BHUTAN MANDATORY STANDARD FOR VETERINARY DRUG RESIDUE IN FOOD

1. PREAMBLE

This Technical Regulation is issued pursuant to the Food Rules and Regulations of Bhutan 2017. This Technical Regulation is based mainly on the latest version of the Codex Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) and Risk Management Recommendations (RMRs) for Veterinary Drug Residues in Foods (CAC/MRL 2-2015).

2. SCOPE

This Technical Regulation applies to Residues of Veterinary drugs in foods. The Residues of Veterinary drugs in foods, Codex Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs) shall apply.

3. DEFINITIONS

Egg means the fresh edible portion of the spheroid reproductive body laid by hen, duck or turkey.

Fat is the lipid-based tissue that is trimmable from an animal carcass or cuts from an animal carcass. It may include subcutaneous, omental or perirenal fat. It does not include interstitial or intramuscular carcass fat or milk fat.

Fish means any of the cold-blooded aquatic vertebrate animals commonly known as such. This includes Pisces, Elasmobranches and Cyclostomes. Aquatic mammals, invertebrate animals and amphibians are not included. This term may also apply to certain invertebrates, particularly Cephalopods.

Maximum Residue Limit for Veterinary Drugs (MRLVD), also MRLIs the maximum concentration of residue resulting from the use of a veterinary drug (expressed in mg/kg or mg/kg on a fresh weight basis) that is recommended to be legally permitted or recognized as acceptable in or on a food

Meat is the edible part of any mammal.

Milk is the normal mammary secretion of milking animals obtained from one or more milkings without either addition to it or extraction from it, intended for consumption as liquid milk or for further processing.

Muscle is the skeletal tissue of an animal carcass or cuts of these tissues from an animal carcass that contains interstitial and intramuscular fat. The muscular tissue may also include bone, connective tissue, tendons as well as nerves and lymph nodes in natural portions. It does not include edible offal or trimmable fat.

Poultry means any domesticated bird including chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, guinea-fowls or pigeons.

Veterinary drug residue is the parent compounds and/or their metabolites in any edible portion of the animal product, and includes residues of associated impurities of the veterinary drug concerned.

Tissue means all edible animal tissue, including muscle and by-products

4 LIMITS FOR VETERINARY DRUG RESIDUES

This Standard consists of maximum permitted veterinary drug residue (MRL) or (MRLVD) in

various animal foods.

The food specified in column (2) of the table below shall not contain the Veterinary drug specified in relation thereto in column (1) in proportion greater than the maximum permitted proportion specified in column (3) thereof in relation to the food.

Substance	(1)	(2)	(3)
	Drug	Food	Maximum
	Definition of		Residue Limits
	residues in which		(MRLs) in food
	MRL was set		(µg/kg)
Albendazole	2-Aminosulfone	Muscle, fat (cattle and	100
(Antihelmenthic)	metabolite	other species), milk	
		(cattle)	
		Liver, kidney (cattle and	5000
		other species)	
Amoxicillin	Amoxicillin	Milk (cattle)	4

MAXIMUM PERMITTED PROPORTION OF DRUG RESIDUES IN FOOD

		Muscle, liver, kidney, fat (all food producing species)	50
Ampilicillin	Ampicillin	Milk (cattle)	4
		Muscle, liver, kidney, fat	50
		(all food producing	
		species)	
Amprolium	1-4 amino-2-n-	Muscle (chicken, turkey,	500
	propyl-5-	pheasant and calf), liver	
	(pyrimidinylmethyl)-	(calf), kidney (calf)	
	2-picolinium	Liver (chicken, turkey	1000
	chloride	and pheasant), kidney	
	hydrochloride	(chicken and turkey)	
		Fat (calf)	2000
		Egg (chicken and turkey)	4000
Avoparcin	Avoparcin	Milk (cattle)	10
		Edible offal, muscle	100
		(mammalian and poultry)	
Benzylpenicillin	Benzylpenicillin	Milk (cattle)	4
		Liver, kidney, muscle	50
		(cattle and pig)	
Carazolol	Carazolol	Muscle, fat (pig)	5
		Liver, kidney (pig)	25
Carbadox	Carbadox	Muscle (pig)	5
		Liver (pig)	30
Carprofen	Carprofen	Muscle (horse)	50
		Fat (horse)	100
		Muscle, fat (cattle)	500
		Liver, kidney (cattle and	1000
		horse)	

