

Certification fees for Aquaculture to Soil Association standards or organic regulations (in GB or NI)



Application review fee

The application review fee is applied to all aquaculture applications. This will cover a full review of your application documentation, including the site description and sustainability management plan, environmental impact assessments (where required) and the animal health management plan (where required). This review will ensure that we have assessed that organic certification is appropriate for your operation. Following a successful application review, the annual fee will be charged, and the application can progress to the application inspection stage.

We estimate that this application review will take 6 weeks to complete, this is based on submission of all the required information, this timeframe may vary depending on the scope of the application.

Where a new site is added to an existing licence, the application review fee will be applicable. Following successful review, the additional inspection charges will be applied to cover a site inspection.

	Fee
Application review fee	£516

Aquaculture and seaweed production licence fee

Annual fees are payable on your annual renewal date. Fees include one day's annual inspection and all core services throughout the year. Transport, travel time and subsistence are charged additionally – where possible we complete inspections in batches so that expenses are shared by a number of our licensees.

Annual certification	Fee
Hatcheries (including fish, bivalve, shrimp farms)	£563
On-growing sites per holding or management area (including fish, bivalve, shrimp farms).	£676
Seaweed production (wild harvesting and cultivation)	£530

Inspection services

If more than one day is required for annual inspection, or an additional inspection is required during the year, these are charged at £417.

Canadian Organic Regime (COR) standards	£1,284
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Inspection cancellations

	Fee
Less than 10 working days' notice given	£208.50
Less than one working days' notice given	£417

We reserve the right to pass on travel costs already incurred when an inspection is cancelled with less than a month's notice.

Exchange rates

We reserve the right to pass on exchange rate related price increases due to fluctuating exchange rates.

Paying by instalments

Fees for UK-based businesses can be paid in six monthly instalments by way of a credit agreement from Premium Credit. Please note this involves a one off £5 facility fee, an additional charge of 3.95% of the total value of the invoice, and a credit check may be required (subject to a minimum charge of £15).

VAT

All fees are exclusive of VAT.