MINNESOTA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

ORGANIC SERVICES

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What is organic certification?

Certification is the process whereby an operation is approved by an Accredited Certifying Agent (ACA) as being in compliance with the USDA National Organic Program regulations and is then authorized to sell, label, or represent products as being "Certified Organic."

Where does MCIA get its authority?

MCIA is an ACA accredited by the USDA National Organic Program. MCIA is authorized to provide organic certification services to crop and livestock producers, handlers and processors, and wild crop harvesters.

Who uses MCIA organic certification services?

Operations certified by MCIA include food processors, distributors, retailers, agricultural handling facilities, wild crop harvesters, livestock producers, and field crop, vegetable, and fruit producers.



Why use MCIA as your organic certifier?

MCIA provides its clients with a user-friendly, efficient, cost-effective certification process. MCIA's service-oriented staff is available to provide prompt, professional assistance to help our clients understand organic program requirements and guide them through the certification process.

How do you complete organic certification?

The organic certification process requires an application, inspection, and review to determine if an operation is in compliance with the National Organic Program regulations. Upon completion of the process and payment of fees due, the operation is then authorized to sell, label, or represent products as being "Certified Organic." All operations must apply and be inspected annually.

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For more information, call MCIA or visit our web site at www.mncia.org

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ORGANIC SEED USE

There are often questions regarding the requirements for the use of organic seed and other planting stocks in organic production systems. NOP §205.204 states that an organic "producer must use organically grown seeds, annual seedlings, and planting stock, Except, That, (1) Nonorganically produced, untreated seeds and planting stock may be used to produce an organic crop when an equivalent organically produced variety is not commercially available," and "(4) Nonorganically produced planting stock to be used to produce a perennial crop may be sold, labeled, or represented as organically produced only after the planting stock has been maintained under a system of organic management for a period of no less than 1 year." All annual seedlings/transplants must be certified organic.

The organic regulations require organic producers to conduct thorough and diligent searches for organic seed before authorizing the use of non-organic seed. The list of operations in this directory can be used as a resource for organic and transitioning operations to locate seed and to identify seed conditioners that have been certified to process organic seed. Other organic seed sellers can be found on the Internet or from MCIA. Organic seed availability changes throughout the season and year-to-year. Call MCIA if you need assistance locating organic seed.

It is important to remember that producing high quality seed (whether conventional or organic) requires planning, use of effective production practices, and proper handling and conditioning methods. MCIA provides seed certification, quality assurance, and other services for seed producers and conditioners, and can provide assistance to those interested in getting started in organic seed production. Contact MCIA for information on seed production practices and requirements. MCIA's website, www.mncia.org, contains information on MCIA programs and services available to seed producers.

Those wishing to offer organic seed for sale must understand and meet federal and state seed law labeling and other requirements pertaining to seed in addition to the organic requirements. For information about selling seed in Minnesota, please refer to the following Minnesota Department of Agriculture web page: https://www.mda.state.mn.us/plants-insects/buying-and-selling-seed-minnesota.

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Organic seed conditioner

Midwest Grass and Forage 309-837-1820
1300 E University Drive, Macomb, IL 61455
www.midwestgrass.com
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Miller Hybrids, Inc 319-656-2532
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Encore Genetics, LLC 515-988-4147
27089 Timber Rd, Kelley, IA 50134
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MICHIGAN

C3 Seeds.....269-362-2059
11025 M-140, Niles, MI 49120
www.c3seeds.com
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Harrington Seed, LLC..... 989-868-4750
2576 S Bradleyville Rd, Reese, MI 48757
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Capistran Seed Company.....218-891-7840
19380 270th St SW, Crookston, MN 56716
Organic seed conditioner

Clements Seed LLC 507-692-2240
211 Pine St, Clements, MN 56224
clementsseedllc@outlook.com
Organic seed conditioner
Can obtain organic seed for growers

Falk's Seed Farm.....320-875-4341
1170 Hwy 9 NE, Murdock, MN 56271
www.falkseed.com
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Friederichs Seed Inc..... 218-643-5612
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Blue River line of corn, soybeans, silage corn, alfalfa, and grass seed.

Olson, Jonathan and Carolyn..... 507-829-1225
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2493 380th St, Gary, MN 56545
www.soykointernational.com

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Speltz Farms, Inc (Keith Speltz).....507-689-2644
19457 County Road 28, Altura, MN 55910

Aroostock rye

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