

ORGANIC LABELING & COMPOSITION GUIDE

UNDER THE MEXICO ORGANIC LAW



IF YOU WANT TO CLAIM:

100% ORGANIC OR ORGANIC

All indications apply to both labels and ingredient panels.

PRODUCT CONTENT	LABEL MUST	LABEL MAY	LABEL MAY NOT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If labeled as “Organic,” must contain at least 95% organic ingredients, excluding water and salt If labeled as “100% Organic,” product must contain 100% organic ingredients, excluding water and salt. May not contain substances listed on Annex 1, Table 3, 4 or 5 If labeled as “Organic,” may contain up to 5% non-organic agricultural ingredients not available in organic form if they are listed on Annex 1, Table 3, 4 or 5. When not commercially available in organic form (these ingredients must be free of prohibited substances and methods) ¹ May not have any added sulfites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Show the term “Organic” or “100% Organic” as applicable ² Show an ingredient statement Identify all organic ingredients as organic in the ingredient statement. Indicate the name & address of the final handler (importer, packer, processor, distributor, trader). Follow final handler information with a declaration such as “Certified Organic by Oregon Tilth” that indicates the name of the certification agent. Show the OTCO Client Identification number Include declaration, “Produced without GMO, GMO-Free or Non-GMO” Show the SENASICA Certifier Approval Code for OTCO OC-220622-22-CPAA-001 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the Mexico Organic National Emblem Show the commercial address website address or telephone number of the certifying agent Show the logo of the certification agent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify water and salt as organic ingredients. Use the the logo of the certifying agent to replace the required certified organic by statement.

¹ Table 3, 4 & 5, Annex 1 can be found in the Mexico Guidelines for Organic Operations (LOOAA, Article 204)

² Per the Mexico Organic Products Law, Article 3XII - The terms “organic, ecological, biological, bio and eco” are considered equivalent synonyms.

All operations must comply with the general specifications for the labeling of agricultural foods and beverages, general systems of measurement units, commercial information and declaration of quantities, distribution and generic content of the information on the labels, in accordance with the provisions of the current Official Mexican Standards as established by LOOAA Art. 205 and [NOM 051 \(prepackaged food and nonalcoholic beverages\)](#).

The OTCO Mexico Organic Labeling + Composition Guide was developed based on the Mexico Organic Products Law, the Regulations of the Organic Products Law, the Guidelines for Organic Operations with Agricultural Activities (LOOAA) and its applicable Agreements

The considerations of this guide apply to all labels carrying an organic claim. Labels include any packing material, label and/or in their absence, an accompanying document which carries an organic claim.

Labels must comply with all applicable Mexico regulations. For more information, visit esp.tilth.org

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IF YOU WANT TO CLAIM:

MADE WITH ORGANIC INGREDIENTS

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PRODUCT CONTENT	LABEL MUST	LABEL MAY NOT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must contain at least 70% organic ingredients, excluding water and salt • May contain up to 30% of agricultural and livestock ingredients produced non-organically or other substances, as long as the same ingredient is not included in organic and non-organic form, including yeast and other substances listed on Annex 1, Tables 3, 4 or 5 ¹ • May not have added sulfites, except for sulfur dioxide for use only in wine labeled “made with organic grapes,” provided that total sulfite concentration does not exceed 100 ppm. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show the term “Made with Organic (specified ingredient or food group)” ² • Indicate organic ingredient content using either “X% Organic” or “X% Organic Ingredients” • Show the commercial address, website address or telephone number of the certifying agent • Show an ingredient statement • Identify all organic ingredients as organic in the ingredient statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify water and salt as organic ingredients • Use the Mexico Organic National Emblem • Use company/brand names that include the word “Organic” or similar phrase, or imply the product is in the “Organic” category

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IF YOU WANT TO CLAIM:

SOME ORGANIC INGREDIENTS

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PRODUCT CONTENT	LABEL MUST	LABEL MAY NOT
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Can contain less than 70% organic ingredients, excluding water and salt• May contain agricultural and livestock ingredients produced non-organically as long as the same ingredient is not included in organic and non-organic form, including yeast and other substances.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify organic ingredients in the ingredient statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use the term “organic” on the principal panel of the label• Identify water and salt as organic ingredients• Use the logo of the certifying agent or other reference that the product is certified as organic.• Use the Mexico Organic National Emblem

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Upon approval from OTCO, the Mexico National Emblem may be used by OTCO certified operations on organic products produced within Mexico or in foreign territory and verified as compliant with the OTCO Mexico Compliance Program. Operators approved by Oregon Tilth to use the Mexico Organic Emblem should review the terms of use set forth in the applicable 2013 & 2021 Agreements*, which disclose the national organic products seal and the general rules established for its use in the labeling of products certified as organic.

In order to use the Mexico Organic National Emblem, the following provisions must be met:

1. The National Emblem must be used in the specific format and colors defined in Articles 3 - 10 of the 2021 Agreement, which discloses the national seal of organic products and the general rules established for its use in the labeling of products certified as organic.
2. The National Emblem should never appear as light colored or modified or distorted as a result of sizing or other graphic elements.
3. The National Emblem should occur in a visible location on the front or side panel of the package, followed by the statement "Certified Organic by Oregon Tilth."
4. If other national or private organic seals or logos are used, they may not be larger than the National Emblem.
5. Per Article 12 of the 2013 Agreement, all product labels or materials, which carry the National Emblem must be submitted to Oregon Tilth for prior authorization.

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*The Agreement published on 10/25/2013 by which the national organic products seal is made known and the general rules for its use in the labeling of certified organic products are established, as well as the Agreement published on 12/03/2021 by which the 2013 Agreement is modified and the National Distinction of Organic Products is made known and the general rules for its use in the labeling of certified organic products are established, establish the conditions for use of the Mexico Organic Seal.

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