



## Organic Product Certification Overview

### Provides Safe and Reassured Agricultural Products

The Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) definition on organic agriculture is: organic agriculture is a comprehensive production management system that promotes and consolidates biodiversity, biological cycles and soil biological activity which are indispensable parts of healthy agriculture ecosystem. The organic agriculture system is based on clear and strict production standards, and is committed to the optimization of social, ecological and economic sustainability.

### Organic Agriculture

Organic agriculture is a mode of agricultural production that follows specific agriculture production principals. It does not use the genetically modified (GM) organisms or their by-products, synthetic pesticides or chemical fertilizers, growth enhancer or feed additives, or any other substances. It follows rules of nature and ecology principals to control the balance between planting and breeding. It is an agriculture production system that adopts sequences of sustainable agriculture technologies in obtaining sustained and steady agricultural products.

Organic agriculture, while fulfilling its functionality of production by providing organic products, focuses on human interactions with their ecosystems, environment and management to the sustainable nature resources. Organic agriculture is based on principles of health, ecology, fairness and care.

Organic products are products made for human and animal consumptions following standard of production, processing and marketing. It mainly includes:

- a) Organic foods: the primary agricultural products and processed foods, such as grain, vegetables, fruits, dairy products, poultry products, aquatic products, beverage, seasonings, and etc.
- b) Organic feeds: plant feeds, poultry feeds.
- c) Organic textiles: cotton, linen, silk, bamboo fiber textile products.

At present, organic foods make up the majority of the organic products. Organic foods are the foods that are considered environmental friendly due to the fact that no synthetic substances such as pesticides, fertilizers, hormones and etc. are used in their production and processing. Organic foods, together with green foods and pollution-free foods, compose the China's Safe Food Structure.

Through comprehensive analysis to the demand trend of developed countries and gradual growth trend of the domestic market in the future, the organic foods will undoubtedly have a broad market prospects. Therefore, by adopting organic certification, you can improve the market competitiveness of your company, improving the added value of your products. At the same time, you can also greatly enhance your company's image in the mind of the consumers by providing healthy and safe, environmentally friendly organic foods to the society.

Certified organic product will have national organic certification mark with unique number (organic code) on its smallest product packaging and its certification info will be made available on national official authoritative websites.

## **Basic Requirements for Certification of Organic Products**

### **I) Requirements for Bases**

The production bases should have not used any prohibitive substances such as pesticides or fertilizers. Seeds or sprouts should have not been modified by genetic technologies. The production base should have established long-term soil fertilizer, plant protection, crop rotation and poultry breeding plans. The production base should have no soil and wind erosions or any other types of environment problems. Crops should avoid contamination during their harvesting, cleaning, drying, storage and transportation processes. There must have complete quality control and record tracking systems in production and circulation processes and must have detailed production and sales record files.

### **II) Basic Requirements for Processing and Trade**

Raw materials should come from materials having organic certificate or from nature products. 95% or more materials of the final products must come from materials having organic certificate. Only natural spices, colorings, condiments or other secondary enhancement substances or substances that comply with the organic certification standards are allowed. No synthetic additives are allowed. Organic products can not be exposed to contamination during their production, processing, storage and transportation. The whole process of the processing and trade must have complete records, including the relevant invoices.

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- ◆ CQC is one of the drafter of GB/T19630 national standards and national organic products certified organic inspector training materials.
- ◆ CQC organic product certification covers all accredited areas of cultivation, breeding and processing.
- ◆ CQC has organic certification system meeting the international standards and world-class organic certification specialists. It provides standardized, professional, quality and value-added certification services to domestic companies or abroad making agriculture products and foods.