

**STATEMENT OF COMPATIBILITY FOR A LEGISLATIVE INSTRUMENT
THAT DOES NOT RAISE ANY HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES**

Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights

Prepared in accordance with Part 3 of the Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011

Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code — Standard 1.4.2 —

Maximum Residue Limits Amendment Instrument No. APVMA 6, 2011

This Legislative Instrument made by the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) is compatible with the human rights and freedoms recognised or declared in the international instruments listed in section 3 of the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*.

Requirement for a Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights

This Legislative Instrument made by the APVMA is not a disallowable instrument pursuant to section 82(2) of the *Food Standards Australia New Zealand Act 1991* and therefore the Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights is not strictly required. Nonetheless, to accord with the spirit of the *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011*, the APVMA provides this Statement of Compatibility.

Overview of the Legislative Instrument

This Legislative Instrument makes variations to Standard 1.4.2 — Maximum Residue Limits of the *Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code* to include or change maximum residue limits (MRLs) pertaining to agricultural and veterinary chemical products. The variations made to Standard 1.4.2 in this Amendment Instrument put into the Food Standards Code MRLs previously approved by the APVMA as part of the registration of the relevant chemical products. The variations have the effect of allowing the sale of food containing residues within the approved maximum limits but do not present any public health or safety concerns. The variations also do not affect the rights or freedoms of any humans.

Human rights implications

This Legislative Instrument does not engage any of the applicable rights or freedoms.

Conclusion

This Legislative Instrument is compatible with human rights as it does not raise any human rights issues.

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