

Latest updates on regulatory requirement w.r.t. EIC, APEDA & FSSAI

A. Following changes are made by European commission on the testing requirements, so, all products to be exported to EU should comply with the requirements said below:

1. As per commission regulation 2019/1971/EC, the reference point for action (RPA) to be considered for non-allowed the pharmacologically active substance i.e CAP, AOZ, AMOZ, AHD, SEM, DNSH, Malachite and Leucomalachite green and This is in force from 28-11-2022.
2. The laboratories involved in pre-export testing, surveillance and monitoring with reference points for action on food of animal origin imported from third world countries, may please note that DNSH, a new metabolite of Nitrofurantoin metabolites should be in the scope of laboratory.
3. After 10.06.2021, any method validated by laboratories for antibiotic residues shall be as per 808/2021/CIR.
4. European commission lays down limits of ascorbic acid in fish as per 2022/1923/EC and that is effective from 23-10-2022.
5. European commission lays down limits for the maximum level of dioxins and dioxin-like PCBs in certain foods as 2022/2002/EC.
6. European commission has published number of amendments in EU 396/2005 on maximum residue levels of pesticides in food and feed of plant & animal origin. The last amendment was published on 19.09.2022. .
7. Regulation EU 2021/476 is an amendment of annexure II, III, and IV to regulation EU 396/2005; and indicates a change in Maximum Residue Levels (MRL) for *acetic acid, azoxystrobin, benzovindiflupyr, cyantraniliprole, cyflufenamid, emamectin, flutolanil, California porridge, maltodextrin & proquinazid* in or on various products. This regulation came into effect on April 14, 2022.
8. Regulation EU 2022/566 is an amendment of the Annex II of Regulation EU 396/2005, and indicates a change in maximum residue levels (MRL) for *flutolanil* in or on various products. This regulation came into effect on April 28, 2022.
9. Regulation EU 2022/85 is an amendment of Regulation EU 1881/2006 and indicates a change in maximum residue levels (MRL) for mercury in fish and salt. This regulation came into effect on May 3, 2022.

B. This is to inform to the laboratories that following Method of Analysis published by FSSAI on the testing requirements, so, laboratories applying for FSSAI recognition should follow below said test methods.

1. The method of analysis for *Folic acid, Iron, and Vitamin B12* in fortified Rice published by FSSAI on 08.09.2022.
Determination of Iron in Fortified Rice (FSSAI. FR.16.001.2022)
Determination of Folic acid (B9) in Fortified Rice (FSSAI. FR.16.002.2022)
Determination of Cyanocobalamin (B12) (FSSAI.FR.16.003.2022)
2. FSSAI has revised the Manual of methods for the analysis of Dairy and Dairy products on 07.10.2022.