

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



Application review fee

The application review fee is applied to all aquaculture applications. This will cover a full review of your application documentation, including the site description and sustainability management plan, environmental impact assessments (where required) and the animal health management plan (where required). This review will ensure that we have assessed that organic certification is appropriate for your operation. Following a successful application review, the annual fee will be charged, and the application can progress to the application inspection stage.

We estimate that this application review will take 6 weeks to complete, this is based on submission of all the required information, this timeframe may vary depending on the scope of the application.

Where a new site is added to an existing licence, the application review fee will be applicable. Following successful review, the additional inspection charges will be applied to cover a site inspection.

	Fee
Application review fee	£625

Aquaculture and seaweed production licence fee

Annual fees are payable on your annual renewal date. The annual certification fee includes one inspection day and the inspection expenses. If more than one day is required for annual inspection, or an additional inspection is required during the year, these are charged at £595 plus expenses.

Annual certification	Fee
Finfish sites (per holding or management area, includes both hatcheries and on-growing sites)	£3300
Bivalve production	£800
Seaweed production (wild harvesting and cultivation)	£730

Inspection services

Canadian Organic Regime (COR) standards	£1750
Remote compliance inspection	£200

Inspection cancellations

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

Exchange rates

We reserve the right to pass on exchange rate related price increases due to fluctuating exchange rates.

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.