

Oklahoma Organic Food Act



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Answers in this brochure.



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CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Each production or handling operation or specified portion of a production or handling operation that produces or handles crops, livestock, livestock products, or other agricultural products that are intended to be sold, labeled, or represented as “100 percent organic,” must be certified to NOP standards by the Oklahoma Organic Food Section which is an certifying agent for USDA/NOP.

Certification Standards for Producers

1. Completion of a producer, livestock, or processor application form available from the Department that meets all NOP Standards
2. Submission of soil residue test results from the proposed production sites; Assays conducted by our department.
3. Verification by documentation or test results that application of prohibited substances during the previous three years were not made;
4. On-site inspection of the crop during the growing season.

PRODUCTION PRACTICES:

Producers who have met all requirements of the National Organic Program Standards will receive “Organic Certification.”

Must have Organic Production and Handling System Plan. This includes:

- (1). Description of practices and procedures to be preformed and maintained, including the frequency with which they will be preformed

- (2). A list of each substance to be used as a production or handling input, indicating its composition, source, and location where used.

- (3). Description of monitoring practices and procedures to be preformed and maintained, including the frequency with which they will be preformed.

- (4). Description of recordkeeping system implemented to comply with requirements.

- (5). Practices to prevent commingling of organic and non organic products.

How is license obtained?

The Board may issue a license upon request after all of the certification requirements have been met. A properly completed license application must be submitted with the proper fee.

How is license renewed?

Continuance of compliance can be accomplished by submitting a current, updated producer, livestock, or processor application form with the proper fee. An annual re-inspection of sites certified during the crops' growing season is required.

New production sites, new non-municipal irrigation sources and/or previously certified sites where the license has lapsed, must meet current guidelines within the Law & Rules.



PLEASE SEND ME THE FOLLOWING:

- ORGANIC FOOD ACT
- CERTIFICATION APPLICATION
- LIST OF GROWERS CERTIFIED

COMPANY NAME

ATTENTION

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

PHONE

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

SEND TO:
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