



CCOF Mexico Compliance Program Application

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Complete this form to request certification to the Mexico Compliance Program. Your operation needs to enroll in this program if located in Mexico or selling products as organic in Mexico.

- ▶ The Mexico Compliance Program is dependent on certification to the US National Organic Program as a base level of compliance.
- ▶ Program fees apply, as described in the Mexico Compliance Program Manual.

A. General Information

Operation Name:		Date:
1. Review the standards and requirements of this program in the Mexico Compliance Program Manual, available at www.ccof.org/mexico .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I have reviewed Mexico Compliance Program Manual Comments/Questions:	
2. You must maintain a complaint file to address complaints pertaining to your organic practices.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I keep a complaint file. ¹	
3. Are you currently certified organic by a certification agency other than CCOF?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Certifier: Attach current certificates, recent compliance notices, letters, and a signed release of certification data.	

B. Crop Production Practices and Materials

NA, no crop production.

Practice	Answer	Requirement
1. Are any of your organic crops from hydroponic production?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, list crops and parcels:	Production without soil is prohibited. ²
2. Are any of your organic crops from container production?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, list crops and parcels:	Prohibited. ³
3. Do you use sodium nitrate (Chilean nitrate, NaNO ₃) in your organic crop production?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, list crops and parcels:	Prohibited. ⁴
4. Is your use of all plastic in compliance with the Mexico Compliance Program Manual requirements?	<input type="checkbox"/> NA, no plastic used <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, explain plan to meet this requirement:	See Mexico Compliance Program Manual 3.2.5 for requirements. ⁵

C. Processor/Handler Practices⁶

NA, no processing/handling.

Management Practice	Answer	Requirement
1. Describe your systems for separating and identifying ingredients and finished products that meet different organic standards, in order to avoid commingling errors.	<input type="checkbox"/> NA, all products meet identical standards. <input type="checkbox"/> Systems in place, please describe:	Required.
2. Are all supplies/products to be marketed as organic in Mexico, or used as ingredients in organic products to be marketed in Mexico, certified organic?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, produced in Mexico and certified to the Mexican organic standards. Attach certificates <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, produced outside of Mexico and certified to the U.S., Canadian, European, or Japanese standards. Attach certificates <input type="checkbox"/> No, some or all do not meet the criteria above. List products/ingredients:	Required.
3. Are all products processed at locations certified to the Mexican organic standards?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, attach certificates <input type="checkbox"/> NA <input type="checkbox"/> No, list applicable co-packers/locations:	Required.

1 ISO/IEC 17065 4.1.2.2.c.2 & 4.1.2.2.j

2 Agreement which makes public the Guidelines for Organic Operations of farming and livestock activities (LOO) Article 30

3 LOO Article 30

4 LOO Article 4 "National List"; Article 31; Table 1 of Annex 1

5 LOO Article 51

6 LOO Articles 200, 204; DGIAAP/SENASICA Circular No. 4

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D. Labeling

All labels must comply with the requirements of the country in which they are sold. All labels must be submitted to CCOF for approval prior to printing. **Please review the Mexico Compliance Program Manual, available at www.ccof.org/mexico, for specific requirements and details.**

NA, no labels for products sold as organic in Mexico.

Labeling Practice	Answer	Requirement
1. Do all non-retail containers, wholesale containers, produce boxes, or accompanying documents (BOLs, invoices, etc.) contain the required information?	<input type="checkbox"/> NA, no non-retail containers used <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, explain plan to meet this requirement:	All labels must be submitted to CCOF for approval and must meet the labeling requirements in the MCP Manual. ⁷
2. Has all retail packaging for product to be sold as organic been submitted to CCOF for review and approval?	<input type="checkbox"/> NA, no retail packaging for organic product <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No, explain:	All labels must be submitted to CCOF for approval and must meet the labeling requirements in the MCP Manual. ⁸
3. Do you plan to use the SAGARPA national organic seal on any packaging or labels?	<input type="checkbox"/> NA, no packaging or labels <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. For each product to be labeled with the seal, list the volume of product, and describe the production cycle:	Written certifier approval required prior to use of the SAGARPA national organic seal. ⁹

⁷ LOO Articles 191; 198

⁸ LOO Articles 201; 202; 204; Agreement which discloses the national seal of organic products and the general rules are established for use in the labeling of products certified as organic (DN)

⁹ DN Article 12