Cefquinome	Cefquinome	Milk (cattle)	20
		Muscle, fat (cattle)	50
		Liver (cattle)	100
		Kidney (cattle)	200
Ceftiofur sodium	Desfuroylceftiofur	Milk (cattle)	100
		Muscle (pig and cattle)	200
		Fat (pig and cattle)	600
		Liver (pig and cattle)	2000
		Kidney (pig and cattle)	4000
Clorsulon	Clorsulon	Muscle (cattle)	100
		Liver (cattle)	200
		Kidney (cattle)	300
		Fat (cattle)	400
Closantel	Closantel	Muscle, liver (cattle)	1000
		Muscle, liver (sheep)	1500
		Fat (sheep)	2000
		Kidney, fat (cattle)	3000
		Kidney (sheep)	5000
Cloxacillin	Cloxacillin	Milk (cattle)	30
		Muscle, liver, kidney, fat	300
		(all food producing	
		species)	
Colistin	Colistin	Milk (cattle)	50
		Muscle, liver, fat (cattle,	150
		chicken, pig, rabbit and	
		sheep)	
		Kidney (cattle, chicken,	200
		pig, rabbit and sheep)	
		Egg (chicken)	300
Danofloxacin	Danofloxacin	Fat (cattle)	200
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		Muscle (cattle and	300
		chicken)	
		Kidney (cattle)	500
		Fat (chicken)	600
		Liver (cattle)	900
		Liver, kidney (chicken)	1200
Decoquinate	Decoquinate	Muscle, liver, kidney, fat	500
		(cattle and sheep)	
Dexamethazone	Dexamethazone	Milk (cattle)	0.3
		Muscle, kidney (cattle,	0.5
		horse and pig)	
		Liver (cattle and pig)	2.5
Dicloxacillin	Dicloxacillin	Milk (cattle)	30
		Muscle, liver, kidney, fat	300
		(all food producing	
		species)	
Dihydrostreptomycin	Dihydrostreptomycin	Milk (cattle)	200
		Muscle, liver, fat (cattle,	500
		chicken, pig and sheep)	
		Kidney (cattle, chicken,	1000
		pig and sheep)	
Dimetridazole	Dimetridazole	Edible offal, muscle	5
		(chicken and pig)	
Diminazene	Diminazene	Milk (cattle)	150
		Muscle (cattle)	500
		Kidney (cattle)	6000
		Liver (cattle)	12000
Doramectin	Doramectin	Muscle (cattle)	10
		Kidney (cattle)	30
		Liver (cattle)	100

		Fat (cattle)	150
Doxycycline	Doxycycline	Muscle (cattle, pig and	100
		poultry)	
		Liver (cattle, pig and	300
		poultry), fat (pig and	
		poultry)	
		Kidney (cattle, pig and	600
		poultry)	
Enrofloxacin	Sum of enrofloxacin	Muscle, liver, kidney	30
	and ciprofloxacin	(cattle, chicken and pig)	
Erythromycin	Erythromycin	Milk (mammalian)	40
		Edible offal, muscle, egg	300
Ethopabate	Ethopabate	Muscle (chicken)	500
		Liver, kidney (chicken)	1500
Febantel	Sum of febandazole,	Milk (cattle), muscle,	100
	oxfendazole and	kidney, fat (cattle, pig and	
	oxfendazole sulfone	sheep)	
		Liver (cattle, pig and	500
		sheep)	
Fenbendazole	Sum of febandazole,	Milk (cattle), muscle,	100
	oxfendazole and	kidney, fat (cattle, pig and	
	oxfendazole sulfone	sheep)	
		Liver (cattle, pig and	500
		sheep)	

Florfenicol	Sum of florfenicol	Muscle (cattle)	200
	and its metabolites	Kidney (cattle)	300
	measured as	Liver (cattle)	3000
	florfenol-amine		

