General overview of application procedure for Maximum Residue Levels for pesticides

Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 on Maximum Residue Levels (MRLs) for pesticides describe the procedure for applications for MRLs (Article 6). Further guidance of the procedure is given in EC technical guidance SANTE/2015/10595 Rev. 6.1

Legend:
- Applicant
- Evaluating Member State (EMS)
- EFSA
- European Commission (EC)

Pre-submission phase

Potential applicant requests general pre-submission advice (optional)

Potential applicant notifies studies commissioned or carried out as of 27 March 2021

Applicant submits IUCLID dossier

EMS performs admissibility check and verifies notified studies

EMS declares admissibility

EMS publishes non-confidential IUCLID dossier and launches public consultation

Submission phase and completeness check

EMS evaluates new data and submits updated ER

Application submits updated IUCLID dossier

YES

EMS drafting Evaluation Report (ER)

EMS submits Evaluation Report to EFSA and informs EC

EC sends Mandate to EFSA to assess MRLs and to deliver reasoned opinion

EFSA assess (updated) MRLs application

Confidentiality decision-making and proactive disclosure

Risk assessment phase

YES

EFSA adopts reasoned opinion

EFSA publishes reasoned opinion on EFSA Journal

Standing Committee on Plants, Animals, Food and Feed opinion and scrutiny period

Post-adoption phase