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8. REGULATIONS AND ADVISORIES

The international, national, and state regulations and guidelines regarding malathion in air, water, and other media are summarized in Table 8-1.

ATSDR has derived an acute inhalation MRL of 0.2 mg/m³ for malathion based on a NOAEL of 65 mg/m³ for inhibition of erythrocyte cholinesterase activity in rabbits (Weeks et al. 1977). The LOAEL was 123 mg/m³. An uncertainty factor of 100 was used (10 for animal to human extrapolation and 10 for the protection of sensitive human groups). A conversion factor was used to adjust from intermittent exposure to continuous exposure (6/24hours).

ATSDR has derived an intermediate inhalation MRL of 0.02 mg/m³ for malathion based on a LOAEL of 100 mg/m³ for upper respiratory tract effects in rats (Beattie 1994). An uncertainty factor of 1,000 was used (10 for animal to human extrapolation, 10 for the use of a LOAEL, and 10 for the protection of sensitive human groups). A conversion factor was used to adjust from intermittent exposure to continuous exposure (5/7x6/24 hours).

ATSDR has derived an intermediate oral MRL of 2x10⁻² mg/kg/day for malathion based on a NOAEL of 0.23 mg/kg/day for inhibition of plasma and red blood cell cholinesterase activities in humans (Moeller and Rider 1962). The LOAEL was 0.34 mg/kg/day. An uncertainty factor of 10 was used for the protection of sensitive human groups.

ATSDR has derived a chronic oral MRL of $2x10^{-2}$ mg/kg/day for malathion based on a NOAEL of 2 mg/kg/day for inhibition of plasma and red blood cell cholinesterase activities in male rats administered malathion in the diet for 2 years (Daly 1996a). The LOAEL was 29 mg/kg/day. An uncertainty factor of 100 was used (10 for extrapolation from animal to humans and 10 for the protection of sensitive populations).

EPA (IRIS 2003) has derived an RfD of 2x10⁻² mg/kg/day for malathion based on a NOAEL 0.23 mg/kg/day for inhibition of plasma and red blood cell cholinesterase activities in humans (Moeller and Rider 1962). The LOAEL was 0.34 mg/kg/day. An uncertainty factor of 10 was used for the protection of sensitive human groups.

