

APPLICATION FOR ORGANIC FARM REGISTRATION

The completed application form, the signed undertaking and a non-refundable application fee of \$836 (inc. GST) should be sent to the Bio-Dynamic Research Institute, Post Office, Powelltown, Victoria. 3797. EFT: BSB: 013-278 Account: 0016-16202

NAME OF FARM OWNER:

NAME OF FARM OPERATOR:

ADDRESS OF FARM:

POSTAL ADDRESS:
(if different to above)

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

MOBILE PHONE NUMBER:

FACSIMILE NUMBER:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

THE GOODS FOR REGISTRATION:

Provide the following details:

1. A full description of the farm on a map. This must include:
 - i) the farm size and relevant production areas
 - ii) livestock numbers
 - iii) average area under cropping per year
 - iv) storage premises and packaging operations
 - v) where applicable, premises for any on-farm processing
 - vi) Indicate if your operation is currently certified by a DOA approved Certification Organisation. If it is, attach a copy of your current certificate.
2. A list of all synthetic chemicals applied to the land and the date on which they were last applied.
3. A list of all fertilizers applied to the land and the date on which they were last applied.
4. A summary account of activities indicating how the farming operation has been developed, **and will maintain**, the Organic integrity of products. (This is referred to as the Organic "Management Plan"). This information includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. A brief outline of the Organic farming practices.
 - b. Length of time the farm has been farmed according to the requirements detailed in the **National Standard or Organic and Bio-Dynamic Produce**.
 - c. Indicate the substances and methods that are used for cleaning of all equipment and areas which come in contact with the certified product.
 - d. Provide information on the substances and methods used for pest control.
 - e. Areas which offer the potential for contamination of the certified products with substances not complying with the Standard must be highlighted, along with the precautions taken to minimise this possibility occurring. (This includes neighbouring activity).

5. Indicate any storage, processing or packaging arrangements required for your produce which is contracted off-farm prior to you being able to sell the product eg. Abattoir, nut shelling.
6. Indicate if any non-certified product is also handled in your operation.
7. Describe the type and material used for packaging of the product.
8. Provide a rough sketch of the proposed labelling of the product.

UNDERTAKING

- a) I wish to be registered as an Organic operator under the terms and conditions prescribed by the Bio-Dynamic Research Institute.
- b) I agree I have a copy of the current version of the **National Standard For Organic and Bio-Dynamic**.
- c) I agree that this Application, when accepted by the Bio-Dynamic Research Institute, will constitute a contract between myself and the Bio-Dynamic Research Institute.
- d) I agree, during normal working hours, to permit a proper official of the Council to inspect my operation and types of goods for registration for the purpose of satisfying the Council that the certification will be duly fulfilled.
- e) If required by the Bio-Dynamic Research Institute, or if the Inspector deems this necessary, samples of soil, water or produce may be taken for analyses at a cost to myself.
- f) In the event of being authorised as a registered Organic Operator:
 - i) I agree that I will undertake my operations in accordance with the **National Standard for Organic and Bio-Dynamic Produce**.
 - ii) I agree to notify the Institute without delay, of any changes to my operation that may affect the ability to conform with the above certification requirement.
 - iii) I undertake to maintain accurate and up to date records of all purchases, production, processing, handling, transport, storage and sale of certified products, and to supply any such records to the Research Institute at their request.
 - iv) I agree to pay the annual fee for registration, the amount of which is indicated in the Institute's **Certification Fee Schedule**, to cover administration and inspection costs.

Signed:

Name:

Date: