

# WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

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Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures

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## NOTIFICATION

1.	<b>Member to Agreement notifying:</b> <u>UNITED STATES</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b>
2.	<b>Agency responsible:</b> Environmental Protection Agency - EPA
3.	<b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable).</b> <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> Pesticides
4.	<b>Title and number of pages of the notified document:</b> Diazinon, Parathion, O,O-Diethyl S-[2-(ethylthio)ethyl] phosphorodithioate (Disulfoton), Ethoprop, and Carbaryl; Tolerance Revocations (6 pages)
5.	<b>Description of content:</b> This Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) final rule revokes specific tolerances listed in the regulatory text for the insecticides diazinon, parathion, O,O-Diethyl S-[2- (ethylthio)ethyl] phosphorodithioate (disulfoton), ethoprop, and carbaryl. The regulatory actions in this rule are part of the Agency's reregistration programme under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA), and the tolerance reassessment requirements of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA). By law, EPA is required to reassess 66 per cent of the tolerances in existence on 2 August 1996, by August 2002, or about 6,400 tolerances. This document counts 24 tolerance reassessments made toward the August 2002 review deadline of FFDCA section 408(q), as amended by the Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA) of 1996.
6.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests
7.	<b>An international standard, guideline or recommendation does not exist</b> <input type="checkbox"/> . <b>If an international standard, guideline or recommendation exists, give the appropriate reference and briefly identify deviations:</b> Differences exist between some of the actions the United States is taking and the current status of some tolerances in the Codex.
8.	<b>Relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b> 66 FR 38950, 26 July 2001 (Available in English)
9.	<b>Proposed date of adoption:</b> This regulation is effective 24 October 2001.
10.	<b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> This regulation is effective 24 October 2001.

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| <b>11.</b> | <p><b>Final date for comments:</b> Objections and requests for hearings must be received by EPA on or before 24 September 2001.</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> [    ] <b>National notification authority,</b><br/>[    ] <b>National enquiry point, or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b> The full text of this final rule, which includes instructions for submitting objections and request for hearing will be sent upon request to the address in paragraph 12.</p> |
| <b>12.</b> | <p><b>Texts available from:</b> [ X ] <b>National notification authority,</b> [ X ] <b>National enquiry point or address, fax number and E-mail address (if available) of other body:</b></p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">United States SPS Enquiry Point/Notification Authority<br/>Attn: Carolyn F. Wilson<br/>Room 5545 South Agriculture Building<br/>Stop 1027<br/>1400 Independence Avenue, S.W.<br/>Washington, D.C.20250<br/>Tel: (202) 720-2239<br/>Fax: (202) 690-0677<br/>E-mail: ofsts@fas.usda.gov</p>                           |