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------------------|---|
| INTERNATIONAL | | | |
| Guidelines: IARC | Carcinogenicity classification | Group 3 ^a | IARC 2001 |
| <u>NATIONAL</u> | | | |
| Regulations and Guidelines: | | | |
| a. Air | | | |
| ACGIH | TLV-TWA ^b | 10 mg/m ³ | ACGIH 2000 |
| NIOSH | REL (TWA) IDLH | 10 mg/m³ 250 mg/m³ | NIOSH 2001 |
| OSHA | PEL (8-hour TWA) General industry (total dust) | 15 mg/m ³ | OSHA 2001a 29CFR1910.1000 Table Z-1 |
| | PEL (8-hour TWA) Construction industry (total dust) | 15 mg/m³ | OSHA 2001b 29CFR1926.55 Appendix A |
| | PEL (8-hour TWA) Shipyard industry (total dust) | 15 mg/m³ | OSHA 2001c 29CFR1915.1000 Table Z |
| b. Water | | | |
| DOT | Marine pollutant | | DOT 2001a 49CFR172.101 Appendix B |
| EPA | Drinking water guideline | 0.2 mg/L | HSDB 2001 |
| | Health advisories | | EPA 2000c |
| | 1 Day (10-kg child) | 0.2 mg/L | |
| | 10 Day (10-kg child) DWEL | 0.2 mg/L 0.7 mg/L | |
| | Lifetime | 0.1 mg/L | |
| | Pesticide chemicals—effluent limitations for BPT | | EPA 2001a 40CFR455.20(b) |
| | Water programs—designation of hazardous substance | | EPA 2001b 40CFR116.4 |
| | Water programs— | | EPA 2001c |
| | determination of reportable | 100 pounds | 40CFR117.3 |
| | quantity Reportable quantity | 100 pounds | |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| NATIONAL (cont.) | | | |
| c. Food | | | |
| EPA | Methyl eugenol combination (pesticide) residue tolerances of agricultural commodities; ratio of parts of methyl eugenol to technical malathion is 3:1; eugenol and malathion maximum dosage per application per acre | 28.35 g methyl eugenol and 9.45 g malathion | EPA 2001d 40CFR180.1067 |
| | Pesticides—where residues from two or more chemicals in the same class are present in or on a raw agricultural commodity, the tolerance for the total of such residues shall be the same as that for the chemical having the lowest numerical tolerance in this class, unless a higher tolerance level is provided | | EPA 2001e 40CFR180.3(e)(5) |
| | Pesticides—tolerances for residues (ppm) Alfalfa Almond hulls Almonds, shells Apples Apricots Asparagus Avocados Barley (grain) Beans Beets (tops) Beets (sugar, roots) Beets (sugar tops) Birdsfoot trefoil (forage and hay) | 135 50 8 50 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 1 1 8 | EPA 2001f 40CFR180.111 |
| | Blackberries Blueberries Boysenberries Carrots Cattle (fat, meat byproducts, meat) Chayote (fruit and roots) Cherries Chestnuts Clover Corn, forage and grain Corn, fresh (including sweet) Cottonseed | 8 8 8 4 4 8 8 1 135 8 2 | |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|--------|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| | Pesticides—tolerances for | | |
| | residues (ppm) | | |
| | Cowpea (forage and hay) | 135 | |
| | Cranberries | 8 | |
| | Cucumbers | 8 | |
| | Currants | 8 | |
| | Dates | 8 | |
| | Dewberries | 8 | |
| | Eggplants | 8 | |
| | Eggs (from application to | 0.1 | |
| | poultry) | | |
| | • • • • | 8 | EPA 2001f |
| | Figs Filberts | 1 | 40CFR180.111 |
| | | | 40CFR 160.111 |
| | Flax seed | 0.1 | |
| | Flax straw | 1 | |
| | Garlic | 8 | |
| | Goats (fat, meat byproducts, meat) | 4 | |
| | Gooseberries | 8 | |
| | Grapefruit | 8 | |
| | Grapes | 8 | |
| | Grass (including hay) | 135 | |
| | Guavas | 8 | |
| | Hogs (fat, meat byproducts, | 4 | |
| | meat) | • | |
| | Hops | 1 | |
| | Horseradish | 8 | |
| | Horses (fat, meat byproducts, | 4 | |
| | meat) | | |
| | Kumquats | 8 | |
| | Leeks | 8 | |
| | Lemons | 8 | |
| | Lentils | 8 | |
| | Lespedeza (hay and straw) | 135 | |
| | Lespedeza (seed) | 8 | |
| | Limes | 8 | |
| | Loganberries | 8 | |
| | Lupine (seed) | 8 | |
| | Macadamia nuts | 1 | |
| | Mangos | 8 | |
| | Melons | 8 | |
| | Milk, fat (from application to | 0.5 | |
| | | 0.5 | |
| | dairy cows) Mushrooms | 0 | |
| | Nectarines | 8 8 | |
| | | 8 | |
| | Oats (grain) | | |
| | Okra | 8 | |
| | Onions (including green tops) | 8 | |
| | Oranges | 8 | |
| | Papayas | 1 | |
| | Parsnips | 8 | |
| | Pesticides—tolerances for | | |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|--------|---|-------------|--------------------------|
| | residues (ppm) | | |
| | Passion fruit | 8 | |
| | Peaches | 8 | |
| | Peanut (forage and hay) | 135 | |
| | Peanuts | 8 | |
| | Pears | 8 | |
| | Peas | 8 | |
| | Peavine (including hay) | 8 | |
| | Pecans | 8 | |
| | Peppermint | 8 | EPA 2001f |
| | Peppers | 8 | 40CFR180.111 |
| | Pineapple | 8 | |
| | Plums | 8 | |
| | Potatoes | 8 | |
| | Poultry (fat, meat byproducts, | 4 | |
| | meat) | | |
| | Prunes | 8 | |
| | Pumpkins | 8 | |
| | Quinces | 8 | |
| | Radishes | 8 | |
| | Raspberries | 8 | |
| | Rice (grain and wild) | 8 | |
| | Rutabagas | 8 | |
| | Rye (grain) | 8 | |
| | Safflower (seed) | 0.2 | |
| | Salsify (including tops) | 8 | |
| | Shallots | 8 | |
| | Sheep (fat, meat byproducts, meat) | 4 | |
| | Sorghum (forage and grain) | 8 | |
| | Soybeans (dry and succulent) | 8 | |
| | Soybeans (forage and hay) | 135 | |
| | Spearmint | 8 | |
| | Squash (summer and winter) | 8 | |
| | Strawberries | 8 | |
| | Sunflower seeds | 8 | |
| | Sweet potatoes | 1 | |
| | Tangerines | 8 | |
| | Tomatoes | 8 | |
| | Turnips (including tops) | 8 | |
| | Vegetables (leafy, including | 8 | |
