canola Treated with the Herbicide Haloxyfop*

*DISTRIBUTION: GTA Members – primary contact list. Please circulate to all appropriate internal parties.*

## 1. Purpose

To advise GTA members of the important update to delivery/receival and market access for Canola treated with the herbicide Haloxyfop.

## 2. Background

The European Union (EU) has announced it intends to reduce the maximum residue limit (MRL) for the herbicide haloxyfop.

To meet this changing MRL, 2023/24 canola treated with herbicides that contain Haloxyfop **should not be delivered or received into the Australian grain handling system** for canola segregations (grades) destined for export. This change is necessary as, if delivered, it will jeopardise market access to the EU for Australian canola.

This applies to canola received in the 2023/24 season.

## 3. Key points:

1. Growers are advised to not use haloxyfop on canola from the 2023/24 season for export.
2. The EU has indicated it will reduce its MRL for haloxyfop on canola from 0.2mg/kg to 0.005mg/kg. While no specific timeframe can be provided, the Australian industry expects this change to be announced in 2023.
3. Applying haloxyfop to canola according to current Australian label directions would create residues above the expected new EU MRL.
4. If haloxyfop is used, the post-harvest supply chain cannot mitigate the risk of any residues arising being present on canola above the expected new EU MRL. That is why growers and others are being advised that canola from the 2023/24 season treated with haloxyfop should not be delivered or received into the canola export segregations in the Australian grain handling system.
5. This decision is only for the use of haloxyfop on canola and applies to both GM and non-GM canola for export.
6. Consideration will need to be made for any canola treated with haloxyfop from the 2022/23 or prior season that is already held in storage.

An [Information Sheet](#) has been prepared to provide the background on the EU's decision and to be proactive and help inform growers, agronomists and industry about these important changes.

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