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1 Aim

This policy establishes minimum requirements for the usage of organic terms and various conditions related to the usage of certification marks /logos and labelling requirements of organic products as per specific schemes.

2 Background

This document provides an overview of labelling requirements for organic products, addressing especially the "India Organic", "USDA Organic", "Biologique Canada" and "EU Organic" logo. Regardless of which standard a product is certified to, organic products must meet the labelling requirements of the country in which they are sold. Different countries also have different rules for using their organic logos.

3 Normative framework

3.1 | NPOP

3.5: Organic Food Processing And Handling

3.5.7 Labelling

3.5.7.1 Labelling Requirements:

- (i) Labelling shall convey clear and accurate information on the organic status of the product.
- (ii) When the full standards requirements are fulfilled, products shall be sold as "produce of organic agriculture" or a similar description.
- (iii) The label for conversion products shall be clearly distinguishable from the label for organic products by mentioning the year of conversion.
- (iv) The name and address of the person or company legally responsible for the production or processing of the product shall be mentioned on the label. If private labelling requirements are covered in the National Regulation of the importing country, the Certification Body shall approve the labels following such requirements for export to respective country ensuring that traceability of the product can be established at any stage of handling. However, the export of private labelled products undertaken through recognition agreement with the importing country shall follow the validity and scope of agreement.

Notwithstanding the above, the requirements prescribed under Regulation 3.5.7.2 shall be complied with.

- (v) Product labels should list processing procedures, which influence the product properties in a way not immediately obvious. All components of additives and processing aids shall be declared.
- (vi) Additional product information shall be made available on request.
- (vii)Ingredients or products derived from wild production shall be declared as such.

3.5.7.2 Processed products

(i) Organic

-For Single Ingredient

(ii) Certified Organic/Organic

-For Multi-ingredient: >95% ingredients, including additives are of organic Origin.

-Should carry the Logo of Certification programme



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(iii) "made with organic ingredients"

• Less than 95% and more than 70%

The word "organic" may be used on the principal display in statements like "made with organic ingredients" provided there is a clear statement of the proportion of the organic ingredients. An indication that the product is covered by the certification programme should be used, close to the indication of proportion of organic ingredients.

(iv) Less than 70% Organic Content

• The indication that an ingredient is organic may appear in the ingredients list. Such product may not be called "organic".

Declaration of ingredients

- Added water and salt not to be considered in % calculation of organic ingredients. For aquaculture products the use of iodized salt shall be referred on the labels.
- All raw materials shall be listed in order of their weight %
- Herbs and spices constituting less than 2% shall be listed as spices or herbs.
- Organic products shall not be labelled as Genetic Engineering (GE) or Genetic modifications (GM) free. Any reference to GM/GE free shall be limited to production methods on product labels.

Chapter 7: Organic Certification Mark

7.1 Introduction: The Trademark "India Organic" is owned by the Government of India. License to use the "India Organic" Logo will be granted to such producers, manufacturers, processors, and exporters whose products are duly certified by the Certification Bodies under NPOP. The use of the "India Organic" Logo shall be governed by Regulations prescribed/notified herein.

7.2 India Organic Logo

i. The India Organic Logo under National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) is given below:



The Indian Organic Logo must comprise of the colour specifications listed below:-









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ii. The India Organic Logo under NPOP may also be used in black and white as given below, as an exception at the primary production level only and under circumstances where it is not feasible to apply it in colour:



- iii. For use of India Organic Logo in black and white, prior written permission will be sought from the Certification Body stating clearly the justification for such request.
- iv. The India Organic Logo in Black and White shall be used only at the primary production level and for those products and scope for which permission has been granted in writing.
- Every application for the grant of a licence to use the Certification Trademark shall be made to the Accredited Certification Body on Form 1 prescribed in the NPOP from time to time.
- If, after having regard to requisite skill, resources, production, processing previous performance and antecedents relevant to the issuance of the licence, the Accredited Certification Body, is satisfied that the applicant is fit to use the Certification Trade Mark, the Accredited Certification Body shall grant a license in Form 2 authorizing the use of the Certification Trade Mark in respect of the product or class of products manufactured by the applicant in respect of the process employed in any production, manufacture or work, subject to such terms and conditions as specified in these regulations.
- A license shall be granted on Form 2 prescribed in the NPOP from time to time for a period of one year and a declaration by licensee shall be given on Form 3.

