



Initial Application for Organic Certification

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If you require assistance, please contact us by email at office.canada@ecocert.com or call to request a telephone meeting with one of our Customer Service representatives.

1 General Information

1.1 Operator

Business Name :	
Postal Address:	
City :	Province :
Postal Code :	Web site :

1.2 Managers

Primary Contact Name :	
Email :	
Telephone :	Extension:
Cell:	Fax :
Secondary Contact Name :	
Email :	
Telephone :	Extension:
Cell:	Fax:

Means of communication:

To reduce paper consumption, improve the health of the planet and for the sake of efficiency, ECOCERT Canada favours sending documents by email instead of by mail.

It is therefore important to provide a valid email address if you wish to receive documents by email.

2 Production Site Addresses

List the sites involved in the production of organic products to be certified.

Site 1 :	
Address :	
City, Province :	
Postal Code :	
Site 2 :	
Address :	
City, Province :	
Postal Code :	



3 Organic Agriculture Certification

To be completed by farm and maple producers.

*****If your certification project does not include farm or maple syrup production please skip directly to [Section 4](#).**

3.1 General Description: What are your business' activities?

(Example: Wheat crops and flour mill, cash crops, CSA baskets, Maple syrup production, dairy production, vegetable production, etc.)

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3.2 Please list the products for which organic certification is being requested.

(Example: corn, wheat, mixed vegetables, milk, honey, meat cuts, maple syrup, herbs, etc.)

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3.3 For the organic products to be certified, you are responsible for which activities in your operation:

- Crop production – in field
- Wild Harvest
- Sprout/Germination/Microgreen Production
- Maple Syrup Production
- On-farm Processing
- Packing / labelling of products not produced on your farm
- Bulk storage of products not produced on your farm
- Livestock Production
- Mushroom Production
- Greenhouse Production – in containers
- Greenhouse Production – in ground

3.4 Please indicate the date of the last application of prohibited substances on these parcels of land.

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Canadian regulations require land to be free of prohibited inputs for more than 36 months prior to certification of products grown on them. Field production requires 2 inspections over 2 consecutive production seasons before certification can be granted. Your first inspection could therefore be done when your fields have not received a prohibited input for a minimum of 24 months.

3.5 Are any parcels of land you are farming exempt of any prohibited substances for the past 24 months?

Yes

No



4 Processing/Handling/Distribution Certification

To be completed by processors, handlers, packers, labellers, exporters and/or brokers.

*****If your certification project does not include processing, handling, distribution, labelling, exporting or brokering, please skip to Section 5.**

4.1 General description of your operation/activities:

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4.2 List the products for which you are requesting organic certification:

(Example: cookies, flour, tea, frozen vegetables, lip balm, supplements, etc.)

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4.3 MULTI-INGREDIENT PRODUCTS - Do the products you wish to have certified contain more than 70% certified organic ingredients? (excluding water and salt)

Yes No

4.4 Will your products be sold as food products only?

Yes No*

*IF not, please indicate the intended final use of your products.

(for example: pet food, natural health product, supplement, body care products, cosmetics, etc.) :

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4.5 Planned start date for organic activities :

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4.6 For organic products/activities to certify, you are/will be responsible for:

- Processing/handling (including packing, labelling, and distribution of products)
- Packing and/or Labelling (including distribution of product)
- Distribution (exclusively)
- Trading/Brokering (exclusively)
- Service provider for a third party's organic product



4.7 Size of operation/organic activity

(A general idea of the number of products will help estimate the length of the inspection only. Fees are not calculated per product)

- 1 to 10 products
- 11 to 20 products
- 21 to 30 products
- 31 to 50 products
- 51 to 100 products
- > 101 products

5 Additional information on your project

(Section to fill by all type of operators)

5.1 Mixed Production

Are/will both organic and non-organic be handled on the same site? Yes No

5.2 Marketing

Where will your products be sold?

- Within my province
- In Canada
- In the United-States
- In the European Union
- Elsewhere, please specify: _____

5.3 Brands and Trademarks Used

Which brands will appear on the organic product labels?

Not applicable

Brands / Trademarks

Brand or Trademark Owner

_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Your business	<input type="checkbox"/> Another business
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Your business	<input type="checkbox"/> Another business
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Your business	<input type="checkbox"/> Another business

5.4 Certification History

a) Are your products/activities currently certified organic? Yes* No

*If **yes**, please indicate the name of your current certification body : _____

b) Has your business obtained organic certification for products in the past? Yes* No



*If **yes**, please indicate the name of the certification body: _____

c) Has your certification ever been refused, revoked, suspended, withdrawn or cancelled? Yes * No

*If **yes**, please indicate the reasons and products concerned: _____

d) Reason(s) for changing certification bodies: _____

5.5 Subcontractor/Co-packer

The use of a third party for certain handling operations or offering handling services for a third party (*examples : cleaning, packing, labelling, bottling, drying, freezing, etc.*)

a) Do you offer subcontractor services to other operators? Yes* No

*If **yes**, please specify the service offered: _____

b) Do you use the services of a subcontractor for products to be certified organic? Yes* No

*If **yes**, please complete the following table:

Subcontractor/Co-packer's Name	Subcontractor's Activities	Certified Organic
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

5.6 Organic Standards

a) Have you read and understood the relevant sections of the Canadian Organic Standards **CAN/CGSB-32.310-2015**? Yes No

b) Have you read and understood the relevant sections of the Permitted Substances List **CAN/CGSB-32-311-2015**? Yes No

5.7 Certification Documents

a) Do you wish to receive the following documents in paper version instead of electronically?

Yes* No

If so, please indicate which ones:

Certificate Decision Letter Inspection Report

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5.8 Survey

How did you come to know about our services?

- ECOCERT Canada website
- I was referred by:
- Other, please specify:

Date :

Name :