

Animal nutrition: undesirable substances and products. Codification

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This document sets out the proposal for a Directive amending Council Directive 1999/29/EC on the undesirable substances and products in animal nutrition which is part of an overall strategy to reduce the presence of dioxins, furans and PCBs in environment, food and feed. Its purpose is to establish maximum limits for dioxins and furans in several feed materials and feedingstuffs. The proposed measures concerning feedingstuffs consist of three pillars: - firstly, the establishment of maximum levels, taking into account the current background contamination, at a strict but feasible level; - secondly, the establishment of action levels acting as a tool for 'early warning' which triggers a proactive approach from competent authorities and operators to identify sources and pathways of contamination and to take measures to eliminate them; - thirdly, the establishment of target levels, which are the levels to be achieved in order to bring the exposure of the large majority of the European population below the tolerable weekly intake set by the SCF.