

# Spinach/Silverbeet Agrichemical Regulatory Risk Assessment

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Regulatory pressures on agrichemicals are increasing globally, with many being either restricted or withdrawn from use. For older agrichemicals these pressures are often the result of reconsiderations involving new or refined risk assessment methodologies that requiring the generation of new data. A consequence of which can be that many of these agrichemicals are not meeting contemporary risk assessment standards as the necessary data is unavailable, or where data is available, the risk posed is considered unacceptable.

The use of agrichemicals can also be impacted through differences in standards between trading partners. The lack of an appropriate pesticide maximum residue limit (MRL) in an importing country can, for practical purposes, effectively prohibit use in the exporting country so as to ensure compliance, as a MRL breach would adversely affect market access.

The effects of the above are greater regulatory pressure placed on the use of individual agrichemicals or chemical groups. As a consequence, it is possible that the number of approved agrichemical options could be adversely impacted.

To assist strategic planning, with respect to future pest management options, the following tables have been developed to highlight the regulatory threats to agrichemicals currently approved for the management of the pests and diseases in spinach and silverbeet as well as current initiatives aimed at addressing identified pest management deficiencies

R1	Short-term: Critical concern over retaining access
R2	Medium-term: Maintaining access of significant concern
R3	Long-term: Potential issues associated with use - Monitoring required

Active Constituents	Chemical Group	Problem	Comments		
	INSECT AND OTHER PESTS				
Abamectin	6	Western flower thrips Vegetable leafminer(PER81876)	APVMA: Nominated for spray drift label review Canada: Some uses amended, others cancelled EU: Use restricted to permanent greenhouses		
Afidopyropen	9D	Cabbage aphid Cotton aphid Currant lettuce aphid Green peach aphid Silverleaf (Poinsettia) whitefly	EU: No authorisation		
Alpha-cypermethrin	3A	Plague thrips Redlegged earth mite Vegetable weevil	EU: No authorisations  UK: No authorisation		
Bacillus thuringiensis	11A	Helicoverpa	EU: Renewal under review		
Chlorantraniliprole	28	Helicoverpa Lucerne leafroller Cluster caterpillar Looper caterpillars Cabbage leafminer(PER87631			
Chlorantraniliprole +thiamethoxam	28 + 4A	Brown sowthistle aphid Currant lettuce aphid Green peach aphid Vegetable leafhopper Western flower thrips Vegetable leafminer(PER91161)	Thiamethoxam  APVMA: Under review  Canada: Some field uses cancelled or amended  EU: Not authorised  USA: Re-registration with new risk mitigation measures		

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Chlorpyrifos	1B	African black beetle	APVMA: Under review.
		Field & Mole crickets	Codex: All MRLs revoked
		False wireworm(PER14583)	Canada: Cancellation of all uses.  EU: No authorisation in place
		Wireworm (PER14583)	USA: EPA decision to cancel use on food crops
		Blue oat mite(Silverbeet)	oski. Er ki decision to cancer ase on rood crops
		Redlegged earth mite(Silverbeet)	
Diazinon	1B	Webworms	APVMA: Under review
			EU: No authorisation in place
			Codex: Withdrawal of Codex MRLs recommended
Dimpropyridaz	36	Cabbage aphid	Codex: Evaluation for MRLs scheduled for 2025
		Green peach aphid	EU: Authorisation pending
Emamectin benzoate	6	Cabbage white butterfly	EU: Candidate for substitution
		Cluster caterpillar	
		Diamondback (Cabbage) moth	
		Helicoverpa	
		Looper caterpillars	
Flubendiamide	28	Helicoverpa	
Helicoverpa NPV	31	Helicoverpa	
Imidacloprid	4A	Aphids(PER10918)	APVMA: Under review
		Greenhouse whitefly (PER10918)	Canada: Field uses cancelled or amended
			EU: No authorisation in place expiry of the grace periods (June 2022),
			USA: Re-registration with new risk mitigation measures
Indoxacarb	22A	Helicoverpa	Canada: No authorisations
			EU: No authorisation.
			UK: Proposed non-renewal
Methomyl	1A	Cucumber moth(PER82428)	APVMA: nominated for review
		Looper caterpillars(PER82428)	Canada: Re-evaluation completed. Majority of uses removed
		Rutherglen bug(PER82428)	EU: No authorisations in place USA: Under review
		Thrips(PER82428)	OSA. Officer Teview
		Webworms(PER82428)	
		Western flower thrips(PER82428)	
		Helicoverpa (PER82428: Silverbeet)	

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Paraffinic oil/petroleum	UNM	Aphids	
oil	O. C.	Leafhoppers	
		Mites	
		Thrips	
		Green mirids	
		Green vegetable bug	
		Grey cluster bug	
		Rutherglen bug	
Pirimicarb	1A	Aphids	Codex: JMPR re-evaluation scheduled EU: Candidate for substitution
Pymetrozine	9B	Cotton aphid	Canada: Restricted use to glasshouses only
		Green peach aphid: continued	Codex: No registrant support
		Potato aphid	EU: Not authorised
Pyrethrins	3A	Ants	Canada: Under review
		Caterpillars	Codex: Under review
		Diamondback (Cabbage) moth	
		Earwig	
		Flies	
		Leafhoppers	
		Rutherglen bug	
		Thrips	
		Two-spotted (Red spider) mite	
		Whitefly	
Spinetoram	5	Cabbage white butterfly	
		Caterpillars	
		Helicoverpa	
		Looper caterpillars	
		Western flower thrips	
		Vegetable leafminer (PER91155)	