3.2 **NOP**

Summarising Labelling Requirements under NOP-USDA Regulations.

205.300 Use of the term "organic"

The use of the term "organic" and its derivations is only allowed for use on certified organic products and ingredients. This applies to all products comprised of agricultural products, regardless of end use. For products sold as organic in the United States, the products must be produced in compliance with the NOP regulations and certified by a NOP-accredited certifying agent or produced in compliance with an equivalency agreement.

Organic products destined for sale in countries outside of the U.S. may be produced and labelled according to the receiving country's standards as long as they are clearly labelled for export only.

Product Composition

(i) 100% **Organic**

-All agricultural ingredients and processing aids must be organic.

(ii) Organic

-95% of product must be certified organic agricultural products.



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(iii) Made with Organic [specified ingredients or food groups]

-At least 70% certified organic

(iv) Less than 70% organic

-Only use "organic" on ingredient statement.

(i) A. 100% Organic

Products labelled as 100% organic may only contain certified organic agricultural ingredients. All processing aids, such as flocculants or filters, must be certified organic ingredients.

B. 100% Organic Content

May say "100% Organic" or "Organic"

- •May use NOP seal
- •May display ADITI logo
- -Not more prominent than NOP seal
- •May make percentage claim
- -Note size restriction
- •May display other ADITI seals
- -Records must be available

Note: The size of the percentage statement must not exceed one-half the size of the largest type size on the panel on which the statement is displayed and must appear in its entirety in the same type size, style, and color without highlighting.

(ii) Organic

Products labelled as "Organic" must contain at least 95% certified organic agricultural ingredients. The remaining 5% may be non-organic agricultural ingredients from 205.606 that are not commercially available in organic form or non-agricultural or synthetic ingredients from 205.605 No GMO, sewage sludge, or irradiation.

95% or more Organic Content

May say "Organic"

- May make a percentage statement
 - -Percentage statement must not exceed ½ the size of the largest type on the panel.
 - -Must be entirely the same type, style, size, and color, without highlighting

(iii) Made with Organic [specific food groups or ingredients]

Products labelled as "Made with Organic [specific food groups or ingredients] must contain at least 70% certified organic agricultural ingredients (excluding salt and water).

Remaining 30% ingredients may be

- -Non-organic agricultural ingredients
- -Non-agricultural, non-organic ingredients from 205.605 of the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances produced without GMO, sewage sludge, or irradiation.

On the Principal display:

- May state "made with organic (insert up to three ingredients or ingredient categories)."
- -May make a percentage statement
- -Percentage statement must not exceed ½ the size of the largest type on the panel.
- -Must be entirely the same type, style, size, and color, without highlighting.
- -Must not include USDA organic seal anywhere, represent finished product as organic, or state "made with organic ingredients."
- -Information panel: Must identify organic ingredients (e.g., organic dill) or via asterisk or other mark.



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(iv) <70% Organic Ingredients (excluding salt and water)

-Must not include USDA organic seal anywhere or the word "organic" on principal display panel

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-May only list certified organic ingredients as organic in the ingredient list and the percentage of organic ingredients. Remaining ingredients are not required to follow the USDA organic regulations.

Ingredient Statement

- -Each ingredient used in the product must be included in the ingredient statement on the container's information panel. Organic ingredients must be identified as being organic.
- -As an option, an asterisk (*) may be used to identify organically produced ingredient.
- -It is permissible to make mandatory allergy warning statements as shown in this example.

