



# CCOF PrimusGFS Certification Contract

- ▶ CCOF PrimusGFS Certification is only available for all certified organic producers or those in a documented transition. If you are a mixed operation, **CCOF can also certify your non-organic ground under PrimusGFS.**
- ▶ If you are certified organic by another certifier, **please provide a current organic certificate along with your application.**
- ▶ Please keep a copy of all documents submitted to CCOF for your records.
- ▶ You are responsible for understanding the requirements of the program. Please familiarize yourself with the [CCOF PrimusGFS Certification Program Manual](#) at [www.ccof.org/standards](http://www.ccof.org/standards) and the PrimusGFS General Regulations and standards available at [www.primusgfs.com](http://www.primusgfs.com).
- ▶ **Complete and send the following to apply for this program:**
  - CCOF PrimusGFS Certification Contract (this 4-page form)
  - \$50 Application fee
    - Non-refundable and due with application.
  - \$350 Annual Fee
    - My credit card information is on page 3     I have included another form of payment

Email to: [inbox@ccof.org](mailto:inbox@ccof.org) Or Mail to: CCOF, 2155 Delaware Ave., Suite 150, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

## A. Organization Information

- 1) Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Physical Location of Your Operation. Complete this section if the information is different from your CCOF certified organic operation. *Where organic production occurs, or records are kept (for broker/trader/private label owners):*  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Mailing Address *if different:*  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

## B. Audit Contact Information

Your audit contact will receive all audit reports through the Azzule system.

- 1) Is the audit contact person for your PrimusGFS program the same as for your organic program?  
 Yes     No. *Please provide contact details below.*  
*If no additional contact provided, CCOF will direct PrimusGFS certification correspondence to your primary organic contact.*  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email(s) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Preferred language for communication:     English     Spanish (most CCOF forms & materials available in Spanish)
- 3) Preferred written communication method:     Email     Postal Mail

## C. Additional Contacts or Consultants

Please provide additional contacts, including consultants, that should receive audit reports, corrective action access, and certificates.

Name/Title	Phone number	Email	CC: <input type="checkbox"/>
Name/Title	Phone number	Email	CC: <input type="checkbox"/>

## D. Current Certification or PrimusGFS Registration

- 1) Is your operation currently certified organic to the USDA National Organic Program?  
 No     In Transition     Yes. Provide name of certifier:    Certifier: \_\_\_\_\_



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- 2) Is your operation currently GFSI certified?  
 No  Yes
- a) If yes, provide name of certifier and certification standard: Certifier: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certification Standard:  PrimusGFS  NSF Ag  GLOBALG.A.P.  Other (Provide): \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Is your operation registered with the Azzule System?  
 No  Yes, provide PrimusGFS Registration number: \_\_\_\_\_
- 4) If your operation is currently GFSI certified, do you have any open sanctions by your current certifier?  
 N/A, not GFSI certified  No sanctions  Yes. Describe:  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5) What are your requested audit dates? \_\_\_\_\_  
*Inspection/audit dates must occur when harvest and/or packing/processing/cooling is being conducted.*

## E. Unannounced Audits

Unannounced audits are a required part of certification. CCOF is required to try to make unannounced inspections occur during the recertification period or the seasonality of the operations production. Operations have a choice to select 15 “blackout dates” during your production (or handling) window where CCOF cannot perform an unannounced inspection, e.g. your harvest/packing season is May – August, but you choose: May 29 – June 2<sup>nd</sup> (Memorial Week) and July 4<sup>th</sup> week.

- 1) What dates would you like to choose for your black out dates. Note you can choose none: \_\_\_\_\_

## F. Primary Production Details – Good Agricultural Practices (GAP) Certification

Please provide details for the scope(s) you would like to include in your certification. Complete the associated table for each scope and attach additional pages as needed.

- 1) Scope Type(s):  
 Ranch (Field)  Harvest Crew  Greenhouse

- 2) Ranch (Field) Details

*To be considered a single ranch, sites must have the same water source, under same management and be on continuous ground.*

#	Ranch name:	Ranch Address	Products	Acres	Countries of Destination

- 3) Harvest Crew Details

#	Harvest Crew #:	Crew Leader Name	Products/Ranch

- 4) Greenhouse Details

#	Greenhouse name:	Greenhouse Address	Products	Sq. ft.



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## G. Facility Operation Details - Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) Certification

Please provide details for the operation type(s) you would like to include in your certification. Complete the associated table for each scope and attach additional pages as needed.

