

RATE NOP CERTIFICATION EU - 2023

Annual fees: Tax not included.

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| All first-time applicants for the review of their application | 500€ |
| Minimum Annual fee | 1560€ |
| Additional inspection on site (min 2 hours) | 100€/h |
| Additional inspection in the office (min 1 hour) | 66€/h |
| Additional analyses | Invoiced separately to companies |
| Costs per km starting from the Belgian border | 0,93€/km |
| Costs for public transportation from Brussels | 565€/day |

Conditions of payment of the inspection and certification costs:

- A flat rate is applied to all first-time applicants for the review of their application. This fee is non-refundable.
- Fees are always paid in advance.
- A deposit will be charged on basis of the estimation of the NOP turnover of the year that has just started and the complexity of the inspection of the previous year.
- The final amount will be invoiced once the definitive turnover is known.
- An additional fee will be charged for companies (production sites) located outside of Belgium.
- The additional fees will be charged on the following basis:
 - Costs per km starting from the Belgian border.
 - Costs for public transportation from Brussels (airplane, train).
 - Real costs for accommodation.
 - A detailed estimate is made up for inspections abroad.

Additional inspections

A fee may be increased when additional inspections are necessary:

- When the inspection is made difficult:
 - The premises are not accessible.
 - The accounting is not available or is incomplete.
 - Information is incomplete regarding the transformation process, etc...
- In case of severe infringement or statement of a non-conformity.
- When the result of an analysis is positive and confirms an abnormal situation.

Definitions

NOP Organic turnover : the yearly turnover that is realised by the sales of all types of organic certified products NOP for the purpose of fee calculations.

NOP organic end products : For the purpose of fee calculations, two products are different when they have two different recipes or two different process procedures. Two items with the same recipe and the same process procedure, but with a difference in weight or label, are only one end product.

➔ **Companies with an organic turnover below 124.000 € :**

The minimum fixed annual fee will be charged for one production site and a maximum of 10 NOP end products.

➔ **Companies with an organic turnover greater than 124.000 € :**

The rate is the sum of two parts :

Part based on the NOP organic turnover* + part based on the complexity of the inspection **

***The part based on the NOP organic turnover :**

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| 0,36% on the part of the organic turnover up to 1.250.000 € |
| + 0,18% on the part of the organic turnover between 1.250.000 € and 6.250.000 € |
| + 0,11% on the part of the organic turnover between 6.250.000 € and 15.000.000 € |
| + 0,063% on the part of the organic turnover between 15.000.000 € and 25.000.000 € |
| + 0,036% on the part of the organic turnover more than 25.000.000 € |

****The part based on the complexity of the NOP inspection :**

⇒ **Administrative work :**

| Administrative work for all categories : | |
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| OSP document analysis – administrative work (min 6 hours) | 100€/h |
| Creation of certificate USA/Canada equivalence | 60€ |
| Transaction certificate | 60€ |
| Additional analysis : internal analysis and interpretation outside audit | 180€ |
| Change of company information – contract transfer and modification of contract | 72€ |
| Add item - product to certificate | 60€ |

⇒ **Product related work : (100% NOP or Mixed) :**

| 100% NOP organic company | |
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| every other site of the same company (starting from the second site) where organic production takes place | 345€ |
| each organic end product – including validation of formula, recipe, label validation | 54€ |
| each organic ingredient – including aroma, food additives, technical production aids, cleaning products, pest control products | 37€ |

| Mixed company (*) | |
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| every other site of the same company (starting from the second site) where organic production takes place | 400€ |
| each organic end product – including validation of formula, recipe, label validation | 65€ |
| each organic ingredient – including aroma, food additives, technical production aids, cleaning products, pest control products | 42€ |

* a company is considered mixed when they use one or more ingredients in NOP and conventional form in the same production site of the company