

**COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION (EU) 2016/1319****of 29 July 2016****amending Recommendation 2006/576/EC as regards deoxynivalenol, zearalenone and ochratoxin A in pet food****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 292 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Recommendation 2006/576/EC <sup>(1)</sup> establishes guidance values for deoxynivalenol, zearalenone, ochratoxin A, fumonisins B1+B2 and T-2 and HT-2 toxin in feed materials and compound feed.
- (2) The current guideline level for deoxynivalenol in feed for dogs is 5 mg/kg. Taking into account information received recently as regards the toxicity of deoxynivalenol in feed for dogs and the EFSA opinion on deoxynivalenol in feed <sup>(2)</sup>, it appears that the current guideline level does not provide sufficient guarantees as regards animal health for dogs and it is therefore appropriate to lower the guideline level of deoxynivalenol in feed for dogs.
- (3) Taking into account information received recently as regards the toxicity of zearalenone in feed for cats and dogs, it is appropriate to establish a guideline level for zearalenone in feed for cat and dogs to provide guarantees as regards animal health for cat and dogs, awaiting an updated risk assessment, to be performed by EFSA, on the possible animal health risks as the consequence of the presence of zearalenone in feed.
- (4) Taking into account information received recently as regards the toxicity of ochratoxin A in feed for cats and dogs and the EFSA opinion on ochratoxin A in feed <sup>(3)</sup>, it is appropriate to establish a guideline level for ochratoxin A in feed for cats and dogs to provide guarantees as regards animal health for cats and dogs.
- (5) To maintain the readability of the provisions in the Recommendation, it is appropriate to replace the Annex to Recommendation by a new Annex.

HAS ADOPTED THIS RECOMMENDATION:

The Annex to Recommendation 2006/576/EC is replaced by Annex to this Recommendation.

Done at Brussels, 29 July 2016.

*For the Commission*  
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<sup>(1)</sup> Commission Recommendation 2006/576/EC of 17 August 2006 on the presence of deoxynivalenol, zearalenone, ochratoxin A, T-2 and HT-2 and fumonisins in products intended for animal feeding (OJ L 229, 23.8.2006, p. 7).

<sup>(2)</sup> Opinion of the Scientific Panel on Contaminants in the Food Chain on a request from the Commission related to Deoxynivalenol (DON) as undesirable substance in animal feed <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/73>

<sup>(3)</sup> Opinion of the Scientific Panel on Contaminants in Food Chain on a request from the Commission related to ochratoxin A (OTA) as undesirable substance in animal feed <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/efsajournal/pub/101>

## ANNEX

## GUIDANCE VALUES

Mycotoxin	Products intended for animal feed	Guidance value in mg/kg (ppm) relative to a feedingstuff with a moisture content of 12 %
Deoxynivalenol	Feed materials (*)	
	— Cereals and cereal products (**) with the exception of maize by-products	8
	— Maize by-products	12
	Compound feed with the exception of	5
	— compound feed for pigs	0,9
	— compound feed for calves (< 4 months), lambs, kids and dogs	2
Zearalenone	Feed materials (*)	
	— Cereals and cereal products (**) with the exception of maize by-products	2
	— Maize by-products	3
	Compound feed for:	
	— piglets, gilts (young sows), puppies, kittens, dogs and cats for reproduction	0,1
	— adult dogs and cats other than for reproduction	0,2
	— sows and fattening pigs	0,25
— calves, dairy cattle, sheep (including lamb) and goats (including kids)	0,5	
Ochratoxin A	Feed materials (*)	
	— Cereals and cereal products (**)	0,25
	Compound feed for:	
	— pigs	0,05
	— poultry	0,1
— cats and dogs	0,01	
Fumonisin B1+B2	Feed materials (*)	
	— maize and maize products (***)	60
	Compound feed for:	
	— pigs, horses ( <i>Equidae</i> ), rabbits and pet animals	5
— fish	10	

Mycotoxin	Products intended for animal feed	Guidance value in mg/kg (ppm) relative to a feedingstuff with a moisture content of 12 %
	— poultry, calves (< 4 months), lambs and kids — adult ruminants (> 4 months) and mink	20 50
T-2 + HT-2 toxin	Compound feed for cats	0,05

(\*) Particular attention has to be paid to cereals and cereals products fed directly to the animals that their use in a daily ration should not lead to the animal being exposed to a higher level of these mycotoxins than the corresponding levels of exposure where only the complete feedingstuffs are used in a daily ration.

(\*\*) The term 'Cereals and cereal products' includes not only the feed materials listed under heading 1 'Cereal grains and products derived thereof' of the list of feed materials referred to in part C of the Annex to Commission Regulation (EU) No 68/2013 of 16 January 2013 on the Catalogue of feed materials (OJ L 29, 30.1.2013, p. 1) but also other feed materials derived from cereals in particular cereal forages and roughages.

(\*\*\*) The term 'Maize and maize products' includes not only the feed materials listed under heading 1 'Cereal grains and products derived thereof' of the list of feed materials referred to in part C of the Annex to Regulation (EU) No 68/2013 but also other feed materials derived from maize in particular maize forages and roughages.