New Jersey Department of Agriculture



Organic Certification Program

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Producer Fee Schedule

Farm Gross Income (from certified organic products)	First Time Applicant Fee	Annual Update Fee
0 to \$4,999	\$285	\$235
\$5,000 to \$9,999	\$385	\$335
\$10,000 to \$24,999	\$410	\$360
\$25,000 to \$49,999	\$435	\$385
\$50,000 to \$99,999	\$460	\$410
\$100,000 to \$149,999	\$510	\$460
\$150,000 to \$199,999	\$560	\$510
\$200,000 to \$249,999	\$635	\$585
\$250,000 to \$299,999	\$710	\$660
\$300,000 to \$399,999	\$785	\$735
\$400,000 to \$499,999	\$885	\$835
\$500,000 to \$749,999	\$1010	\$960
\$750,000 to \$999,999	\$1,210	\$1160
over \$999,999	\$1,210 + .25 % of gross organic sales over \$999,999	\$1,210 + .25 % of gross organic sales over \$999,999

Additional Charges (if applicable):

Late Fees: Operations with updates not received by NJDA by COB of the due date will be charged a \$75.00 late fee.

NOTE: Basic inspection charges are included with fees above. Applicants and updating operations may be invoiced for the following charges if applicable. Do not include payment for these charges with your application or update fee; a separate invoice will be sent if necessary.

<u>Inspection Cancellation Fee</u>: If a scheduled inspection is cancelled by the applicant less than 48 hours in advance, a \$50.00 cancellation fee plus mileage charges, tolls, and inspector driving time (at \$25.00 per hour).

A Returned Check Fee: of \$25.00 will be charged for all returned checks.

Dairy Operation Fee: \$150.00 for all dairy operations with 10 or more animals producing salable organic product.

<u>Livestock Fee</u>: not to exceed \$50.00 per species for each species seeking certification.

<u>On-Farm Processing Fee</u>: Producers doing value added products may qualify for On-Farm Processing certification. Additional inspection charges may apply, but will be lower than charges for a separate Handling certification. Please call the Supervisor for an On-Farm Processing form if needed.

Additional Site Fees: \$40.00 per each additional organic production area will be assessed if site is within ten miles of the main operation. If additional sites are greater than ten miles, \$25.00 per hour driving time will be added to the additional site fee. Driving time will be charged in increments of one quarter of an hour and rounded off to the nearest one-quarter of an hour.

First-time applicants who purchased an application package may apply a \$25 credit against their certification fees. Fees must be submitted in full with your application unless noted above. Complete and return the Submitted Producer's Fee form.

- Applicants who withdraw their application BEFORE the content assessment has taken place will be remitted their certification fees, minus the application order fee. Once a content assessment has taken place, applicants are not eligible for refunds of fees. Withdraw requests must be made in writing to the NJDA Organic Certification Program.
- New applicant's certification fees are based upon **projected** gross sales from certified fields, livestock and facilities.
- Annual update fees are based upon the previous year's **actual** gross sales from certified fields, livestock, and facilities. The Supervisor of the Organic Certification Program may request to see your most recent IRS 1040 Schedule F (Profit and Losses from Farming) or other proof of farm receipts.