

# A CHINA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROJECT FACT SHEET

## Highlights of Pesticide Laws and Regulations in China

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<b>Law and Regulations</b>	<b>Brief Description</b>	<b>Issuer</b>	<b>Effective</b>
<i>Marine Environment Protection Law of the PRC</i>	The amended Marine law includes language on how pesticide use in coastal farmland should follow the 1997 National Pesticide Use Regulations and Standards.	The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress	First passed on August 23, 1982 and amended on December 15, 1999
<i>Water Pollution Prevention and Control Law</i>	Regarding pesticides, this law includes provisions to strengthen pesticide management to prevent water pollution.	The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress	First passed on May 11, 1984; amended on May 15, 1996; and new amended law due out in 2007
<i>Grassland Law of PRC</i>	Regarding pesticides, this law bans on the use of poisonous, high-residues pesticides and pesticides on crops that may result in poisoning grassland areas.	The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress	First passed on June 18, 1985 and amended on December 28, 2002
<i>Provisions on Rural Pesticide Poisoning Sanitation Management</i>	Strengthens the management of rural healthcare work to prevent pesticide poisoning. Mainly focuses on occupational pesticide poisoning and also manages non-productive pesticide poisoning and treatment.	Ministry of Health	August 25, 1988
<i>Antitoxic Regulations for Storage, Transportation, Marketing and Use of Pesticides</i>	Regulations regarding the safety and sanitation of pesticide products package, transport and handling, as well as storage, marketing, use and disposal.	General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the PRC	September 1, 1991

<i>Agriculture Law of PRC</i>	Regarding pesticides, this law includes clauses on pesticide use in agriculture production and agricultural resources and environment protection.	The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress	First passed on July 2, 1993 and amended on December 28, 2002
<i>Provisions on Pesticide Advertisement Censorship</i>	Regulates advertisements for the pesticides used to: (1) prevent agriculture, forest, and herd disease; (2) control pests, rats, weeds and other harmful organisms; and (3) regulate plant and insect growth.	State Administration for Industry & Commerce, Ministry of Agriculture	First passed on April 7, 1995 and amended on December 22, 1998
<i>Food Hygiene Law of the PRC</i>	Bans on food with pesticide residue that exceeds national relevant standard. Mandates that safety evaluation of pesticide, fertilizer and other agricultural chemicals should be approved by the public health department under the State Council.	The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress	October 30, 1995
<i>Regulation on Pesticide Management</i>	First comprehensive Chinese law to regulate the management of pesticides.	The State Council	First passed on May 8, 1997 and amended on November 29, 2001
<i>Provisions for the Implementation of the Regulation on Pesticide Management</i>	Ensures the implementation of The Regulation of Pesticide Management. Aims to strengthen the supervision and management of pesticide registration, trade and use. Promotes technology in the pesticide industry to help ensure stable development in agriculture. Includes measures to protect the environment and ensure the safety of human beings and livestock.	Ministry of Agriculture	First passed on April 27, 1999 and amended on July 27, 2002 Revised

<i>Dangerous Chemical Safety Management Ordinance</i>	Regulates dangerous chemical production, marketing, storage, transport, use and dangerous chemical waste disposal in China.	State Administration of Work Safety	March 15, 2002
<i>Provisions on the Organic Product Certification Management</i>	Regulates the production, processing, trade and certification of organic products.	General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine of the People's Republic of China	November 5, 2004
<i>Provisions on Pesticide Production Management</i>	Strengthens pesticide production and management. Promotes and regulates the development of the pesticide industry.	National Development and Reform Commission	January 1, 2005
<i>Regulations for the Implementation of the Organic Products Certification</i>	Ensures the validity of organic certification and the consistency of certification procedures and management.	Certification and Accreditation Administration of PRC	June 1, 2005
<i>Law on Agricultural Product's Quality and Safety of PRC</i>	Regarding pesticides, this law includes clauses on pesticide use and agricultural product quality and safety.	The Standing Committee of the National People's Congress	April 29, 2006
<i>Guideline on Labels for Pesticide Products</i>	Regulates the design of labels for commercial pesticide products (including imports). Sets basic principles for the design and content of labels for pesticide products.	China Petroleum and Chemical Industry Association	November 1, 2007
<i>General Rule for Packing of Pesticides</i>	Regulates pesticide products packing groups, packing technology, package transport and storage, as well as testing method and inspection procedures.	China Petroleum and Chemical Industry Association	November 1, 2007

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