

Supermarket Pesticide Policy Survey 2024

Introduction

1. Name of supermarket:

2. Name and job title of respondent:

3. Email address of respondent:

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General

4. Name up to three changes made by the company since 2021 (when PAN UK's previous supermarket ranking was published) which have had a major impact in terms of reducing pesticide-related harms to human health and/or the environment?

i)

ii)

iii)

5. Does the company have a target to reduce pesticide use in its supply chain?

Yes No

If yes, please provide a link to where the target is articulated and/or send the relevant policy document to PAN UK on emma@pan-uk.org.

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Phasing out the use of Highly Hazardous Pesticides (HHPs)

6. Does the company have a commitment in place to phase out the most hazardous pesticides (known as 'Highly Hazardous Pesticides' or 'HHPs') from its supply chain?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes', please provide a link to where this commitment is articulated and/or send the relevant policy document to PAN UK on emma@pan-uk.org. (For reference, the PAN International List of Highly Hazardous Pesticides is available here: http://pan-international.org/wp-content/uploads/PAN_HHP_List.pdf)

7. Is the PAN International List of Highly Hazardous Pesticides (link provided in previous question) incorporated into the company's policies and operations?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes', please explain how and provide a link to where this is articulated online and/or send the relevant policy document to PAN UK on emma@pan-uk.org.

8. Does the company have the following lists of active substances?

Note: Some retailers may use different terms to refer to their lists so a brief description of each list has been provided below.

If the company does not have any lists of active substances, please skip ahead to question 17.

	Yes	No
Monitored list – use of active substances is monitored by the company but suppliers do not need permission to use them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Restricted list – active substances are only allowed for use in certain circumstances and suppliers/growers must seek advance permission (a derogation) from the company to use them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prohibited list – active substances are not permitted for use under any circumstances.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other list/s (for example a phase out list).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you answered 'yes' to any of the above questions, please provide the lists to PAN UK by sending them to emma@pan-uk.org. If the company is not able to provide the lists to PAN UK, please explain why.

9. How does the company decide which active substances to put on its lists? Please provide detail of the criteria used.

10. Do the company's lists of active substances apply solely to fresh produce?

Yes No

If you answered 'No', what other categorises do the company's lists apply to?

11. In the last two years, have any active substances been added to the company's prohibited list?

Yes No

12. If you answered yes to Q11, please complete the following details for each active substance:

- Name of active substance
- Reason for adding to the prohibited list (for example, to protect the environment and/or consumer health and/or worker health)
- Whether the active substance was used in the company's global supply chains before being added to the prohibited list.

13. In the last two years, have any active substances been added to the company's restricted list?

Yes No

14. If you answered yes to Q13, please complete the following details for each active substance:

- Name of active substance
- Reason for adding to the restricted list (for example, to protect the environment and/or consumer health and/or worker health)
- Whether the active substance is currently used in the company's global supply chains.

15. In the last two years, have any active substances been added to the company's monitored list?

Yes No

16. If you answered yes to Q15, please complete the following details for each active substance:

- Name of active substance
- Reason for adding to the monitored list (for example, to protect the environment and/or consumer health and/or worker health)
- Whether the active substance is currently used in the company's global supply chains.

17. Does the company have specific active substances that are prioritised for 'phase out'?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes' please complete the details below.

- How many active substances are currently on this list?

- In the past two years, have any active substances on this list been phased out of use within the company's supply chains? If so, please name them.

18. Does the company operate a derogation system?

Yes No

19. If you answered 'yes' to Q18 please complete the details below (alternatively skip to Q20):

For which list/s of active substances does the company operate a derogations system?

How many derogation requests has the company received in the past 12 months (across all lists)?

How many/what percentage of those requests were granted?

What criteria does the company use when deciding whether to approve a derogation request?

20. Does the company require additional worker safety measures, beyond legal requirements stated on the product label, for any specific active substances of concern?

Yes No

(If you answered 'no' skip to question 22)

If you answered 'yes' please name the active substances. Feel free to either name the individual active substances (e.g. paraquat) AND/OR the company list they sit on (e.g. all actives on the restricted list) AND/OR the criteria used to identify them (e.g. acutely toxic) AND/OR the group of active substances (e.g. organophosphates).

21. If you answered 'yes' to Q20 please answer the following (alternatively skip to Q22). What additional safety measures does the company require for these specific active substances? Please tick all those that are relevant:

- Workers/operators must be part of a health screening programme
- Workers/operators must be able to access medical facilities easily and are offered regular health checks
- Workers/operators must have received additional safety training
- Workers must wear additional PPE
- Supplier/grower must supply a safety data sheet and/or risk assessment to the company
- Supplier/grower must have a documented procedure regulating re-entry intervals after pesticide application
- Other (please provide detail)

22. Does the company:

- Have direct oversight over health and safety issues related to pesticide use within its global supply chain? OR
- Rely on third-parties (such as GlobalG.A.P. and/or Red Tractor) to fulfil this role? OR
- Other

Regardless of which option you selected, please provide detail.

23. Does the company monitor pesticide poisoning of workers within its global supply chain?

- Yes
- No

If yes, how?