Mandatory Information

Name of Certifier

"Certified organic by Aditi Organic Certifications Pvt. Ltd." or similar phrase must appear on the information panel below information identifying the handler or distributor of the finished product. Certified products may use the ADITI's logo to meet this requirement if the seal states "certified by..."

205.306 Livestock Feed

May display:

- "100% Organic" or "Organic
- -USDA Seal
- -Mark of certifying agent
- •Not more prominently than NOP seal
- -The term "organic" to identify organic ingredients
- •Must display "Certified organic by [ADITI]
- •Must comply with other Federal and State feed labelling requirements.

205.307 Non-retail Containers

- •Must display:
- -Production or lot number
- -Information must be traceable to documentation supporting the organic status of the product
- •May Display
- -Name and contact information of Certifier.
- -Organic designation
- -Handling instructions to maintain organic integrity
- -NOP seal
- -ADITI seal
- -Production or lot number

205.307(c) Export Containers

- •May be labelled to meet destination country's requirements.
- •Shipping containers and documents must display:
- -"For Export Only"
- •Handler must maintain export and marking records.

205.308 Unpackaged Retail

- 1) May label as "100% Organic" or "Organic"
- -Retail displays
- -Labelling
- -Display containers
- •Organic content must be identified in ingredient statement
- •If facility is certified, they may display:



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- -Certified organic
- –Use the NOP seal
- -ADITI seal

205.309 Made with Organic" retail displays

- –Must not list more than 3 ingredients or food groups.
- -Organic ingredients in ingredient statement must be labelled as organic.
- -If prepared in a certified facility, retail displays, display containers and market information may display the ADITI's seal, logo, or identifying mark.

205.310 Exempt or Excluded Operations

- •Products produced on exempt or excluded operations must not:
- -Display NOP seal or ADITI's seal or other identifying mark.
- -Be represented as certified organic or containing organic ingredients.
- •May be represented as organic by the exempt operation
- •May not be represented as organic by others.

USDA Seal §205.311

- b) The USDA seal must replicate the form and design of the example in figure 1 and must be printed legibly and conspicuously:
- (1) On a white background with a brown outer circle and with the term, "USDA," in green overlaying a white upper semicircle and with the term, "organic," in white overlaying the green lower half circle; or
- (2) On a white or transparent background with black outer circle and black "USDA" on a white or transparent upper half of the circle with a contrasting white or transparent "organic" on the black lower half circle.
- (3) The green or black lower half circle may have four light lines running from left to right and disappearing at the point on the right horizon to resemble a cultivated field.





3.3 COS-CAN/CGSB-32.310-2020

3.3.1 Organic claims on food labels Use of the organic logo on organic products

The CFIA regulates the use of the Canada organic logo below (Figure 1). The use of the organic logo is only permitted on products that have an organic content that is greater than or equal to 95% and have been certified according to the requirements of the Canada Organic Regime. The use of the organic logo is voluntary but when used it is subject to the requirements of the SFCR [359(1), SFCR].



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The logo is displayed in either black with a white background, in black with a transparent background or in colour. If displayed in colour, the background is white or transparent, the outer and inner borders are green (Pantone no. 368), the maple leaf is red (Pantone no. 186) and the lettering is black [Schedule 9, SFCR].

Imported products must meet the requirements of the Canada Organic Regime. Imported

products that bear the logo must include: the statement "Product of", immediately preceding the name of the country of origin, or the statement "Imported", in close proximity to the logo

These statements in addition to the Net quantity symbols must appear on the label in both French and English, unless the food commodity is a <u>feed</u>, <u>seed</u>, or a bilingual labelling exemption applies [354(d), 355(3), SFCR]. Certain voluntary information, when added to labels or advertisements, is subject to additional regulatory requirements and must be presented bilingually. These are:

- Organic claims:eg. "Organic" in Engligh, "biologique" in French
- Nutrient content claims: eg., "9 g Fat per 1 bowl (283 g)" in English, "9 g de lipides pour 1 bol (283 g)" in French
- Additional nutritional information: eg., "Sugar Alcohols" in English, "Polyalcools" in French
- <u>Health claims</u>: eg., "Does not promote tooth decay" is used in English, the same claim "Ne favorise pas la carie dentaire" must be made in French

