

# Become a Certified Organic Co-Processor or Co-Packer

# ORGANIC OPPORTUNITIES

# Make certified organic products for others. Pack your own products into other companies' labels. Provide your service to organic businesses.

Certified businesses that want to add an organic product line or expand their existing sales are looking for certified organic co-packers and co-processors. To handle organic products you need to be certified. CCOF is your partner in making this simple and ensuring it works for you.

### **Minimal Changes**

Most businesses do not need separate equipment or sites to handle organic crops or products. You can usually use your existing processing lines and facilities. You simply clean between runs to avoid contamination or commingling of organic and nonorganic products.

#### **Achievable**

It's easier than you think. CCOF has streamlined certification so that we can ensure a robust certification program that focuses on practices, not paperwork. If you have a HAACP plan, SSOP, allergen control plan, or other traceability system, you already have the structure you need to handle organic crops or products.

#### **Find Customers**

Organic farmers and marketers are looking for you. There is a shortage of certified organic co-packers and processors to serve organic farms and processors. CCOF organic certification connects you with the growing organic marketplace.



#### **Promotion**

CCOF's online and print Directory brings the market together. All CCOF-certified entities appear in these valuable marketing tools.

#### **Competitive Pricing**

CCOF certification is competitively priced to provide superior value and allow businesses to easily enter the organic marketplace. Certification costs consist of an initial one time application fee, the cost of inspection and an annual certification fee.

## **Already Inspected?**

The National Organic Program has required separate certification for all locations that handle organic products, even if their handling activities have been previously covered by their customer's certificate. CCOF makes certification simple by using an Abridged Application to give you credit for your previous inspections, documents and existing organic practices.



Learn more about certification for co-packers and co-processors at <a href="www.ccof.org">www.ccof.org</a> »