24. As part of its approach to health and safety, does the company have a documented process in place for:

	Yes	No
Identifying hazards related to pesticides	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assessing who is at risk and how	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Deciding, implementing and reviewing risk controls	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Involving workers in these processes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you answered 'YES' to any of the above options, please provide detail.

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Supporting suppliers to reduce pesticide use and adopt non-chemical alternatives

25. Does the company have a stated objective and/or target to promote Integrated Pest Management (IPM) among its:

	Yes	No
UK and/or EU suppliers and growers?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
International suppliers and growers (outside the EU)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you answered 'YES' to either of the above options, please provide a link to where the objective and/or target is articulated and/or send the relevant policy document to PAN UK on emma@pan-uk.org

The next five questions are about the support provided by the company to its UK and EU suppliers and growers to help them adopt non-chemical alternatives and IPM strategies.

26. Does the company conduct and/or fund research (including trials) into IPM techniques among its EU and UK suppliers and growers?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of research conducted/funded by the company in the past two years.

27. If you answered yes to Q26, how does the company ensure that the findings of this research and/or learnings from trials reaches EU and UK suppliers and growers?

28. Does the company provide training and/or guidance documents on IPM to its EU and UK suppliers and growers?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of trainings conducted by the company or relevant guidance documents produced in the past two years.

29. Does the company provide bespoke advice to specific EU and UK suppliers and/or growers on how they can reduce their own pesticide use and adopt IPM techniques?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of when bespoke advice from the company has led to a specific supplier and/or grower reducing their pesticide use or adopting IPM techniques.

30. Does the company run forums and/or grower groups designed to bring EU and UK suppliers and growers together to share peer-to-peer tips and learnings on IPM and pesticide reduction?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of topics related to pesticide reduction and/or IPM that have been discussed in the company's forums/grower groups over the past two years.

The next five questions are about the support provided by the company to its international suppliers and growers (outside of the UK and EU) to help them adopt non-chemical alternatives and IPM strategies.

31. Does the company conduct and/or fund research (including trials) into IPM techniques among its international suppliers?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of research conducted/funded by the company in the past two years.

32. If you answered yes to Q31, how does the company ensure that the findings of this research and/or learnings from trials reaches international suppliers and growers?

33. Does the company provide training and/or guidance documents on IPM to its international suppliers?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of trainings conducted by the company or relevant guidance documents produced in the past two years.

34. Does the company provide bespoke advice to specific international suppliers and/or growers on how they can reduce their own pesticide use and adopt IPM techniques?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of when bespoke advice from the company has led to a specific supplier and/or grower reducing their pesticide use or adopting IPM techniques.

35. Does the company run forums and/or grower groups designed to bring international suppliers and growers together to share peer-to-peer tips and learnings on IPM and pesticide reduction?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of topics related to pesticide reduction and/or IPM that have been discussed in the company's forums/grower groups over the past two years.

36. In the last two years, has the company managed to phase out, or significantly reduce, the use of any specific active substances using IPM techniques?

Yes No

37. If you answered 'yes' to Q36 please complete the details below for each active substance:

- Name of active substance
- Whether it was phased out completely or significantly reduced (and by what percentage)
- List the IPM technique/s employed

38. List the three measures that are having the greatest impact in terms of reducing the post-harvest use of pesticides? Do consider post-harvest use in relation to storage, transport and shelf-life. Please do also specify whether the measures you list below are taken directly by the company or implemented by suppliers.

Measure 1

Measure 2

Measure 3

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Residues in food

39. What items does the company monitor for pesticide residues? (Please tick all appropriate boxes):

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit and vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> Dried fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepared/ready meals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pulses | <input type="checkbox"/> Nuts | <input type="checkbox"/> Frozen produce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Products made of wheat, including bread and pasta | <input type="checkbox"/> Seeds | <input type="checkbox"/> Wine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other cereals | <input type="checkbox"/> Herbs | <input type="checkbox"/> Beer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ambient grains | <input type="checkbox"/> Spices | <input type="checkbox"/> Popcorn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flour | <input type="checkbox"/> Baby food | <input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rice | <input type="checkbox"/> Fruit juices | <input type="checkbox"/> Cocoa |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eggs | <input type="checkbox"/> Milk alternatives (oat, almond, rice, coconut, soy, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Tea and coffee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meat | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned goods | <input type="checkbox"/> Jam |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dairy | <input type="checkbox"/> Jarred goods | <input type="checkbox"/> Honey |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fish | <input type="checkbox"/> Processed food | <input type="checkbox"/> Olive oil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please provide details) | | |

40. Does the company have any measures in place specifically designed to support suppliers to reduce residues?

- Yes No

If yes, please provide details:

41. What percentage of a Maximum Residue Level has to be reached for the company to launch an investigation? Please tick the correct box.