Exemptions of bilingual labelling:

- Feed: any substance or mixture of substances containing amino acids, anti-oxidants, carbohydrates, condiments, enzymes, fats, minerals, non-protein nitrogen products, proteins or vitamins, or pelletizing, colouring, foaming or flavouring agents and any other substance manufactured, sold or represented for use
 - i. for consumption by livestock,
 - ii. for providing the nutritional requirements of livestock, or
 - iii. for the purpose of preventing or correcting nutritional disorders of livestock,

or any substance for use in any such substance or mixture of substances.

- Seed: means any plant part of any species belonging to the plant kingdom, represented, sold or used to grow a plant.
- **Shipping containers**: destined for industrial enterprises or institutions are generally exempt from bilingual labelling, provided they are not resold to consumers at retail, and all mandatory information is provided in at least one official language.
- Information on the labels of the following foods may be in 1 official language only, when they meet the definitions and specific conditions outlined in the text that follows: specialty foods [B.01.012(7), FDR; 205(2), 206(1), SFCR], local foods [B.01.012(1), FDR; 207(c), SFCR], and test market foods.

9.2 Categorization of organic products

Based on the percentage of their organic ingredients, organic products fall into two categories:

9.2.1 95% organic content (or more)

Such products may not contain an ingredient in both organic and non-organic form.

9.2.2 70-95% organic content

Such products may not contain an ingredient in both its organic and non-organic form.

C.7.1 The CB shall not issue a certificate for any multi-ingredient organic product unless it verifies that the organic ingredients used in the product formulation have been certified as organic in accordance with part 13 of the SFCR by a CFIA accredited CB or to the terms of an organic equivalence arrangement by a CB accredited under the existing organic equivalency arrangements.



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United States-Canada Organic Equivalence Arrangement (USCOEA): All organic products covered by this arrangement and imported into the U.S. must comply with USDA organic labelling regulations. For more information:https://www.ams.usda.gov/rules-regulations/organic/labeling

Use of the USDA organic seal is voluntary. Its use on the label or in the advertisement of an organic product, either alone or with the Canada organic logo, is permitted provided the organic content of the product is 95% or greater.

Annex A (informative)

Categorization of organic products

Table A.1 – Categorization of organic products based on their percentage of organic ingredients

	Categories		
Summary	95%a	70-95% b	<70%c
	(or more)	(or more)	
May not contain an ingredient in both its organic and non-	✓	✓	
organic form.			
May contain up to 5% non-organic ingredients if the	✓		
organic form is not commercially available.			
May contain up to 30% non-organic ingredients.		✓	
May contain less than 70% organic ingredients.			✓
Non-organic ingredients both "classified as food	✓	✓	
additives", and "not classified as food additives," shall be			
listed in Tables 6.3 and 6.4 of CAN/CGSB-32.311, meet			
the specified annotations and comply with 6.2 of			
CAN/CGSB-32.311.			
Whether listed or not in Tables 6.3 and 6.4 of CAN/CGSB-	✓	✓	
32.311, agricultural, non-organic ingredients shall meet 1.4			
a), c) and h), and 6.2 of CAN/CGSB-32.311.			
Non-listed agricultural, non-organic ingredients are subject	✓		
to commercially availability requirements			
Non-organic processing aids of agricultural origin are	✓	✓	
permitted, subject to the requirements of 1.4 a), b), c), and			
h); and any annotations listed in Table 6.5 of CAN/CGSB-			
32.311.			
Non-agricultural processing aids are permitted if they are	✓	✓	
listed in Table 6.5 (processing aids) of CAN/CGSB-32.311.			

