

Organic Certification Cost Share Reimbursement Application

The USDA is authorized by Congress to provide organic certification cost share assistance to Oregon producers or handlers who have **PAID** eligible costs during the period of **October 1**, **2022 to September 30, 2023.** Oregon producers or handlers that receive certification or renew their certification from a USDA accredited certifier are eligible to receive reimbursement for **75% of eligible certification fees, up to a maximum of \$750 per annual certification scope.**

Completed applications and all necessary documents with proof of payment between **October 1**, **2022 – September 30**, **2023** must be submitted by **December 15**, **2023**. Reimbursements will be made on a **first-come**, **first-served basis until all available funds have been disbursed**.

For completed applications allow 3-4 weeks to receive your reimbursement.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETURNED

To apply for reimbursement, applicants must provide the following:

- Cost Share Application form
- Copy of Certification Certificate
- Itemized fee invoice marked PAID If certified through Oregon Dept. of Ag this item is not needed
- W-9 form: <u>All entities</u> need to turn in a W-9

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLY

Please follow the instructions below to upload the documents to the secured FTP server for

reimbursement. If you would like to mail the application please mail it to: Oregon Department of Agriculture Organic Certification Cost Share Program 635 Capitol St NE, Salem OR, 97301

Step 1: Visit this link online: https://files.oda.state.or.us/?login=occsrp

If you are not automatically logged in, the username is: occsrp - There is no password, click Login.

Step 2: Click "Choose Files by Selecting."

Step 3: Select the documents from your computer to attach to your application, see list of

documents above for required material. Note: You can only select one document at a time,

please click "Select More Files" to select the next document.

Step 4: Fill out requested and required information on the upload page (name, business name, etc.).

Step 5: Certify that you are authorized to submit documents on behalf of the organization.

Step 6: Click "Begin Upload." There will be no email notification sent of upload as in past years. Please use the information below if you believe your upload failed.



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STEP 1: Contact Details – Contact details must match the W-9 information			
First Last Name			
Farm or Business Name			
Address on W-9			
City, State, Zip			
Telephone	Email		

STEP 2: USDA Accredited Certifying Agent - Which Accredited Certifying Agent issued the certificate

Oregon Tilth, Inc.	Quality Assurance Intl.	CCOF Certification Services
Washington Dept. of Ag.	Oregon Dept. of Ag.	Other

STEP 3: Certification Scope – Indicate the certification scope the eligible fees cover					
Crops	Wild Crops	Processing/Handling	Livestock		

STEP 4: Date and Amount of Certification Fees PAID – Detail must match information provided				
Date certification	Total amount of	•		
fees PAID	certification fees PAID	\$		

STEP 5: Authorized Signature

I certify the above information is true and correct, and the operation stated above received certification or paid expenses to renew organic certification during the period of October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

Signature:					Date:	
For Offic	cial Use or	nly:			For Official Use only:	
Total eligible fees paid:#of scopes		Application Approved by/date:				
Multiply	/ by 75% =	:				
					Reimbursement Approved by:	
	\$750	\$1,500	\$2,250	\$3,000		
(\$750 maximum payment per scope)			payment per so	cope)	(PCA 20669)	

Questions?

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