

# **THE GLOBAL MARKET FOR** **CITRUS: ISSUES AND** **PROSPECTS**

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Clear regional divide depending on the geographical proximity of markets.

- China mainly exports to Russia and South-East Asia.
- The United States exports to Japan, Canada and South Korea. Over 75% of its exports go to these markets.
- Spain exports over 90% of its citrus fruits to the EU.
- South Africa mainly exports during the summer months in the northern hemisphere, primarily to the EU, Russia and the United Arab Emirates.

Different countries are adopting different approaches to protect their markets.

These measures can be grouped into four main sections:

- Phytosanitary factors
- Food safety. MRLs
- Qualitative conditions of products.  
Marketing standards
- Environmental aspects

## ANNEX 1

### Comparative table of the MRLs for certain products used for treatments in the field and post-harvesting in the citrus fruit sector.

Active Substance	Product	Russia MRLs (ppm)	EU MRLs (ppm)	CODEX MRLs (ppm)
Abamectin	Oranges + Mandarins	0,003	0,01	0,01
Acetamiprid	Oranges + Mandarins	0,03	1	NA
Chlorpiriphos	Oranges / Mandarins	0,005	0,3 / 2	1
Imazalil	Oranges + Mandarins	0,1	5	5
Imidacloprid	Oranges + Mandarins	0,1	NA	1
Lambda-Cyhalothrin	Oranges / Mandarins	0,03	0,1 / 0,2	NA
Mancozeb	Oranges /+Mandarins	0,1	5	NA
Methalaxyl	Oranges + Mandarins	0,03	0,5	5
Pirimithos-Methyl	Oranges / Mandarins	0,1	1 / 2	NA
Copper Oxychloride	Oranges +Mandarins	5	20	NA
Procloraz	Oranges + Mandarins	0,05	10	10
Tyabendazol	Oranges + Mandarins	1	5	10

Post-harvest

Treatments in orchards with fungicides

Treatments in orchards fruit flies..

## Summary of the products of reference used by Russia to establish the MRLs for citrus fruits

Active Substance	Product of reference used to establish the MRLs for citrus in Russia
Abamectin	Fruits, grapes
Acetamiprid	Tomatoes
Chlorpiriphos	Apples
Imazalil	Cereals
Imidacloprid	Tomatoes, cucumbers
Lambda-Cyhalothrin	Apples
Mancozeb	Grapes
Methalaxyl	Grapes
Pirimithos-Methyl	Citrus fruit pulp
Copper Oxychloride	Grapes
Prochloraz	Cereals
Tyabendazol	Potatoes

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- greater co-responsibility in the requirements for exports/imports,
- harmonization of the accepted maximum residue levels
- Harmonization of the standards for marketing the fruit
- better balance between production costs in the different geographical regions.

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