- a Products compliant with 9.2.1 may be identified as organic.
- B Products compliant with 9.2.2 may only declare the percentage of organic ingredients.
- C Products with less than 70% organic content may identify which ingredients are organic in their ingredient list. For full labelling requirements refer to current regulations

3.3.2

Guide to Organic Labelling in Canada.

What is organic?

Only products with 95% or more organic content may carry the Canadian Organic Logo.

Having the logo is not mandatory, but it is a trusted symbol that is helpful for consumers. There are no restrictions as to size or location of the logo on your label.

Obtaining the Canada Organic logo for your Product:

You must obtain the Canada Organic logo from Certification Bodies accredited by the CFIA or Certification Bodies recognized under an organic trade arrangement with a foreign competent authority.

Using the Canada Organic logo for Imported Products:

Imported products carrying the Canada Organic logo on their labels or PLU stickers must indicate 'product of' immediately preceding the name of the country of origin, or the statement 'imported' in



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close proximity to the logo. NB: If you are looking to use the logo for purposes other than labelling a product, you must request permission from the CFIA.

Name of certification body

The product must be certified by a CFIA-accredited Certification Body and the name of that certifier MUST appear on the label.

The name of the Certifying Body can appear anywhere on the product, including the front label, except the bottom of the container. Minimum type size for the certifier's name is 1.6mm based on the lower-case letter "o".

If an organic claim is made on a PLU sticker, the name of the Certification Body must also appear on the PLU.

The statement "Certified Organic" is not acceptable, only "Certified by X Certifying Body" is acceptable. This may seem minor, but if products are labelled 'Certified Organic' and others are not, it may lead the consumer to believe only products claiming to be 'Certified Organic' are certified.

Organic claims for multi-ingredient products

Products with 95% or greater organic content: Multiple-ingredient products greater than or equal to 95% may be labelled as organic and may display the Canada Organic logo.

Only products with 95% or greater organic content may label or advertise using the words:

- Organic.
- Organically grown.
- Organically raised
- Organically produced.

Or similar words including abbreviations of, symbols for, or phonetic renderings of those words. There is no limit to print size or font for these statements.

A maximum of 5% of non-organic ingredients may be used only if not commercially available in organic form. The cost of organic ingredient(s) is not a criterion for 'commercially available'. You cannot claim that the product is '100% organic' under the Organic Product Regulations (OPR). Though, you may see the '100% organic' claim on a US certified product. You can say the product is "98% organic" if that claim is true, but it must be verifiable.

Multi-ingredient products with 70-95% organic content: These products may carry the declaration "Contains XX% organic ingredients," with the percentage rounded down to the nearest whole number. All numbers, signs or symbols in this declaration must be of the same size and prominence. Minimum print size is 1.6mm, based on the lowercase letter "o". There is no maximum print size. The declaration can appear on any panel, including the front panel. They must identify the organic ingredients in the list of ingredients. Unlike in the 95% or greater organic category, non-organic ingredients may be used (even if there is a commercially available organic alternative). However, the use of organic and non-organic versions of the same ingredient is not permitted.

Must be certified by a CFIA-accredited Certification Body and the certifier's name must appear on any label or PLU making an organic claim.

Multi-ingredient products with less than 70% organic content:

May only carry organic claims in the product's ingredient list.



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May NOT be labelled as 'organic' or carry the Canada Organic logo. These products do not require certification.

However, the organic ingredients contained within these products must be certified, and the manufacturer must keep records identifying the certifier.

Determining the percentage of organic Ingredients

The percentage of organic content in a multi-ingredient product is determined in accordance with the Canadian Organic Standards (CAN/CGSB32.310) which are incorporated into law by reference in the OPR.

Only single ingredient products can be used to determine the percentage of organic content in a multiingredient product.

For example, all the multi-ingredient products making up organic bread must be broken down into their component ingredients to calculate the product's final percentage of organic content. Organic bread could contain a four-grain mix, with some grains organic, some not however this would not be used to determine the percentage. The four-grain mix must be broken down into individual grains - barley, oat, rye and spelt.

