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Title: **Amendments to Australian Grain Industry Post Harvest Chemical Usage Recommendations and Outturn Tolerances 2013/14**

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1 Background

The Chemical Usage Recommendations and Outturn Tolerances document should be referred to when marketing Australian grain to assist industry in adhering to the Maximum Residual Limits (MRL).

The Australian Grain Industry Post Harvest Chemical Usage Recommendations and Outturn Tolerance document is referred to in a number of GTA publications.

Members are advised this is the latest version and supersedes all prior versions. It is now available on the GTA website <http://www.graintrade.org.au/nwpgp>.

2 Amendments required

The following changes have been made based on recent updates to chemical regulations:

- For various commodities, in addition to a Bulk Handler permitted to use Spinosad, on-farm use is now allowed under permit.
- The prior unofficial advice for Indonesia that “Where an Indonesian MRL is 'not set' the Codex MRL will apply and in the event that there is no Codex MRL the Australian MRL will apply” has been deleted as this is no longer the case.
- While wheat exported to Japan was previously PRF and exporters are strongly recommended to continue this practice, a reference has been included of “Industry should note that where no MRL is in place, a default limit MRL of 0.01 mg/kg will apply”.
- For South Korea, the previous reference to “Korea has advised that it will accept Codex MRLs where there is no Korean MRL for that chemical/commodity combination” has been deleted. The following has been included “Korea has advised it will accept Codex specific commodity MRLs if there is no relevant Korean MRL. Korea does not accept Codex crop group MRLs”. Industry should note this is currently under review as Korea develops a positive list.
- For South Korea, a default limit for piperonyl butoxide (under Other Agricultural Products) for all cereal grains has been added.
- An Australian pulse MRL has been added for piperonyl butoxide.