

Organic products: Recognition of control bodies

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Sixth amendment: Commission Implementing Regulation [2025/2138](#)

Fifth, fourth, third, second, and first amendments: Commission Implementing Regulations [2024/3121](#), [2024/2794](#), [2024/2140](#), [2024/1748](#) as regards the recognition of certain control bodies as competent to carry out controls and issue organic certificates in third countries for the purpose of imports of organic products into the Union

What is changing and why?

From 1 January 2025, control authorities and control bodies must be listed under Regulation [2021/1378](#) as being officially approved (recognised) to conduct organic controls and certification in non-EU countries under the new European Union (EU) organic regime, which is based on compliance. Since June 2024, six Regulations list a total of 56 organic control authorities and control bodies as officially approved.

In October 2025, the EU added the following four control bodies to the list of approved control authorities/control bodies (Regulation [2025/2138](#)):

- AfriCert Limited
- Organic T&C, L.L.C.
- Q-Check Private Company
- SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE PROMOTION SOCIETY (SAPS)

In addition, for certain control bodies that are already approved, the Regulation expands the scope of recognition of the product categories and non-EU countries in which they are permitted to operate. These are:

- Florida Certified Organic Growers and Consumers, Inc. (FOG)
- DBA as Quality Certification Services (QCS)
- IMOCERT Latinoamérica Ltda.
- Kiwa BCS Öko-Garantie GmbH
- Organic Control System LLC Subotica
- ORSER KONTROL VE SERTİFİKASYON ANONİM ŞİRKETİ
- Southern Cross Certified Australia Pty Ltd.

Actions

Control authorities and control bodies must be recognised under the compliance regime from 1 January 2025. It is important for organic food operators in non-EU countries to follow the recognition process, and to liaise closely with their control authorities and control bodies.

The EU regularly produces consolidated versions of the list of control authorities and control bodies. For the latest available version, visit Regulation [2021/1378](#) and click on “Current consolidated version”. **Operators must ensure** they use the most up-to-date version.

Timeline

The four most recently approved control bodies under Regulation [2025/2138](#) are recognised from **25 October 2025**.

The list of control authorities and control bodies is expected to be revised on a regular basis, adding further control bodies that have been recognised.

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