It gets trickier: Solid Products: Divide the total net mass of combined organic ingredients in the formulation or finished product, whichever is more relevant, by the total mass of all ingredients.

Liquid Products: Divide the fluid volume of all organic ingredients by the fluid volume of all ingredients if the product and ingredients are liquid. If the liquid product is identified on the principal display panel as reconstituted from concentrates or by similar phrases, the calculation uses the singlestrength concentrations of the ingredients or finished product.

Solid and Liquid Products: Divide the combined mass of solid organic ingredients and the mass of the liquid organic ingredients by the total mass of all ingredients in the finished product.

Livestock feed: If you are producing livestock feed, it must contain 100% organic agricultural ingredients and the necessary feed additives or supplements (see s. 5.2 of CAN/CGSB32.311). Divide the total net mass (excluding calcium compounds) of combined organic ingredients in the formulation or finished product, whichever is more relevant, by the total mass (excluding calcium compounds) of all ingredients.

NB: For the purposes of calculating ingredients, water and salt are not included.

India, as a third country, does not have a direct organic equivalency arrangement with Canada. Indian operators exporting organic products to Canada must obtain certification through a Canada-accredited Certification Body (COR) or via the US-Canada Organic Equivalency Arrangement (USCOEA). All exported products must comply with the Canada Organic Regime (COR) requirements, and documentation such as a Canada Organic Certificate or Transaction Certificate must accompany the shipment to demonstrate compliance. Depending on the type of documentation used, this statement may appear on the organic certificate, transaction certificate, bill of lading, or purchase order.

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Article 11.3. Operators may assume that no GMOs and no products produced from GMOs have been used in the manufacture of purchased food and feed, where such products do not have a label affixed or are not accompanied by a document provided, pursuant to Directive 2001/18/EC, Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (¹) or Regulation (EC) No 1830/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (²), unless they have obtained other information of nonconformity with those legal acts with respect to the labelling of the products.

Chapter IV Article 30 Use of terms referring to organic production

- 1. Products bearing terms referring to organic in the labelling, advertising material or commercial documents must describe the terms suggesting to the purchaser that its ingredients or feed materials have been produced in accordance with this Regulation. In particular, the terms listed in Annex IV and their derivatives and diminutives, such as 'bio' and 'eco', whether alone or in combination, may be used throughout the Union and in any language listed in that Annex for the labelling and advertising of live or unprocessed agricultural products (including seeds and other plant reproductive material), processed agricultural products for use as food and feed which comply with this Regulation and the same cannot be used if those products does not comply with this regulation.
- 2. Any terms including terms used in trademarks or company names, or practices shall not be used in labelling or advertising if they are liable to mislead the consumer or user by suggesting that a product or its ingredients comply with this Regulation.
- 3. Products that have been produced during the conversion period shall not be labelled or advertised as organic products or as in-conversion products.

However, plant reproductive material, food products of plant origin and feed products of plant origin that have been produced during the conversion period, which comply with the minimum conversion requirements and single agriculture ingredient may be labelled and advertised as in-conversion products by using the term 'in-conversion' or a corresponding term, together with their derivatives and diminutives, such as 'bio' and 'eco'

- 4. The terms "organic", "in-conversion products" along with their derivatives and diminutives, such as 'bio' and 'eco' shall not be used for a product for which Union law requires the labelling or advertising to state that the product contains GMOs, consists of GMOs or is produced from GMOs.
- 5. For processed food, the term "organic" along with their derivatives and diminutives, such as 'bio' and 'eco' may be used:
 - (a) in the sales description, and in the list of ingredients where such a list is mandatory pursuant to Union legislation, provided that:
 - (i) the processed food complies with the production rules set out in Part IV of Annex II and with the rules laid down in accordance with Article 16(3).



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(ii) at least 95 % of the agricultural ingredients of the product by weight are organic; and

(iii) in the case of flavourings, they are only used for natural flavouring substances and natural flavouring preparations labelled in accordance with Article 16(2), (3) and (4) of Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 and all of the flavouring components and carriers of flavouring components in the flavouring concerned are organic.

