

## National Organic Program Handbook: Guidance and Instructions for Accredited Certifying Agents and Certified Operations

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<a href="#"><u>Classification of Materials   Decision Tree for Classification of Materials as Synthetic or Non-Synthetic   Decision Tree for Classification of Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Materials for Organic Livestock Production or Handling   Response to Comments</u></a>	NOP 5033, NOP 5033-1, NOP 5033-2 NOP 5033-3	12/2/2016
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<a href="#"><u>Resource Inventory Supplements for Producers Participating in USDA NRCS Conservation Activity Plan 138</u></a>	NOP 2616	4/16/2015
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<a href="#"><u>General Accreditation Policies and Procedures</u></a>	NOP 2000	12/8/2015
<a href="#"><u>Accreditation Assessment Checklist</u></a>	NOP 2005	10/29/2015
<a href="#"><u>Certification File Review Checklist, Supplement for Grower Groups</u></a>	NOP 2005-3	5/15/2013
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<a href="#"><u>Witness Audit Checklist for Grower Groups</u></a>	NOP 2005-5	8/25/2014
<a href="#"><u>Review Audit Checklist</u></a>	NOP 2005-6	5/29/2014
<a href="#"><u>Separation of Duties in Certification Decisions</u></a>	NOP 2006	4/7/2014
<a href="#"><u>Information Submission Requirements for Certifying Agents</u></a>	NOP 2024	5/29/2014
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<a href="#"><u>Calculating the Percentage of Organically Produced Ingredients</u></a>	PM 11-9	10/31/2011
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<a href="#"><u>NOP Statements: Cloning and Organic Livestock Production</u></a>	PM 11-11	10/31/2011
<a href="#"><u>Confinement of Poultry Flocks</u></a>	PM 11-12	4/3/2017
<a href="#"><u>Clarification of Existing Regulations Regarding the Use of Genetically Modified Organisms in Organic Agriculture</u></a>	PM 11-13	10/31/2011
<a href="#"><u>Labeling of Textiles that Contain Organic Ingredients</u></a>	PM 11-14	10/31/2011
<a href="#"><u>Production and Certification of Aquatic Plants</u></a>	PM 12-1	9/12/2012
<a href="#"><u>Placement of Certified Organic By *** Statement</u></a>	PM 12-2	1/9/2013
<a href="#"><u>Cell Fusion Techniques Used in Seed Production</u></a>	PM 13-1	2/1/2013
<a href="#"><u>Humic Acid Extraction</u></a>	PM 13-2	12/16/2013
<a href="#"><u>Synthetic Algicides, Disinfectants, and Sanitizers Allowed in Organic Crop Production</u></a>	PM 13-3	6/6/2014
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<a href="#"><u>Impact of Fumigation and Irradiation Requirements on Organic Imports</u></a>	PM 18-1	7/31/2018
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<a href="#"><u>Exporting European Union Organic Products to the United States</u></a>	N/A	5/25/2012
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<a href="#"><u>Certification of Organic Crop Container Systems</u></a>	N/A	6/3/2019

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<a href="#"><u>OSP Template – Organic Production</u></a>	N/A	4/16/2015
<a href="#"><u>OSP Templates – Crop Production</u></a>	N/A	4/16/2015
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<a href="#"><u>Pasture for Organic Ruminant Livestock: Understanding and Implementing the Organic Pasture Rule</u></a>	N/A	5/23/2011
<a href="#"><u>National List Sunset Dates</u></a>	NOP 5611	8/3/2021

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<a href="#">Guide to Organic Certification</a>	N/A	12/10/2012
<a href="#">CAP 138 Resource Inventory Supplement – Crop Production</a>	N/A	4/16/2015
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<a href="#">Noncompliance and Adverse Actions Flow Chart</a>	N/A	8/2/2016

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