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### **Canada Releases Final Regulatory Decision on Three Fungicides**

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**Report Highlights:**

Health Canada will cancel registration for two fungicides, Ferbam and Ziram, following re-evaluation of these products. A third fungicide, Thiram, will retain registration but maximum residue limits for all three products will be revoked. Once the three-year phase-out process is completed in December 2021, all maximum residue limits will default to 0.1ppm.

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In December 2018, Health Canada's Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) released its final re-evaluation decision for the fungicides: [Ferbam](#), [Thiram](#), and [Ziram](#). PMRA concluded that evaluated risks were unacceptable for Ferbam and Ziram and will therefore cancel registration of these two products in Canada. This will result in the revocation of all maximum residue limits (MRLs) for Ferbam and Ziram in Canada on all commodities. The MRL will default to 0.1ppm under Canada's general MRL system. The phase-out timeline for these two products is 3-years from December 14, 2018 with revocation of MRLs scheduled for December 14, 2021. PMRA will consult and allow comments on MRLs for Ferbam and Ziram at a later date.

For Thiram, PMRA determined that product registration will continue but with label amendments and with certain uses cancelled:

- All foliar uses on apple, peach, plum, strawberry, celery, and sweet potato (sprout root dip) will be cancelled.
- All seed treatments of grasses, dry onion bulb, and alfalfa grown for forage will be cancelled.
- All commercial seed treatment of wheat, barley, oats, canola, mustard, rapeseed, rye, triticale, and corn will be cancelled.
- Importation into Canada of seeds treated with Thiram will no longer be permitted.

Additionally, as retained uses are primarily related ornamentals, PMRA will revoke all MRLs for Thiram. The MRL will default to 0.1ppm under Canada's general MRL system. December 14, 2021 is the scheduled date for these cancellations and revocations to be in effect. PMRA will also consult and allow comments on MRLs for Thiram at a later date.

All active MRLs for Canada can be found in Health Canada's Maximum Residue Limits for Pesticides [Database](#).