



EXPORTING ORGANIC PRODUCTS FROM THE U.S.

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CANADA

USDA organic products produced worldwide can be sold as organic in Canada (effective June 30, 2009).

Terms of the Arrangement. To trade products under the partnership, certified operations must:

- Produce products without sodium nitrate or hydroponic/aeroponic methods.
- Produce livestock (except ruminants) according to specified stocking rates.
- Ship products with documentation that states, "Certified in compliance with the terms of the US-Canada Organic Equivalency Arrangement."

Exclusions to the U.S./Canada Equivalence Arrangement:

- Products outside the scope of the Canadian Organic Regime, such as pet food, personal care products, and aquaculture products (nori, spirulina, chlorella, kelp) may not be exported from the United States to Canada under this equivalence arrangement.
- NOP-certified products outside the scope of COR may be sold in Canada as NOP certified without additional verification. In these cases reference to COR is prohibited.

Labeling Requirements. For packaged retail products, labels or stickers must state the name of the USDA-authorized certifier and may use the USDA organic seal and/or the Canada organic logo. Additionally, all product labels must be in English and French.

EUROPEAN UNION (EU)

USDA organic products can be sold as organic in the EU (effective June 1, 2012).

Products must be either produced or have had final processing or packaging occur within the U.S.

Terms of the Arrangement. To export products under the partnership, certified operations must:

- Produce crops without antibiotics.
- Meet additional specifications for wine.
- Ship products with an **EU import certificate**, reviewed and signed by a USDA -authorized certifier.

Labeling Requirements. For packaged retail products, labels or stickers must state the name of the USDA-authorized certifier and may use the USDA organic seal and/or the EU organic logo.

JAPAN

USDA organic plants, fungi, and plant-based processed products (such as grape juice or corn meal) can be sold as organic in Japan (effective January 1, 2014).

Products must be either produced or have had final processing or packaging occur within the U.S.

Terms of the Arrangement. To trade plants, fungi, and plant-based products under the partnership, certified operations must:

- Ship products with an **export certificate** (TM-11), reviewed and signed by a USDA-authorized certifier.

Labeling Requirements. For packaged retail products, labels or stickers must state the name of the USDA-authorized certifier and may use the USDA organic seal. Use of the Japanese organic logo is required on plant and plant based products, and requires a Japanese Agricultural Standards (JAS)-authorized importer.

Other Products. Organic products not regulated by the JAS law - such as meat, dairy products, and alcoholic beverages - may also be exported to Japan. These products do not require an export certificate and may be labeled with the USDA organic seal (but not the Japanese organic logo).

KOREA

USDA organic "processed products" can be sold as organic in Korea (effective July 1, 2014).

Products must be either produced or have had final processing or packaging occur within the U.S.

Terms of the Arrangement. To export products under the partnership, certified operations must:

- Produce processed products without apples and pears produced with the use of antibiotics.
- Ship products with the NAQS Import Certificate of Organic Processed Foods reviewed and signed by a USDA - authorized certifier.

Labeling Requirements. For packaged retail processed products, labels or stickers must state the name of the USDA-authorized certifier and may use the USDA organic seal and/or the Korean organic logo.

Other Products. Korea's laws only allow organic equivalency arrangements to cover processed products. Other products, such as fresh cherries or broccoli, need to be certified to the Korean organic standards.

SWITZERLAND

USDA organic products can be sold as organic in Switzerland (effective July 10, 2015).

Products must be either produced or have had final processing or packaging occur within the U.S.

Terms of the Arrangement. To export products under the partnership, certified operations must:

- Meet additional specifications for wine.
- Ship products with an **Swiss import certificate**, reviewed and signed by a USDA -authorized certifier.

Labeling Requirements. For packaged retail products, labels or stickers must state the name of the USDA-authorized certifier and may use the USDA organic seal.

TAIWAN

USDA organic products produced and handled in the U.S. can be sold as organic in Taiwan (effective March 18, 2009).

Terms of the Arrangement. To export products under the partnership, certified operations must:

- Produce livestock without systemic pain killers.
- Ship products with an **export certificate** (TM-11), reviewed and signed by a USDA-authorized certifier. Documentation must also include required statements related to prohibited substances.

Labeling Requirements. For packaged retail products, labels or stickers must state the name of the USDA-authorized certifier and may use the USDA organic seal.