



Bio Suisse Checklist 2009

Simplified approval for small farmers' cooperatives

Name of the cooperative:		
Person(s) in charge:		
Address:		
Postcode, Town, Province:		
Country:		
Tel.:		
Fax:		
E-mail:		
N° members total:	N° members organic:	N° members for Bio Suisse approval:
Cooperative inspected and certified since (year):		
Inspection body:		
Date of recent external inspection:		
Product(s):		
Contracting export company:		
Contracting Swiss importing company (if known):		

1. GENERAL / DEFINITION

- The producer group has joint structures (e.g. marketing, advisory service)
- The cropping areas are cultivated by small farmers:
 - at least 50% of the holdings are 0-5 ha in size
 - at least 70% of the holdings are 0-10 ha in size
 - 100% of the holdings are 0-25 ha in size

Definition WHOLE-FARM APPROACH:

All lands (except plots for subsistence growing) are organically farmed and inspected. Livestock husbandry (except for subsistence) is inspected and complies with IFOAM standards at least.

- All members of the cooperative comply with the above definition
- Only a selection of members within the cooperative complies with the above definition
 - A list of this members is added
 - Separation in harvest, processing and trade and full retraceability of the products of this selected members is guaranteed.

2 CLEAR-FELLING OF NATURAL SITES

Yes	No	n/a	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	During the previous year, clear-felling of primary/secondary forests (or High Conservation Value Areas) was carried out by the cooperative/members of the cooperative. If yes, state type of clearance and list clear-felled sites:

2 PROCESSING / CONDITIONING / PACKAGING IN THE COOPERATIVE

Yes	No	n/a	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Products are cleaned, dried, conditioned/packaged, and/or processed in the cooperative. If yes, list products: Attach recipes, descriptions of processing and/or packaging
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Products from other cooperatives/holdings are cleaned, dried, conditioned, packaged, and/or processed in the cooperative. If yes, the "Bio Suisse checklist for processing and trade" must be completed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cleaning, drying, conditioning/packaging and/or processing are carried out by a contractor. If yes, attach contractor's certificate
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The cooperative's products are processed / conditioned/cleaned prior to being exported to Switzerland. If yes, give name of processor / firm carrying out conditioning/cleaning:
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The cooperatives also markets products from other cooperatives/holdings. If yes, the "Bio Suisse Checklist for Processing and Trade" must be completed.

Date:

Stamp and signature of inspection body:

Attachments:

- Current inspection report
- Current certificate of holding / decision on certification
- List of selected members for Bio Suisse approval
- Bio Suisse checklist processing and trade