What is WSDA Organic Input Material Registration and the Organic Input Materials List?

Certified organic producers, handlers, and processors must use substances which comply with USDA organic regulations. The Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) Organic Program evaluates products for use in organic production, processing and handling under the National Organic Program (NOP) to ensure compliance. Manufacturers register their materials with the Organic Program to promote their products to organic growers.

Registration of organic input materials with WSDA Organic Program is voluntary.

ORGANIC INPUT MATERIALS REGISTRATION

STEPS TO ORGANIC INPUT MATERIAL REGISTRATION


**STEP 1**
Complete and submit your application with:
- Product formulation(s)
- Manufacturing process
- Ingredient information

**STEP 2**
WSDA reviews your application and requests more information if needed.

**STEP 3**
If your material is approved, WSDA issues your registration and adds you to the WSDA Organic Input Materials List.

**STEP 4**
Registration must be renewed annually. Products are subject to an in-depth re-review every 5 years.

The WSDA Organic Program has the authority to inspect facilities that manufacture or handle input materials approved for use in organic production.

Registered input materials may use the WSDA logo stating “For Use In Organic Agriculture.” Registered input materials are not certified organic products and are prohibited from making certified organic claims or using the USDA Organic Seal.

Created and maintained by the WSDA Organic Program, the Organic Input Materials List (OIM List) gives product names and approved uses for crop, livestock, processing and handling materials evaluated and approved by our Material Registration Program. This list provides organic operations with a way to search for materials approved for use in organic systems.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- WSDA Pesticide Registration - (360) 902-2030 agr.wa.gov/PestFert/Pesticides/ProductRegistration.aspx
- WSDA Fertilizer Registration - (360) 902-2025 agr.wa.gov/PestFert/Fertilizers/ProductRegistration.aspx
- Organic Materials Review Institute (OMRI) Registered Products List omri.org
- EPA’s National Organic Program (NOP) Guidance regarding inert ingredients epa.gov/pesticide-registration/epas-national-organic-program-guidance

WSDA Organic Program
PO Box 42560, Olympia, WA 98504-2560
360.902.1805 | organicmaterials@agr.wa.gov
agr.wa.gov/FoodAnimal/Organic

ORGANIC PROGRAM

Washington State Department of Agriculture

Supporting the organic industry by registering materials approved for use in organic agriculture
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PRODUCT TYPES</th>
<th>The National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Title 7, §205.600—§205.606 outlines generic materials allowed in organic production (crops, livestock, and handling). Substances are listed as prohibited or allowed, depending on the type and source of the material. Any restrictions on use are outlined with an annotation.</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fertilizers, Soil Amendments, and Crop Production Aids (CPAs)</strong></td>
<td><strong>Pesticides and Spray Adjuvants</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fertilizers must be registered with WSDA Fertilizer Registration prior to being listed on the Organic Input Materials List.</td>
<td>Pesticides and materials that modify pesticide products (spray adjuvants) must be registered with WSDA Pesticide Registration prior to listing on the Organic Input Materials List.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• <strong>Fertilizers</strong> contain essential plant nutrients. They may be applied to the soil or foliage.</td>
<td>• <strong>Pesticides</strong> must be composed of nonsynthetic substances unless specifically allowed under the National List.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• <strong>Soil Amendments</strong> are applied to the soil to create conditions beneficial to plant growth without directly supplying plant nutrients.</td>
<td>• <strong>Spray Adjuvants</strong> do not contain pesticidal ingredients, and may only be used in combination with an approved pesticide product.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• <strong>Crop Production Aids</strong> may be used to facilitate the production of organic crops, yet don’t act as fertilizers, pesticides or soil amendments. Examples of CPAs are: irrigation water additives, dust suppressants, and sun protectants.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>