



**BIO SUISSE**

**Bio Suisse Checklist 2011**  
**Simplified Approval for Smallholder Groups**

Name of the Group / Project:		
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: .....
Smallholder group inspected and certified since (year):		
Present certification body:		
Date of recent external inspection:		
Product(s) for which Bio Suisse approval is requested:		
Exporting company:		
Swiss importing company (if known):		

**1. GENERAL / DEFINITION**

1.1 The smallholder group applying for Simplified approval has joint structures (e.g. marketing, advisory service)

1.2 The cropping areas of the group applying for Simplified approval are cultivated by smallholders:

- at least 50% of the group members have cropping areas of 0-5 ha
- at least 70% of the group members have cropping areas of 0-10 ha
- at least 95 % of the group members have cropping areas that are smaller than 25 ha
- The yield of group members with cropping areas larger than 25 ha does not exceed 25 % of the total yield of the group proposed for Bio Suisse Simplified Approval. If yes, these farms must be inspected as individual farms.

1.3 All lands of the smallholders (except plots for subsistence growing) applying for Simplified approval are organically farmed and inspected. Livestock husbandry (except for subsistence) is inspected and complies with IFOAM Basic Standards at least.

1.4 No members of the group applying for Simplified approval have clear felled primary/secondary forests or otherwise transformed High Conservation Value Areas into agricultural production areas after 1994.

- All members of the group comply with the above definition
- Only a selection of members within the smallholder group complies with the above definition
  - A list of the selected members is attached
  - Separation in harvest, processing and trade and full traceability of the products of the selected members is guaranteed.

Comments by the certification body:
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## 2. CONDITIONING / PACKAGING/ PROCESSING OF THE GROUPS PRODUCTS

Yes	No	n/a	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Products are conditioned, packaged, and/or processed by the smallholder group. <b>If yes, list products, attach recipes and process descriptions (including flowcharts)</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Products from other groups/operators are bought/sold and/or conditioned, packaged, processed by the smallholder group. <b>If yes, the "Bio Suisse checklist processing and trade" must be completed (<a href="http://www.bio-suisse.ch/en/library/import/checklist.php">http://www.bio-suisse.ch/en/library/import/checklist.php</a>)</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Products are conditioned, packaged and/or processed by a contractor (third party conditioning, packaging, processing) <b>If yes, the "Bio Suisse checklist processing and trade" must be completed (<a href="http://www.bio-suisse.ch/en/library/import/checklist.php">http://www.bio-suisse.ch/en/library/import/checklist.php</a>) for the contractor/third party</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The products are sold to an external company that carries out conditioning, packaging and/or processing prior to export to Switzerland <b>If yes, indicate the name of the company carrying out conditioning, packaging and/or processing. This company needs Bio Suisse approval, please submit application</b>

## 3. CONDITIONS IMPOSED BY BIO SUISSE IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR

Yes	No	n/a	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bio Suisse imposed conditions in the previous year.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The conditions imposed by Bio Suisse in the previous year have been met. <b>Explain in detail:</b>

#### 4. AUTHENTICATION BY THE INSPECTION BODY

The undersigned inspector confirms

- that he has provided the details to the best of his knowledge and belief.

**Inspector:** .....

Date:..... Signature: .....

**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