

Certification fees for farming & growing to Soil Association standards or organic regulations (in GB or NI)

Application and conversion fees are payable on application and during your initial conversion period.

Annual fees are payable on your annual renewal date. Fees include your annual inspection and all core services throughout the year.

Application and conversion	Fee
Application fee and conversion fee	£520
Small scale farmer and grower fee *	£499
Annual certification	
0.01 ha - 5 ha Small-scale farmer/grower fee*	£499
0 ha – 10 ha registered land	£604
10.01 ha – 50 ha registered land	£767
50.01 ha -100 ha registered land	£840
100.01 ha – 200 ha registered land	£1019
200.01 ha 350 ha registered land	£1171
350.01 ha – 500 ha registered land	£1286
500.01 ha and above registered land	£1418
Less than 100 ha LFA registered land	£604
More than 100.01 ha LFA registered land	£767
Wild harvesting	£604

*Small-scale farmer and grower fees

This fee is to help support small-scale farmers and growers who have between 0.01 ha and 5 ha of organic land. Application and annual fee for qualifying businesses is £499. This fee is not available to licensees whose primary enterprises are aquaculture, poultry, protected cropping and/or plant raising, watercress, mushrooms or wild harvesting.

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 the inspection for the first year (£625, or in-line with the fees above, for farms less than 10ha). 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 or please give us a call on 0117 914 2412.

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Inspection services

The following additional inspections can normally take place on the same day as your organic inspection, reducing your costs and paperwork. If more than one day is required for annual inspection, or an additional inspection is required during the year, these are charged at £595.

	Fee
Red Tractor Assurance	Fees payable direct to SAI Global
NOP (National Organic Programme)	Fees to be quoted on an individual basis
JAS (Japanese Agricultural Standard) for exporting	Fees to be quoted on an individual basis
products to Japan	
FAWL (Farm Assured Welsh Livestock)	Fees payable direct to QWFC
PWAB (US Export Checklist)	£250
Pasture for life	We are contracted to provide physical
	PFLA audits, alongside your SA organic
	for those farmers seeking PLFA and
	organic certification. Please contact
	PFLA for more information
Stockfree Organic Standard	£184
Remote compliance inspection	£210

On-farm processing and packing licences

Fees for on-farm processing and packing licences are based on the annual sales of certified organic products listed on the on-farm processing/packing trading schedule.

However please note that fresh salad crops, fruit, vegetables and eggs grown and packed on your farm and sold direct to the public (for example via your box scheme, your farm shop, or at a farmers market), do not need to be included as part of the total organic certified sales figure.

Certification fee	Fee
Application fee – covering your first year with us	£137
Annual renewal fee - organic certified sales up to	£137
£36,148	
Annual renewal fee - organic certified sales	0.00379 multiplied by your organic
including and over £36,149	certified sales

Local Abattoir/Butcher Scheme

This certification service is in place to assist licensees with limited access to organic abattoirs or butchering facilities. The abattoir/butcher will not hold an organic licence in their own right but will operate for you via your on-farm processing licence.

	Fee
Fee per Local Abattoir/Butcher certification service	£250
(payable in addition to on-farm processing fee)	

Certificates for Export

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Inspection cancellations

	Fee
Less than 10 working days' but more than 5	£312.50
working days' notice given	
Less than 5 working day's notice given	£625

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

Travel costs

In exceptional circumstances, for Highlands and Islands we reserve the right to pass on travel and accommodation costs

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.

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