Certification fees for food businesses to Soil Association standards or organic regulations (in GB or NI)



Application fees are payable on application and cover your first year with us.

Annual fees are based on your total organic certified sales each year, and are payable on your annual renewal date.

Fees include your annual inspection and all core services throughout the year.

Certification fee	Fee	
Application fee – covering your first year with us	£1,010	
Annual renewal fee – organic certified sales of £280,556 and under,	£1,010	
Annual renewal fee – organic certified sales between £280,557 and £2,722,500	0.0036 multiplied by your organic certified sales	
Annual renewal fee – organic certified sales including and over £2,722,501	0.0036 multiplied by your organic certified sales for the first £2,722,500, plus	
	0.0018 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £2,722,501 and £5,049,000, plus	
	0.0012 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £5,049,001 and £26,084,300, plus	
	0.00036 multiplied by your organic certified sales over £26,084301	

Contracted storage or wholesale of <u>pre-packaged</u> organic food or drink products

If you store or wholesale certified organic products* that are fully packed and sealed, do not bear your company branding in any way, and are sourced from suppliers with Great Britain, the following fees will apply:

	Fee
Application/annual fee	£415
Inspection fee**	£595

* wholesaling licences are not required under GB or NI regulations for organic health and beauty or textile products

** frequency of inspections will be determined on a risk assessment basis

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If you are trading loose or unenclosed organic products, you will require a processing licence, but may qualify for a different fee structure, please ask for details when applying for your organic processing licence.

Abattoirs and butchers

To further support the Soil Association's animal welfare programme, we offer a reduced fee to abattoirs and butchers with certified organic sales of less than £165,278

	Fee
Application/annual fee	£595
Annual renewal fee – organic certified sales between £165,278 and £2,722,500	0.0036 multiplied by your organic certified sales
Annual renewal fee – organic certified sales including and over £2,722,501	0.0036 multiplied by your organic certified sales for the first £2,722,500, plus
	0.0018 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £2,722,501 and £5,049,000, plus
	0.0012 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £5,049,001 and £26,084,300, plus
	0.00036 multiplied by your organic certified sales over £26,084,301

Transferring from another certification body

We offer a discounted fee for businesses transferring from other certification bodies for the first year. This fee will be charged at the cost of inspection for the first year (see inspection fee in below table). Any additional sites requiring inspection during this period are not included in this fee. We can help you to easily transfer your UK organic certificate to Soil Association certification – please contact us for more information <u>https://www.soilassociation.org/certification/food-drink/get-in-touch/</u>.

Brandholders

	What to declare	
Brandholders who source fully-packed and	Please declare the purchase price paid to	
labelled products from non-SA certified suppliers,	your supplier – fees will be based on our	
sell retail only, and do not carry out purchase of	standard fee structure on page 1	
ingredients or manufacture		
Brandholders who purchase pre-packaged retail	If purchasing from SA certified suppliers	
products and sell them to other businesses,	declare the difference between your	
having not carried out any processing/labelling, and have not taken ownership of raw materials.	purchase and sales price	
and have not taken ownership of raw materials.	If purchasing from pap SA cortified	
	If purchasing from non-SA certified suppliers declare entire sales value - fees	
	will be based on our standard fee structure	
	on page 1	
Symbol User Agreement - Brandholders who	£330 on application and annually	
source fully-packed and labelled products from		

SA-certified suppliers, have the SA symbol applied to their products, sell direct to consumers only, and do not carry out purchase of ingredients or manufacture	
Contracted symbol users (subject to our agreement, your subcontracted manufacturers can apply the symbol to your products regardless of their certification body)	

Additional schemes	Fee	
Canadian Organic Regime (COR) standards	£1750	
Canadian Organic Regime (COR) Aquaculture Attestation of Compliance	£1750	
NOP (National Organic Programme)	Fees to be quoted on an individual basis	
JAS (Japanese Agricultural Standard) for exporting products to Japan	Fees to be quoted on an individual basis	
Inspection to Naturland standards	£1,010 payable direct to Naturland plus inspection fee quoted on an individual basis	
AB logo, for exporting products to France (optional use of an additional logo)	£100	
PWAB (US Export Checklist)	£240	
Inspection to Bio Suisse standards	£500	
Remote compliance inspection	£200	

BRCGS	Fee	
BRCGS audit and certification fee, with certification provided by 5* BRCGS certifier Kiwa PAI – for more information call us on 0117 914	£4,133 (includes up to two days/16hrs audit and all expenses)	
BRCGS audit and certification fee for BRCGS Storage & Distribution (S&D)	£3,716 (for a one day audit and <u>includes all</u> expenses)	
BRCGS Agents & Brokers standard only (A&B). Gluten Free Certification Programme (GFCP).	£3,251	
BRCGS voluntary modules (AVM audits) E.g., FSMA, Gluten Free, Meat Supply Chain	£965	
Additional half day (or part of) audit.	£996 (includes all expenses)	
Certificate extension fee.	£1,950	
Cancellation fee if cancelled within 28 days of agreed inspection date	£530 / day (plus any incurred travel and accommodation fees)	

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Additional inspections

If more than one day is required for annual inspection, or an additional inspection is required during the year, these are charged at £595.

Inspection cancellations

	Fee
Less than 10 working days' but more than 5	£297.50
working days' notice given	
Less than 5 working days' notice given	£595

We reserve the right to pass on travel costs already incurred when an inspection is cancelled with less than a month's notice.

Certification Fees for International Inspections

As a client on the Non-UK SA Only Processor scheme with an inspection address outside the United Kingdom you are expected to pay international inspection fees when an onsite inspection is required (for your initial application inspection or due to an identified risk).

		Fee	
	Europe	Rest of World	
Travel, accommodation/ expenses	£550	£1350	
Inspector Travel Day	£275	£275	
Additional Inspection Day*	£550	£550	

*to cover inspections of any subcontractors or off site storage facilities

All translation and interpreting costs as well as any additional inspector travel days will be charged for after the inspection has taken place.

Paying by instalments

Fees for UK-based businesses can be paid in six monthly instalments by way of a credit agreement from Premium Credit. For further information please contact our Credit Controller on creditcontrol@soilassociation.org or 0117 914 2456.

VAT

All fees are exclusive of VAT.