| | Brassica) | | |
| | Vetch (hay and straw) | 135 | |
| | Vetch (seed) | 8 | |
| | Walnuts | 8 | |
| | Wheat (grain) | 8 | |
| USDA | Agriculture—labeling of treated seed shall not be deemed harmful when present at a rate less than indicated | 8 ppm | USDA 2001 7CFR201.31a |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|-----------------------------|--|---|--|
| NATIONAL (cont.) | • | | |
| d. Other | | | |
| ACGIH | BEI—organophosphorus cholinesterase inhibitors (cholinesterase activity in red cells) | 70% of individual's baseline | ACGIH 1999 |
| ACGIH | Carcinogenicity classification | A4 ^c | ACGIH 2000 |
| DOT | Superfund—reportable quantity | 100 pounds | DOT 2001b 49CFR172.101 Appendix A |
| EPA | RfD | 2x10 ⁻² mg/kg/day | IRIS 2001 |
| | NPDES—permit application testing requirements; toxic pollutants and hazardous substances required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present | | EPA 2001g 40CFR122 Appendix D Table V |
| | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | EPA 2001h 40CFR265 Appendix VI |
| | Superfund—reportable quantity | 10 pounds | EPA 2001i 40CFR302.4 |
| | Toxic chemical release reporting; Community Right-to- Know—effective date | 01/01/95 | EPA 2001j 40CFR372.65 |
| <u>STATE</u> | | | |
| Regulations and Guidelines: | | | |
| a. Air | | | |
| Alaska | Air contaminant standard Total dust Respirable fraction | 10 mg/m ³ 5 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| California | Airborne contaminant | • | BNA 2001 |
| Colorado | Standards applicable to | | BNA 2001 |
| | surface water Human health based (water supply) | 140 μg/L | |
| | Aquatic life based (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| Connecticut | HAP—hazard limiting value 8 Hours 30 Minutes | 200 μg/m³ 1,000 μg/m³ | BNA 2001 |
| Hawaii | Air contaminant (PEL-TWA) Total dust | 10 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|----------------|--|--|------------|
| STATE (cont.) | | | |
| Idaho | Toxic air pollutant OEL EL AAC | 10 mg/m ³ 6.67x10 ⁻¹ pounds/hour 0.5 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| Illinois | Toxic air contaminant | | BNA 2001 |
| Kentucky | TAL Average time Significant levels | 40 mg/m ³ 8 hours 2.551x10 ⁻³ pounds/hour | BNA 2001 |
| Michigan | Air contaminant (PEL-TWA) Total dust | 15 mg/m³ | BNA 2001 |
| | Occupational air contaminant MAC | 15 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| Montana | Occupational air contaminant ^b | 15 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| New Hampshire | Toxic air pollutant OEL | 10 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| New Jersey | Toxic air pollutant OEL Emissions | 10 mg/m ³ 6.67x10 ⁻¹ pounds/hour | BNA 2001 |
| New York | Dangerous air contaminant TLV ^b | 15 mg/m³ | BNA 2001 |
| | Total dust Transitional limits (PEL) ^b Final rule limits (TWA) ^b | 15 mg/m ³ 10 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| North Carolina | General industry standards Total dust | 10 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| Oregon | Air contaminant | 10 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| South Carolina | Toxic air emissions MAC | 100 μg/m³ | BNA 2001 |
| Texas | TLV ^b | 15 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| Washington | Air contaminant (TWA) Total dust | 10 mg/m ³ | BNA 2001 |
| | Toxic air pollutant ASIL (24-hour average) | 33 μg/m³ | BNA 2001 |
| b. Water | | | |
| Alaska | Water quality standards—toxic substance | | BNA 2001 |
| Arizona | Drinking water guideline | 140 μg/L | HSDB 2001 |
| | Groundwater protection list | | BNA 2001 |
| California | Drinking water guideline | 160 μg/L | HSDB 2001 |
| Connecticut | Water pollution control— hazardous substance | | BNA 2001 |
| Delaware | Surface water quality standards—toxic substance | | BNA 2001 |
| | Fresh (chronic) Marine (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L | |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|---------------|--|----------------------|------------|
| STATE (cont.) | | | |
| Florida | Drinking water guideline | 140 μg/L | HSDB 2001 |
| | Surface water quality criteria | | BNA 2001 |
| | Potable water supply | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | Shellfish propagation or | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | harvesting Predominantly fresh waters | 0.1 μg/L | |
| Georgia | Hazardous site response— | 0.2 mg/L | BNA 2001 |
| ocorgia | groundwater criteria | 0.2 mg/L | DNA 2001 |
| | concentration | | |
| Hawaii | Water quality criteria | | BNA 2001 |
| | Freshwater (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | Saltwater (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| Kansas | Surface water quality criteria | 0.4 " | BNA 2001 |
| | Aquatic life (chronic) Agriculture (livestock) | 0.1 μg/L 100 μg/L | |
| Maine | Drinking water guideline | 40 μg/L | HSDB 2001 |
| Mairie | Private water systems | 40 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| | Maximum exposure guideline | 0.04 mg/L | DINA 2001 |
| | Action level | 0.02 mg/L | |
| Massachusetts | Environmental toxicity values | - | BNA 2001 |
| | Freshwater (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | Marine (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| Minnesota | Water quality standards | | BNA 2001 |
