



SCS GLOBAL SERVICES ORGANIC FEE SCHEDULE

Section 1: Baseline Certification Fees

Organic Crop Production	
Production Area	Annual Fees
0 – 99 acres	\$3,500
100 – 199 acres	\$4,500
200 – 499 acres	\$5,500
500 – 999 acres	\$6,500
1,000 – 2,499 acres	\$7,500
2,499 – 4,999 acres	\$8,500
5,000+ acres	Call for quote

Organic Handling	
<i>Non-processing Handler/Broker/Trader/Distributor/Private Label</i>	
Product Count	Annual Fees
1-10 products	\$3,250
Additional products 11 – 50	\$50/product
Additional products 51+	\$25/product

Organic Processing/Manufacturing	
<i>Activities meeting the definition of “processing” under NOP 205.2</i>	
Product Count	Annual Fees
1-10 products	\$4,250
Additional products 11 – 50	\$150/product
Additional products 51+	\$100/product

Producer Group Certification	
Service	Annual Fees
Annual certification <i>Producer groups up to 100 members; includes first auditor day</i>	\$6,500
Additional members	\$10/member
Additional audit day	\$1,000/auditor/day

Section 2: Additional Fees

Audit and Inspection Fees		
Fee:	Amount:	Interval:
Initial application <i>All applicants; nonrefundable</i>	\$350	Once at initial application
Annual inspection <i>Applies to all single-day initial or annual inspections; covers all sites inspected within one audit day</i>	No charge up to 4 hours. \$100/hr thereafter.	Per inspection
Additional Inspection	\$1,800/inspection excluding travel expenses	Per auditor day



<i>Applies to the inspection of additional sites or facilities operated by a certified entity that cannot be completed during the same day as the initial or annual renewal inspection of the primary site/facility.</i>		
Auditor travel time	\$75/hr for auditor travel	Per inspection
Inspection cancellation <i>Assessed for cancellation or rescheduling of inspections after initial establishment of inspection date</i>	\$500 plus nonrefundable expenses	Per cancelled/rescheduled inspection
International Trade Fees		
Fee:	Amount:	Interval:
Export equivalency <i>All clients that export to NOP equivalent markets</i>	\$300/export market	Annually
Import/Export Certificates & Transaction certificates 5 business days 2 business days Next business day <i>Requests for NOP Import Certificates, NOP Equivalency Export Certificates, Transaction Certificates; 2-day and next-day turnaround requires submission by 10:00 am Eastern Time</i>	\$150 plus \$10 per shipment \$250 plus \$10 per shipment \$350 plus \$10 per shipment	Per request
Product and Label Reviews		
Fee:	Amount:	Interval:
Formulation review 15 business days 10 business days 5 business days <i>Includes product addition fee and label review</i>	\$250 \$400 \$600	Per formulation review
Product addition or modification 15 business days 10 business days 5 business days <i>Excludes formulated products; includes label review</i>	\$100 \$200 \$300	Per product addition or modification
Label Review 15 business days 10 business days 5 business days <i>Excludes product or formulation review; bundled rates can only apply to labels that have the same layout, design, and brand</i>	\$50 each/\$200 for ten \$100 each/\$400 for ten \$200 each/\$500 for ten	Per label addition or modification
Private Label Agreement <i>For use of "Certified organic by SCS..." on unowned brands</i>	\$250/agreement	Annually
Exempt Handler Affirmation <i>Operation using exempt storage facilities, brokers, traders, distributors, or other exempt uncertified handlers.</i>	\$100 per exempt uncertified handler	At initial approval
Adding Acreage <i>Operations adding acreage outside the annual renewal cycle.</i>	\$250/parcel & \$125 for parcels in the first 2 years of transition, in addition to inspection fees as applicable	Per instance
Noncompliance and Adverse Action		
Fee:	Amount:	Interval:
Mediation <i>Applies to clients who request mediation; nonrefundable</i>	\$1,000	Per Settlement Agreement
Missed Deadline <i>Operations who do not respond to information requests or resolve noncompliances by stated deadline.</i>	\$250 per missed deadline	Per instance



Reinstatement Fee <i>A nonrefundable fee for operations with NOP organic certification who must request reinstatement.</i>	\$2,000	Per reinstatement request
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Administrative Fee <i>This nonrefundable fee may apply to work completed by SCS staff that falls outside of charges otherwise itemized in this Fee Schedule. Examples include modification of in-process requests, such as product, label, or material reviews, parcel or facility additions, and import/export/transaction certificate requests.</i>	\$150/hr	Hourly, as applicable
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Expedited Certification

Fee:	Amount:	Interval:
Expedited certification* <i>10 business day turnaround on technical review; 4 week advance scheduling of inspection (following application review); nonrefundable; pending SCS availability</i>	50% surcharge on itemized fees	Per expedited certification request
Rush certification* <i>5 business day turnaround on technical review; 3 week advance scheduling of inspection (following application review); nonrefundable; pending SCS availability</i>	100% surcharge on itemized fees	Per rush certification request
Urgent certification* <i>Cost, scope of service, and turnaround times are dependent on the location and complexity of the applicant; nonrefundable; pending SCS availability; may not be available in all geographies</i>	Inquire	Per urgent/custom certification request

*Expedited certification ensures SCS turnaround time for each phase of technical review, including review of the Organic System Plan, Inspection Report, and client responses to New Information Requests, and responses to Notices of Noncompliance. Excludes management/review of matters pertaining to adverse actions (suspension, revocation, denial) or proposed adverse action. Payment of expedited fees does not guarantee certification.

Discounts

Discount:	Amount:	Interval:
Bundled services	10% off baseline certification fees	Annually
Referral <i>Credit applies to operations that become certified that are referred to SCS by an existing SCS Organic client; discount applies to the certified operation's next renewal invoice; maximum of 3 referral discounts per audit cycle</i>	\$500 credit at next renewal	Per referred operation that becomes certified
Transfer from existing certifier <i>Applies to operations who transfer to SCS from existing certifier in good standing (with no open noncompliances or adverse actions)</i>	\$350 initial application fee waived	One time; at initial application
Veteran discount <i>Upon submission of acceptable military documentation that demonstrates veteran status</i>	5% off baseline certification fees	Annually

This Fee Schedule valid for all operations requesting USDA-NOP certification within the United States, Europe, Asia, and Africa. Fees assessed for operations within Latin America will be in accordance with the SCS Mexico & Latin American Organic Fee Schedule.