

## **Minor use authorisations** (Article 51 of Regulation No 1107/2009)

A minor use authorisation means that an already authorised plant protection product may be authorised for additional uses, provided that the uses are minor in nature. You may apply for a minor use authorisation if you intend to use the product on a minor crop, or if you intend to use the product against a target pest which is regarded as minor (e.g., a rare pest found only in limited areas).

An authorisation for minor use may be granted only if all the conditions relating to residues, human health and environmental safety are satisfied, and only if the use is in the public interest.

The Norwegian Food Safety Authority grants a minor use authorisation on the condition that the use with respect to failures concerning the efficacy or to phytotoxicity is under the liability of the person using the plant protection product.

It is also possible to apply for mutual recognition of a minor use authorisation from another Member State within the Northern zone, if the crop or the target pest is regarded as minor also in Norway.

### **Who can apply for minor use?**

The authorisation holder, official or scientific bodies involved in agricultural activities, professional agricultural organisations or professional users may apply for a minor use authorisation. The extension of authorisation for minor use is not limited to the applicant. The extension is valid for all the professional users.

### **How to apply for minor use authorisations**

The application form ([LINK](#)) should be accompanied by a proposed additional label ([LINK](#)) or a proposed extension of minor use on an existing label. Extensions on an existing label shall be separately identified and separate reference shall be made to liability restrictions.

Where necessary, data on the magnitude of residues and additional documentation on unacceptable effects on the environment and human health (risk assessment to operator, worker, resident and bystander) shall be provided.

### **After authorisation**

If an authorisation is granted to other official or scientific bodies/professional organisations or users than the authorisation holder, the Norwegian Food Safety Authority will request the authorisation holder to include the additional use on the label of the plant protection product. If this is not accommodated, the authorisation and the use instructions will be published on the Norwegian Food Safety Authority's website.

Authorisation period for minor use follows ordinary authorisation period. Therefore a new application for extension of authorisation for minor use shall be submitted when the product is renewed.