| | Drinking water supply Groundwater | 200 μg/L | |
| | Protection of aquatic life | 200 μg/L 0.1 μg/L | |
| Nebraska | Standards for water quality | σ., μg, Ξ | BNA 2001 |
| | Aquatic life (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | 2 200 . |
| | Water quality standards for | | BNA 2001 |
| | wetlands | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | Aquatic life (chronic) | | |
| Nevada | Standards for toxic materials | | BNA 2001 |
| | applicable to designated waters | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | Aquatic life | 0.1 μg/L | |
| New Hampshire | Water quality criteria | | BNA 2001 |
| 2 | Fresh (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | Marine (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | |
| New Jersey | Groundwater quality criteria | 200 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| | PQL | 5 μg/L | |
| New York | Groundwater quality standards | 7.0 | BNA 2001 |
| | MAC | 7.0 µg/L | D14 222 / |
| Ohio | Surface water quality | 0.1 ug/l | BNA 2001 |
| | standards Outside mixing zoning | 0.1 μg/L | |
| | average | | |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|---------------|--|-----------------------------|------------|
| STATE (cont.) | | | |
| Oklahoma | Surface water quality criteria Fish and wildlife propagation (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| Oregon | Water quality Fresh (chronic) Marine (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| South Dakota | Surface water—toxic pollutant | | BNA 2001 |
| Texas | Water quality Freshwater (chronic) | 0.01 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| Utah | Water quality—hazardous substances required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present | | BNA 2001 |
| Virginia | Criteria for surface water Freshwater (chronic) Saltwater (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L 0.1 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| Wyoming | Water quality criteria Aquatic life (chronic) | 0.1 μg/L | BNA 2001 |
| c. Food | | No data | |
| d. Other | | | |
| Alabama | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| Arizona | Soil remediation levels Residential Non-residential | 1,300 mg/kg 14,000 mg/kg | BNA 2001 |
| Arkansas | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| California | Chemicals required to have been tested for potential to cause cancer or reproductive toxicity, but which have not been adequately tested as required (data requirements) | Oncogenicity | BNA 2001 |
| | Hazardous substance | | BNA 2001 |
| | Pesticide field worker safety— restricted entry intervals Citrus Grapes Peaches/nectarines | 1 day 1 day 1 day | BNA 2001 |
| | Pesticide registration—active ingredients | | BNA 2001 |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|---------------|---|--|------------|
| STATE (cont.) | | | |
| Colorado | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| Delaware | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| | Reportable quantity | 100 pounds | BNA 2001 |
| Florida | Toxic substance in the workplace | | BNA 2001 |
| Georgia | Hazardous site response— regulated substance | | BNA 2001 |
| Illinois | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| Louisiana | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m ³ /mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| Maine | Identification of hazardous waste —hazardous constituent | | BNA 2001 |
| | Screening standards for beneficial use (waste concentration) | 2,000 mg/kg dry weight | BNA 2001 |
| Massachusetts | Containers adequately labeled pursuant to federal law | | BNA 2001 |
| | Human health based toxicity values (chronic oral RfD) | 2.0x10 ⁻² mg/kg/day | BNA 2001 |
| | Oil and hazardous material | | BNA 2001 |
| Michigan | Identification and listing of hazardous waste | | BNA 2001 |
| Minnesota | Toxic pollutant and hazardous substance | | BNA 2001 |
| Mississippi | Packaging dates for malathion | Must mark all retail containers with a code or batch number from which the date of packaging may be determined | BNA 2001 |
| Nebraska | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| | Pesticide classes | Class III ^d | BNA 2001 |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|----------------|---|---|------------|
| STATE (cont.) | | | |
| New Jersey | Hazardous substance | | BNA 2001 |
| New York | Pesticide control—use of chemicals for the control or elimination of aquatic insects | Not to exceed 0.5 pounds/acre (active ingredient) | BNA 2001 |
| | Reportable quantity Air Land/water | 100 pounds 1 pound | BNA 2001 |
| South Carolina | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| Tennessee | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| Texas | Risk-based exposure limits— soil dermal contact Gastrointestinal absorption factor Dermal absorption factor | 5.00x10 ⁻¹ 1.00x10 ⁻¹ | BNA 2001 |
| Washington | Hazardous substance required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present | | BNA 2001 |
| | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |
| West Virginia | Hazardous substance required to be identified by existing dischargers if expected to be present | | BNA 2001 |
| | RfD | 2.00x10 ⁻² mg/kg/day | BNA 2001 |

