

PREPARING For PRODUCER CERTIFICATION WITH NASAA



Good preparation is key to establishing your certification. Here are the steps we recommend to make this process happen smoothly—the process is not linear and you will need to tackle all these elements to build the foundations of a successful organic operation.

1. Obtain and read the **NASAA ORGANIC STANDARD (NOS)** &/or other relevant standard JAPAN-Japan Agriculture Standard (JAS), US- National Organic Program (NOP), Canada-Canadian Organic Regime (COR) as applicable to the market programs you are applying for. Contact the office to obtain the relevant Information Pack for the market/s you require.
2. Contact NASAA Certified Organic (NCO) about any **QUESTIONS** that you may have.
3. Ensure your organic **RECORDS** are up to date.
eg inputs, sprays, yields, input/output ratios, brought-in feed, harvest, rotations etc
4. Develop an **ORGANIC MANAGEMENT PLAN (OMP)** suitable for your operation.
(To download forms see below)
5. Start developing **ORGANIC PRACTICES** in your operation (use the Standards as a guide). Areas of importance include:
Organic Inputs Records Pest & Weed Control
Buffer Zones Storage
6. Develop your local **ORGANIC NETWORK** for info and support. Join a Regional Organic Group and make contact with local organic operators.
7. If on-farm processing, complete an Organic Handling Plan (OHP), site plan and flow chart.
8. Start researching ways of **MARKETING** your product—organic is no different to any other product which has to have markets that will work for you.

Contact NASAA for assistance in completing certification paperwork if required. When you are fully ready please send to **NASAA Certified Organic P/L** PO Box 768 Stirling SA 5152

- Completed Application Form
- Completed Organic Management Plan
- Map of Property
- Fee payment

If on-farm processing please attach: • Site plan for each facility • Organic Handling Plan &
• Flow chart for each facility/process

Standards and forms are available for free download at: www.nasaa.com.au by going to

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