

# OCHRATOXIN A

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## SUGGESTED POSSIBLE NEW AND REVISED MAXIMUM LEVELS FOR OCHRATOXIN A (OTA)

### AS DISCUSSED IN THE WORKING GROUP “AGRICULTURAL CONTAMINANTS” IN VIEW OF THIS TARGETED STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

Foodstuffs	Maximum level for further consideration (µg/kg)
<i>Current entry “2.2.2. All products, derived from unprocessed cereals, including processed cereal products and cereals intended for direct human consumption with the exception of foodstuffs listed in 2.2.9., 2.2.10 and 2.2.13” to be replaced by</i>	
2.2.2.a : All products, derived from unprocessed cereals, including processed cereal products and cereals intended for direct human consumption with the exception of foodstuffs listed in 2.2.9., 2.2.10, 2.2.13, 2.2.2.b	3.0
2.2.2.b : bread (including small bakery wares), pastries, biscuits, cereal snacks and breakfast cereals	1.5
2.2.2.c: malt drink	3.0
<i>Current entry “2.2.3 Dried vine fruit (currants, raisins and sultanas)” to be replaced by :</i>	
Dried vine fruit (currants, raisins and sultanas) and dried figs	8.0
Other dried fruit	2.0
<i>Current entry “2.2.4. Roasted coffee beans and ground roasted coffee, excluding soluble coffee” to be replaced by</i>	
Roasted coffee beans and ground roasted coffee, excluding soluble coffee	3.0
<i>Current entry “2.2.5. Soluble coffee (instant coffee)” to be replaced by</i>	
Soluble coffee (instant coffee)	5.0

Foodstuffs	Maximum level for further consideration (µg/kg)
Current entry "2.2.11 Spices, including dried spices" to be replaced by	
All spices including dried spices except <i>Capsicum spp.</i>	15
<i>Capsicum spp.</i> (dried fruits thereof, whole or ground, including chillies, chilli powder, cayenne or paprika)	20
Mixtures of spices	15
New entries under 2.2.12 Liquorice	
2.2.12.3 Liquorice root placed on the market for the final consumer	10
2.2.12.4. Liquorice candies	10
New entry	
Dried Herbs , tea and herbal infusions	10.0
New entry	
Sunflower seeds, pumpkin seeds, melon seeds hempseeds, soybeans and processed products thereof	5.0
New entry	
Pistachios	5.0
New entry	
Cocoa powder sold to the final consumer or as an ingredient in sweetened cocoa powder sold to the final consumer (drinking chocolate)	2.0

In addition a monitoring on the presence of ochratoxin A in cheese and ham will be set up.