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(b) only in the list of ingredients, provided that:

(i) less than 95 % of the agricultural ingredients of the product by weight are organic, and provided that those ingredients comply with the production rules set out in this Regulation; and (ii) the processed food complies with the production rules related to measures to distinguish organic, inconversion and conventional through the process, composition and use of authorized food additives, processing aids and non-organic agricultural ingredients which are set out in points 1.5, 2.1(a), 2.1(b) and 2.2.1 of Part IV of Annex II along with the rules laid down in accordance with Article 16(3);

(c) in the sales description and in the list of ingredients, provided that:

(i) the main ingredient is a product of hunting or fishing.

(ii) the term referred to in paragraph 1 is clearly related in the sales description to another ingredient which is organic and different from the main ingredient.

(iii) all other agricultural ingredients are organic

(iv) the food complies with points 1.5, 2.1(a), 2.1(b) and 2.2.1 of Part IV of Annex II and with the rules laid down in accordance with Article 16(3).

The list of ingredients referred to in points (a), (b) and (c) of the first subparagraph shall indicate which ingredients are organic. The references to organic production may only appear in relation to the organic ingredients.

The list of ingredients referred to in points (b) and (c) of the first subparagraph shall include an indication of the total percentage of organic ingredients in proportion to the total quantity of agricultural ingredients.

The terms referred to in paragraph 1, when used in the list of ingredients referred to in points (a), (b), and (c) of the first subparagraph of this paragraph, and the indication of the percentage referred to in the third subparagraph of this paragraph shall appear in the same colour, identical size and style of lettering as the other indications in the list of ingredients.

6. For processed feed, the terms "organic" along with their derivatives and diminutives, such as 'bio' and 'eco' may be used in the sales description and in the list of ingredients, provided that:

(a) the processed feed complies with the production rules set out in Parts II, III and V of Annex II and with the specific rules laid down in accordance with Article 16(3)

(b) all of the ingredients of agricultural origin that are contained in the processed feed are organic



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(c) at least 95 % of the dry matter of the product are organic.

- 7. The Commission is empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 54 amending:
 - (a) this Article by adding further rules on the labelling of products listed in Annex I, or by amending those added rules
 - (b) the list of terms set out in Annex IV, considering linguistic developments within the Member States.
- 8. The Commission may adopt implementing acts to set detailed requirements for the application of paragraph 3 of this Article.

Those implementing acts shall be adopted in accordance with the examination procedure referred to in Article 55(2)

3.5 Usage of ADITI Logo



Description of Aditi logo

CONCEPT OF ADITI LOGO

Outer ring symbolise earth and cosmic forces represented by the orange colour. It also indicates the soil biodiversity, both flora and fauna protected. The inner grass blades with green represents healthy plants grown in environment friendly ecosystem. It indicates approval status of the product. The orange dot authenticates "Organic" nature of the finished product with full of pure nature's energy.

SPECIFICATIONS of Logo

The Aditi's Logo must comprise of the colour specifications listed below:

Orange	Green
C-0	C – 100
M - 60	M - 60
Y - 80	Y – 100
K-0	K-0

ADITI Accreditation number, shall accompany ADITI logo for approved organic products, intended for Export to different countries.

- NPOP being NPOP/NAB/0017 (Domestic sale in India and Export to US and other countries based on equivalence)
- EU being IN-ORG-001 (NPOP certified unprocessed product categories to the EU)

3.6 Summary of the Bio Suisse Standards

Information note for operations outside of Switzerland (version 01/2024)

15. Trade and declaration

- Bio Suisse only recognizes products that are transported by land or by sea.
- BIOSUISSE ORGANIC products that are destined to be imported to Switzerland must have the
 phrase 'BIOSUISSE ORGANIC' or the 'BIOSUISSE ORGANIC' logo (see below) on containers,
 delivery notes, invoices, etc. Containers for export must carry the logo. Templates of the logo may
 be downloaded from the Bio Suisse website.
- The Bud trademark is protected by copyright. Neither the trademark nor the Bud designation may be used by BIOSUISSE ORGANIC certified operations.
- BIOSUISSE ORGANIC products must always be clearly identifiable in the physical flow of goods and in bookkeeping.