Flubendazole	Flubendazole	Muscle, liver (pig)	10
		Fat (pig)	20
		Fat (cattle)	40
		Liver (cattle)	100
		Muscle (poultry)	200
		Egg (poultry)	400
		Liver (poultry)	500
Flumequine	Flumequine	Muscle, fat (cattle, pig,	50
		poultry and sheep)	
		Liver (cattle, pig,	100
		poultry and sheep)	
		Kidney (cattle, pig,	300
		poultry and sheep)	
Flumehtrin	Flumethrin	Edible offal, muscle	50
		and milk (cattle)	
Gentamicin	Gentamicin	Milk (cattle), muscle,	100
		fat (cattle and pig)	
		Liver (cattle and pig)	200
		Kidney (cattle and pig)	1000
Isometamidium	Isometamidium	Muscle, fat, milk	100
		(cattle)	
		Liver (cattle)	500
		Kidney (cattle)	1000
Ivermectin	22,23	Liver (pig and sheep)	15
	Dihydroavermectin	Fat (pig and sheep)	20
	B1a	Fat (cattle)	40
		Liver (cattle)	100
Levamisole	Levamisole	Muscle, kidney, fat	10
		(cattle, pig, poultry and	
		sheep)	

		Liver (poultry)	100
Lincomycin	Lincomycin	Edible tissue (pig)	100
Maduramicin	Maduramicin	Edible tissue, muscle	240
		(chicken)	
		Fat (chicken)	480
		Liver (chicken)	720
Moxidectin	Moxidectin	Liver (cattle)	20
		Liver (sheep), fat (cattle	50
		and sheep)	
		kidney (cattle and	100
		sheep)	
		milk (cattle and sheep)	500
Neomycin	Neomycin	Muscle, liver, fat	500
		(chicken, turkey, duck,	
		cattle, goat, sheep and	
		pig), egg (chicken),	
		milk(cattle)	
		Kidney (chicken,	1000
		turkey, duck, cattle,	
		goat, sheep and pig)	
Nicarbazin	Nicarbazin	Muscle, liver, kidney	4000
		(chicken)	
Nystatin	Nystatin	Edible tissue (pig and	0
		poultry), egg (poultry)	
Oxacillin	Oxacillin	Milk (all food	30
		producing species)	
		Muscle, liver, kidney,	300
		fat (all food producing	
		species)	

Oxfendazole	Sum of	Muscle, kidney, fat	100
	fenbendazole,	(cattle, pig and sheep),	
	oxfendazole and	milk (cattle)	
	oxfendazole sulfone	Liver (cattle, pig and	500
		sheep)	
Oxibendazole	Oxibendazole	Milk (cattle and sheep)	50
		Muscle, liver, kidney,	100
		fat (cattle, horse, pig	
		and sheep)	
Oxytetracycline	Oxytetracycline	Fat (cattle, sheep, pig,	10
		chicken and turkey)	
		Milk (cattle), muscle	100
		(cattle, sheep, pig,	
		chicken and turkey)	
		Egg (chicken)	200
		Liver (cattle, sheep,	300
		pig, chicken and	
		turkey)	
		Kidney (cattle, sheep,	600
		pig, chicken and	
		turkey)	
Penicillin	Penicillin	Edible tissue (chicken,	0
		quail, pig and sheep),	
		egg (chicken and	
		quail),	
		milk (cattle)	10
		Edible tissue (cattle)	50
Phoxim	Phoxim	Edible offal, muscle	10
		(pig)	
		Fat (pig)	50

Ractopamine	Ractopamine	Muscle (pig)	10
		Fat (pig)	10
		Liver (pig)	40
		Kidney (pig)	90
Robenidine	Robenidine	Edible tissue (poultry)	100
hydrochlorine	hydrochlorine	Fat (poultry)	200
Salinomucin		Egg(poultry)	50
		Muscle (Cattle)	20
		Edible offal (pig),	100
		Muscle(pig and	
		poultry)	
		Edible offal (cattle)	500
		Poultry	100
Sarafloxacin	Sarafloxacin	Fat (chicken)	10
		Liver (chicken)	100
Spectinomycin	Spectinomycin	Milk (cattle)	200
		Muscle (cattle, chicken	300
		and pig)	
		Fat (cattle, chicken and	500
		pig)	
		Liver (cattle, chicken	2000
		and pig)	
		Kidney (cattle, chicken	5000
		and pig)	
Spiramycin	Expressed as	Muscle (pig)	200
	spiramycin	Kidney, fat (pig)	300
	equivalents	Liver (pig)	600
	antimicrobially		
	active residues		

