



# Wild caught Western Rock Octopus residue testing annual datasets 2023-24

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## Dataset abbreviations

**LOR** Limit of reporting.

**MRL** Maximum Residue Limit.

**no limit** No Australian standard applicable for the contaminant. The 'as low as reasonably achievable' principle applies. Detections at low levels are allowable.

**not defined** Standards are not defined in inedible matrixes (urine, retina and faeces).

**not set** No Australian standard has been set for the chemical in the edible matrix and any detection is a contravention of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.

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**Table 1: METALS**

Chemical	Matrix	LOR (mg/kg)	MRL (mg/kg)	Number of samples tested	>LOR to $\leq \frac{1}{2}$ MRL	> $\frac{1}{2}$ MRL to $\leq$ MRL	>MRL
antimony	Flesh	0.01	no limit	10	0	0	0
arsenic (inorganic)	Flesh	0.05	1	3	0	0	0
arsenic (total)	Flesh	0.05	no limit	10	10	0	0
cadmium	Flesh	0.01	2	10	10	0	0
chromium	Flesh	0.05	no limit	10	0	0	0
lead	Flesh	0.01	2	10	0	0	0
mercury (total)	Flesh	0.01	1	10	1	0	0