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• The Bio Suisse 'Bud' may not be used by operations outside of Switzerland in any way (not even on their website). Instead, they can use the BIOSUISSE ORGANIC logo. Bio Suisse logos may only be used by Swiss companies (which have concluded a trademark license agreement with Bio Suisse). Operations outside of Switzerland may only use the logo when commissioned to place it on final packaging by a Swiss licensee. (*CL*, section 9.5)

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3.7 Naturland Standards



- 1. Production (Part B): For all commercialized certified goods, the licensee is indicating the Naturland certification of these goods on all business documents (invoices, bill of sale, shipping order etc.) Labelling with the Naturland logo of the harvested or processed products is according to Naturland Standards
- 2. Processing (Part C): End consumer labels/packaging and promotion material (flyer, letter paper, etc.) referring to Naturland have been approved by the Naturland Zeichen GmbH. A written confirmation for the logo use by Naturland Zeichen GmbH is available and is not older than 5 years. Labels which have been approved more than 5 years ago, shall be sent with the inspection report (Please note that this confirmation is different from the product application approval which is issued by the Naturland Certification Committee.)

4 Terms

Labelling: Display of information about a product on its container, packaging, or the product itself. It shall convey clear and accurate information on the organic status of the product.

5 Policy

As a minimum, ADITI will implement the above-mentioned requirement: The label must allow to identify the entity responsible for the product (producer or trader) along with Certifier and the accreditation number. Ingredients which are used in multi-ingredient product recipes are to be checked for their organic origin (Supplier certificates/Equivalency conditions of the certificate/relevant certifier accreditation)

ADITI will keep a record of all licensees or authorized users who are permitted to use the Certification Trademark in the format F 4.5.20. Each license application received by the Certification Body will be given a number based on the order it was received and will be acknowledged. Reference to "organic".

It is highly recommended to identify the product as "organic" e.g., organic cashew kernels or 100% organic cashew kernels (NOP). The operator must submit the drafted label (on product or off product/publications) for ADITI's review/approval before printing. Product specification form (4.5.12) has to be submitted for each multiple ingredients' product. Any change in the percentage or ingredient usage must be communicated to ADITI.

6 Related Documents

- INF 3.2.24 Brief Information Organic labelling and Use of Certification Mark
- F 4.5.12 Product Specification form
- F 4.5.5.12B FORM 1-Application Form for Label Certification Trademark
- F 4.5.5.12C FORM 2-Grant to Use Organic Logo Certification Trademark
- F 4.5.5.12A_FORM 3-Declaration for India Organic logo
- F 4.5.5.12 Assessment label India Organic



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		 F 4.5.20_List of Licensee and Approved Labels F 4.5.19_Format for Private Label Agreement
7	Access to this policy	 This policy is available to all interested public. It must be handed out to all ADITI certification and inspection personnel
	poncy	• It must be handed out to all post-harvest handlers interested in certification

Revision history:

Revision date	Version	Description of Changes
10/09/2020	03	Normative Framework, background-section has been modified as per relevant standards.
09/11/2022	04	Normative framework updated as per the relative standards of EU
19/11/2022	05	Added 'EU Organic" in section 2 Updated clauses for NPOP, NOP and COS in Normative framework section.
16/03/2023	06	Updated the IndG.A.P. requirements
27/11/2024	07	Updated the requirements of COS/COR, Bio Suisse and Naturland
23/04/2025	08	Updated the policy with chapter no.3.5 and 7 as per the new NPOP standard 8 th edition and removed IndGAP requirements.
07/10/2025	09	Removed the references to COS equivalency arrangements not applicable to third countries like India.