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| Agency | Description | Information | References |
|---------------|--|-------------|------------|
| STATE (cont.) | | | |
| Wyoming | Standards for hazardous waste TSD facilities—compounds with Henry's law constant less than 0.1 atm m³/mol (at 25 °C) | | BNA 2001 |

^aGroup 3: not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans

AAC = acceptable ambient concentrations; ACGIH = American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists; ASIL = acceptable source impact levels; BEI = biological exposure index; BNA = Bureau of National Affairs; BPT = best practical technology; CFR = Code of Federal Regulations; DOT = Department of Transportation; DWEL = drinking water equivalent level; EL = emissions level; EPA = Environmental Protection Agency; HAP = hazardous air pollutant; HSDB = Hazardous Substances Data Bank; IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer; IDLH = immediately dangerous to life and health; IRIS = Integrated Risk Information System; MAC = maximum allowable concentration; NIOSH = National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health; NPDES = National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System; OEL = occupational exposure limit; OSHA = Occupational Safety and Health Administration; PEL = permissible exposure limit; PQL = practical quantitation level; REL = recommended exposure limit; RfD = oral reference dose; TAL = threshold ambient limits; TLV = threshold limit value; TSD = treatment, storage, and disposal; TWA = time-weighted average; USDA = United States Department of Agriculture

^bSkin notation: danger of cutaneous absorption

^cA4: not classifiable as a human carcinogen

^dClass III: oral LD50 greater than 900 mg/kg⁻¹