	Sum of spiramycin	Muscle (cattle and	200
	and neospiramycin	chicken) milk (cattle)	
		Kidney (cattle) ,fat	300
		(cattle & chicken)	
		Liver (cattle and	600
		chicken)	
		Kidney (chicken)	800
Streptomycin	Streptomycin	Milk (cattle)	200
		Muscle, liver, fat	500
		(cattle, chicken, pig and	
		sheep)	
		Kidney (cattle, chicken,	1000
		pig and	
		sheep)	
Sulphadiazine	Sulphadiazine	Edible offal	100
		(mammalian), muscle	
		(mammalian), milk	
		(cattle)	
Sulphadimethoxine	Sulphadimethoxine	Milk (cattle)	10
		Edible offal, muscle	100
		(cattle and chicken)	
Sulphadimidine	Sulphadimidine	Milk (cattle)	25
		Edible offal (chicken	100
		and mammalian),	
		muscle (chicken and	
		mammalian), liver,	
		kidney, fat (cattle)	
Sulphamethazine	Sulphamethazine	Edible tissue (cattle,	100
		turkey, chicken and	
		pig)	

Sulphaquinoxaline	Sulphaquinoxaline	Edible offal, muscle	100
		(poultry)	
Sulphonamide	Sulphonamide	Muscle, liver, kidney,	100
		fat (all food producing	
		species), milk (cattle)	
Tetracycline	Sum of parent drug	Muscle (cattle, poultry,	100
	and its 4-epimer	pig and sheep), milk	
		(cattle)	
		Egg (poultry)	200
		Liver (cattle, poultry,	
		pig and sheep)	300
		Kidney (cattle, poultry,	600
		pig and sheep)	
Thiabendazole	Sum of	Muscle, liver, kidney	100
	thiabendazole and 5-	and fat (cattle, pig, goat	
	hydroxy-	and sheep), milk (cattle	
	thiabendazole	and goat)	
Tiamulin	8-alpha-	Muscle (pig)	3600
	hydroxymutilin	Liver (pig)	10800
		Kidney, fat (pig)	14400
Tilmicosin	Tilmicosin	Milk (sheep)	50
		Muscle, fat (cattle,	100
		poultry, pig and sheep)	
		Kidney (cattle and	300
		sheep)	
		Liver (cattle and	1000
		sheep), kidney (pig)	
		Liver (pig)	1500
Trenbolone acetate	β-Trenbolone	Muscle (cattle)	2
	α-Trenbolone	Liver (cattle)	10

Triclabendazole	5-chloro-6-(2'3'-	Fat (cattle and sheep)	100
	dichloro-phenoxy)-	Muscle (cattle and	250
	benzimidazole-2-one	sheep)	
		Liver (Cattle)	850
		Liver (sheep)	300
Trimethoprim	Trimethoprim	Edible offal, muscle	50
		(mammalian and	
		chicken), egg	
		(chicken), milk (cattle)	
Tylosin	Tylosin	Milk (cattle)	50
		Muscle, liver, kidney	200
		(chicken and cattle),	
		edible tissue (cattle),	
		fat (chicken), egg	
		(chicken)	
Virginiamycin	Virginiamycin	Muscle, liver, kidney,	0
		fat (cattle)	
		Muscle (pig and	100
		poultry)	
		Fat (poultry)	200
		Liver (pig and poultry)	300
		Kidney, fat (pig)	400
		Kidney (poultry)	500
Zeranol	Zeranol	Muscle (cattle)	2
		Liver (cattle)	10

PROHIBITED DRUGS

The following drugs are prohibited in food:

Beta agonists excluding Ractopamine, Nitrofurans, Chloramphenicol