

Program Overview

Regenerative Organic Certified® with CCOF

CCOF is proud to offer the [Regenerative Organic Certified® \(ROC™\) program](#) in partnership with the [Regenerative Organic Alliance \(ROA\)](#). ROA is the Oversight and Scheme Management Body for the ROC™ program. CCOF acts as the certification body. Together we are pleased to offer this program to certified organic operations located in the United States.

Certification Cost

ROA

- » Fees for producers include a one-time application fee and annual renewal fee as described in the Cost & Fee Structure located in the [ROC™ Resource Library](#).
- » Additional fees apply for licensees making ROC™ claims on processed products.

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- » New Application fee (One time): \$350
- » Annual certification fee: \$500 per pillar
- » Annual Inspection fee: Based on time onsite (\$85 per hour) and travel (\$47.50 per hour) and expenses include mileage, food, lodging, etc. CCOF would be happy to provide an audit fee estimate* upon reviewing your files prior to inspection.

**This fee estimate may change in subsequent years if your risk level changes for the Farmer and Worker Fairness Pillar or if you enroll/withdraw sites or pillars from this program.*

**Operators that use more than two hiring approaches, hire workers under the age of 18, and have more than 10 workers on site for more than 10 calendar days/year (consecutive or not) are considered high risk for the Farmer and Worker Fairness Pillar. Inspection fees may be billed at higher rates than listed above if translators are used for worker interviews or an operation is considered high risk.*

Timeline

As achieving certification for ROC™ starts with applying directly to the ROA for initial review, we recommend contacting them for an estimate of how long this step will take. Processing time with CCOF is roughly four months after the ROA assigns your operation to CCOF.

If you are applying for USDA NOP organic with CCOF as well, you should apply concurrently.

Next Steps

1

Review all Regenerative Organic Certified® governing documents on ROA's Resources page.

2

Contact getcertified@ccof.org with any questions on CCOF services, fees, or timelines

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Contact info@regenorganic.org with any other questions.

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Apply with ROA to start the process of gaining ROC™. Select CCOF as your preferred agency to work with. If you have not yet gained USDA NOP Organic Certification, you can apply with CCOF concurrently.

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ROC™ requires all operations to be certified organic as a baseline. You can seek both programs concurrently.

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Contact CCOF (getcertified@ccof.org) and the Regenerative Organic Alliance (info@regenorganic.org) and let us know your plans. We are happy to answer any questions.

3

Apply for the programs you need. If you are already certified organic, you only need to apply for ROC™ with ROA. There are three ROC™ pillars: Soil Health, Animal Welfare, and Farmer and Worker Fairness. Operations can achieve three levels of certification for the Regenerative Organic Certified® program: Bronze, Silver, and Gold, always starting at Bronze in their first year. Operations with animals will need third party animal welfare certification as well. You can learn more in the “Required Baseline Certifications & Equivalency Assessment” on [ROA's resources page](#).

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Once your initial application with ROA is accepted, you will be assigned to CCOF to complete the process. We may reach out with a few more questions to prepare for inspection.

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CCOF will coordinate your inspection. If you have both organic and ROC™ with CCOF, we will strive to combine your inspections after the first year of service.

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CCOF will review your inspection report and reach out with any questions

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Certification granted! Maintain your certification(s) with annual inspections and renewal contracts.