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	Group		
Spinosad	5	Helicoverpa	
		Looper caterpillars	
		Western flower thrips	
		Fall armyworm (PER89870)	
		Vegetable leafminer (PER90928)	
Spirotetramat	23	Green peach aphid: continued	
Spodoptera NPV	31	Fall armyworm(PER90820)	
Sulfoxaflor	4C	Brown sowthistle aphid	USA: Pollinator concerns
		Green peach aphid: continued	EU: Restricted to permanent glasshouses only
		Greenhouse whitefly	

<b>Active Constituents</b>	Chemical	Problem	Comments		
	Group				
	DISEASES				
Ametoctradin +	45 + 40	Downy mildew	<u>Dimethomorph</u>		
dimethomorph			EU: Under review		
Azoxystrobin +	11 + 49	Alternaria leaf spots	<u>Azoxystrobin</u>		
oxathiapiprolin		Downy mildew	Canada: Review proposed		
		Sclerotinia rot			
Boscalid	7	Sclerotinia rot	Canada: Under review		
Chlorothalonil	M5	Alternaria leaf spots(PER82895)	APVMA: nominated for review		
		Botrytis grey mould(PER82895)	Canada: Cancellation of uses proposed		
		Downy mildew(PER82895)	EU: No authorisation in place		
			USA: Under review		
Copper	M1	Downy mildew	EU: Candidates for substitution		
		Leaf diseases/spot			
		Powdery mildew			
		Rust			
		Target spot (Early blight)			
Cyazofamid	21	Damping off: Pythium	Canada: Under review		
Cyprodinil +fludioxonil	12 + 9	Sclerotinia rot	Cyprodinil		
			Canada: Under review		
			EU: Candidate for substitution		
			<u>Fludioxonil</u>		
			EU: Under review, & candidate for substitution		
Difenoconazole	3	Powdery mildew(PER87973)	APVMA: nominated for review		
			EU: Candidate for substitution		
			USA: Under review		
Dimethomorph	40 + M3	Downy mildew (PER14958)	<u>Dimethomorph</u>		
+mancozeb			EU: Under review		
			Mancozeb		
			APVMA: nominated for review		
			Canada: Many uses cancelled		
			Codex: To be reviewed 2024/25		
			EU: Authorisation not renewed		

Active Constituents	Chemical Group	Problem	Comments
Fludioxonil +metalaxyl-M	12 + 4	Damping off: Rhizoctonia/Phytophthora	Fludioxonil EU: Under review, & candidate for substitution  Metalaxyl-M EU: Restricted use approval
Fluopicolide +propamocarb HCl	28 + 43	Downy mildew	Fluopicolide: EU: Candidate for substitution
Iprodione	2	Fungal diseases: Sclerotinia  Botrytis grey mould(PER84955)	Canada: Majority of food crop uses deleted Codex: Under review EU: No authorisation in place USA: Proposed deletion or restriction of uses
Mancozeb	M3	Cercospora leaf spot  Downy mildew  Leaf diseases/spot  Powdery mildew  Rust	APVMA: nominated for review Canada: Many uses cancelled Codex: To be reviewed 2024/25 EU: Authorisation not renewed
Mandipropamid	40	Downy mildew	
Metalaxyl-M	4	Downy mildew(PER13673)	EU: Restricted use approval
Oxathiapiprolin	49	Downy mildew	
Penthiopyrad	7	Botrytis grey mould Powdery mildew Sclerotinia rot	
Phosphorous acid	33	Downy mildew(PER11951)	
Potassium bicarb	M2	Powdery mildew(PER13695: Silverbeet)	
Propiconazole	3	Cercospora leaf spot(PER14479) Powdery mildew(PER14479) Rust(PER14479)	APVMA: nominated for review  EU: No authorisations  USA: Under review

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- 1151	Group		
Pydiflumetofen +	7 + 12	Botrytis	<u>Fludioxonil</u>
fludioxonil		Sclerotinia	EU: Under review, & candidate for substitution
			Pydiflumetofen:
			EU: Authorisation pending
Quinoxyfen	13	Powdery mildew (silverbeet)	EU: No authorisations
Sulfur	M2	Downy mildew	
		Leaf diseases/spot	
		Rust	
		Powdery mildew	
Tebuconazole	3	Sclerotinia rot	APVMA: nominated for review
			Canada: Under review
			EU: Candidate for substitution
			USA: Under review
Trifloxystrobin	11	Powdery mildew(PER14494)	Canada: Under review
Zineb	M3	Anthracnose (PER14839)	APVMA: nominated for review
		Leaf diseases/spot(PER14839)	Codex: To be reviewed 2024/25
			EU: No authorisation in place

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	Group	
		WEEDS
Chloridazon (PER92508)	5	EU: No authorisation in place
Clethodim (PER82459)	1	Codex: MRLs proposed for deletion
Ethofumesate (PER14703)	15	
Fluazifop-P	1	
Haloxyfop-P (Spinach)	1	EU: Not authorised
Metolachlor /	15	Metolachlor:
S-metolachlor		EU: No authorisation
		<u>S-metolachlor</u> :
		EU: Proposed non-renewal of authorisation
Phenmedipham	5	EU: Review outcome not positive
(PER81241)		
Propachlor (PER12008)	15	EU: No authorisation in place

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