1) Operation type(s):

Packinghouse  
  Processor  
  Cooler/Cold Storage  
  Storage/Distribution Center

Facility Name	Address:	FDA#	Size in Sq Ft.	# of lines	# of Buildings	Chiller Space

## H. Shippers/Marketing Companies

Provide details of who or what organizations your reports should be shared with. Audit Reports are shared via the Azzule platform with your customers. Audit report uploads are \$40 per report, and \$15 for each customer the report is transferred to. Attach additional pages as needed.

1) Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## I. Credit Card Payment Information

Annual fees for PrimusGFS are standardized: \$400 (\$50 non-refundable application fee plus \$350 Annual fee) that will be invoiced annually during your certificate renewal period.

Type of Credit Card: <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Master Card <input type="checkbox"/> Amex			Amount: \$
Credit Card Billing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip code:	
Name on Card:		Phone Number:	
Credit Card Number:			
Expiration Date (mm/yy):     /     /		Security Number (The three-digit code on the back of your card. For Amex, this is the four digits on the front):	
CCOF applies a 3% surcharge to each credit card transaction. No additional surcharge is applied to debit card transactions.			
Signature:			



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Operation Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## J. Certification Contract and Agreement

► The following must be signed by a legally authorized representative of the legal entity seeking PrimusGFS certification with CCOF.

**By signing this document, the applicant acknowledges that it has received, has read, fully understands, and agrees to be bound by the CCOF CS Certification Manuals and agrees to:**

- 1) Be legally bound by and comply with the requirements set forth in the CCOF PrimusGFS Certification Program and Certification Services Program manuals.
- 2) Comply with and strictly adhere to all CCOF standards, procedures and policies described in the CCOF Manuals including but not limited to the following:
  - a) Permitting on-site inspections with complete access to the production or handling aspects of the operation, including non-certified production areas, structures, or offices; including examining documents, records, personnel and client's subcontractors and any investigation of complaints. These inspections may be announced or unannounced at the discretion of CCOF or as required by an accreditation authority, government entity with jurisdiction, or other governing body.
  - b) Maintaining all records applicable to the organic operation for not less than five (5) years beyond their creation. When sending copies of certification records to others, the documents shall be reproduced in their entirety or as specified by CCOF CS.
  - c) Allowing authorized representatives of CCOF, an accreditation authority, government entity with jurisdiction, or other governing body access to these records under normal business hours for review and copying to determine compliance with the applicable standards, regulations or governing law.
  - d) Understanding CCOF may use subcontractors for inspecting, testing and other technical services, as necessary.
  - e) Submitting to CCOF any applicable fees as described on the most current fee schedule or as included in the quote for services.
  - f) Immediately notifying CCOF of any change in our certified operation or portion of it that may affect its compliance with the applicable standards, regulations or governing law.
  - g) Using the PrimusGFS trademark and seal(s) only in accordance with CCOF PrimusGFS Certification Program Manual and ceasing all use of PrimusGFS's trademark and seal upon notice by CCOF. Any use of PrimusGFS's trademark or seal without the express consent of CCOF, is strictly prohibited and constitutes an infringement of PrimusGFS's rights.
  - h) Destroying or returning to CCOF all packaging and certificate(s) upon notice from CCOF.
  - i) Authorizing CCOF to list certified parcel crops, products, services, and acreage on my certificate and in the CCOF Directory.
  - j) Immediately ceasing all claims of PrimusGFS certification associated with this operation, and destroying or returning all certificates, labeling, and marketing material containing reference to CCOF in the event that this operation withdraws, or its certification is expired, suspended or cancelled.
  - k) Agreeing to be legally bound by the policies in the CCOF Certification Program Manual section 6 including but not limited to Governing Law, Consent to Jurisdiction, Indemnification and Limit of Liability.

**I, the owner or legally authorized corporate representative, acknowledge and agree to the above General Requirements for CCOF PrimusGFS certification. I understand that any willful misrepresentation may be cause for sanctioning of certification and attest that all information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge:**

Name/Title	Signature	Date
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**I, the CCOF representative, acknowledge receipt of the above-named operation for CCOF PrimusGFS certification.**

Name/Title	Signature	Date
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