100% 80% 50%

Other, please provide the percentage:

42. Once an investigation into residues is launched, what specific actions does the company take? (Please tick all appropriate boxes):

- Work closely with the supplier to identify the root causes of the problem
- Provide training, guidance and other support to the supplier on how to reduce residues, including via IPM techniques
- Recommend non-chemical methods of pest control to the supplier
- Discuss the specific issue in grower groups and/or forums
- Agree short and long-term action plans aimed at reducing residues with the supplier
- Flag the issue for monitoring and consider additional action if the residue problem persists
- Share issue and associated learnings with the company's in-house technical staff
- Share issue and associated learnings with other suppliers
- Other (please provide details)

43. Thinking about combinatory effects of pesticides, does the company have any measures in place to trigger action if the residues of multiple different pesticides are found on one food item?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes' please complete the details below.

i) What is the minimum number of different pesticides residues that need to be detected in order to trigger action?

ii) What action is taken?

44. Does the company use its residue testing results to inform which active substances to prioritise for phase out?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of where residue data has been used to inform action to phase out a specific Highly Hazardous Pesticides.

45. Does the company use its residue testing results to inform which crops and countries to prioritise for IPM strategies?

Yes No

If yes, please give up to three separate examples of where residue data has been used to inform where to target a specific IPM intervention.

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Bees and pollinators

Please note: This section applies to all pollinators, including wild bees. Focusing purely on honeybees will score fewer points.

46. Does the company have any measures in place to ensure that the four neonicotinoids banned by the EU (clothianidin, imidacloprid, thiamethoxam and thiacloprid) are not being used as foliar sprays or seed treatments to grow products in the company's global supply chain?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes', are these measures implemented in-house or outsourced to a third company?

If these measures are implemented in-house please provide detail describing the measures in place.

If these measures are outsourced to a third party, please provide detail regarding how they are monitored and enforced by the company.

47. Does the company have any measures in place to monitor, reduce and/or stop the use of other active substances that are classified as 'highly toxic to bees' (for example fipronil, permethrin, sulfloxaflor etc)?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details including the name/s of the active substances. (For reference, the PAN International List of Highly Hazardous Pesticides is available here: http://pan-international.org/wp-content/uploads/PAN_HHP_List.pdf)

48. Does the company provide support to its suppliers to help them better protect bees and pollinators from pesticides?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details.

49. Does the company's broader work on nature/biodiversity include a focus on pesticide reduction and/or IPM uptake?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes', please provide details including links to where this is articulated online and/or send the relevant policy document to emma@pan-uk.org

50. Does the company support research on the effect of pesticides on pollinators and make it available to its suppliers?

Yes No

If yes, please provide 1-3 separate examples of research conducted within the past two years.

51. Does the company require its suppliers to monitor pollinator activity and provide the data to the company?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details, including what support the company is providing to suppliers to enable them to conduct pollinator monitoring.

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Amenity pesticides

52. Does the company use pesticides (including weedkillers) around its stores and car parks to manage unwanted plant growth?

Yes No

53. Does the company have any plans in place to end this use, either through adopting non-chemical alternatives and/or leaving areas such as verges to grow in order to create green corridors and benefit biodiversity?

Yes No

If you answered 'yes', please provide details including timelines.

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54. Does the company publish its full pesticide policy?

Yes No

If yes, please provide the link.

55. Does the company publish detailed results of its residue testing?

Yes No

If yes, please provide the link and complete the details below.

- How many years of testing results does the company publish?
- How often is the information published?
- When was the last time this information was updated on the company website?

56. Does the company publish lists of active substances that are monitored, restricted and/or prohibited within its supply chain? Specifically, does it publish its:

	Yes	No
Monitored list?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Restricted list?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prohibited list?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Any other list/s?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you answered 'yes' to any of the above options, please provide the link/s.

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Selling pesticide products

57. Does the company sell synthetic pesticide products (including weedkillers) for use in gardens?

Yes No

If yes, what products do you sell? (Please link to them on the company website)

58. Does the company sell its own brand synthetic pesticide products?

Yes No

If yes, what 'own brand' products do you sell? (Please link to them on the company website)

59. Has the company reduced its range of synthetic pesticides in the past year?

Yes No

If yes, please provide the names of products no longer being sold:

60. Does the company offer deals and discounts on any of the pesticide products it sells?

Yes No

61. Does the company sell non-chemical products for controlling weeds and insects?

Yes No

If yes, please name the products (please link to them on the company website):

62. Does the company sell any biocidal products that contain active substances classified as Highly Hazardous Pesticides? For example, many ant and cockroach sprays and powders contain the active substances cypermethrin and/or deltamethrin and rat poisons often contain brodifacoum. (For reference, the PAN International List of Highly Hazardous Pesticides is available here: http://pan-international.org/wp-content/uploads/PAN_HHP_List.pdf)

Yes No

If yes, what products do you sell? (please link to them on the company website)

63. Does the company sell pet medicines containing pesticide active substances that are banned for use on UK crops due to the harms they cause? Specifically, does the company sell pet medicines containing any of the following active substances?

	Yes	No
Fipronil	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Imidacloprid	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Permethrin	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dinotefuran	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nitenpyram	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

64. Does the company sell any non-chemical pet medicines for controlling ticks and fleas?

Yes No

If yes, please name the products (please link to them on the company website):