

Reminder concerning the new PRP-Upper limits for endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs), starting October 1st 2016

Vienna, 2nd September 2016

Dear Madam or Sir,

last October we have sent a letter regarding endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDC), with background information on these substances and our scheme for the graduated reduction of residues from endocrine disrupting pesticides in the context of the PesticideReductionProgramm (PRP).

With the present communication we want to remind you that starting October 1st 2016, the first step of the graduated reduction scheme is entering into force (stage 1). This means that by this date, the PRP-Upper limits are being halved and the new values will be the basis for the assessment of our samples.

Attached you can find the updated list of all PRP-Upper limits, effective from October 1st 2016. The PRP-Upper limits for EDC-substances are marked in red.

PRP graduated scheme for EDCs:

Stage 0	Information stage: information upon detection of EDC (1 year) *
Stage 1	Halving of PRP-upper limit of all EDC-substances (1st Oct. 2016)
Stage 2	Zero residue of top 10 prioritized EDC-substances (3 years)
Stage 3	Zero residue of all EDC-substances (10 years)

*using the usual sampling report

Attached further you can find our updated PRP-procedure for exceedances, with the following modification (valid from October 1st 2016):

The status of observation after the second exceeding of the PRP/SOE-Upper limit (= confirmed exceedance) has changed: the product is placed in the so called "watch list" now for only three samples instead of five samples. This means, if three samples after a confirmed exceedance are not exceeding the PRP/SOE-Upper limit, the "watch list" is finished and the product starts again with the PRP-procedure.

The PRP-Team of GLOBAL2000 remains at your disposal for further queries under proben@lobal2000.at.

Best regards
the PRP-team