**Northern Ireland Soil Association standards flavouring and non-GM**

**declaration**

Flavourings used in organic food must be natural flavouring substances or flavouring preparations. Genetically modified (GM) organisms and ingredients derived from or produced by GM organisms must not be used in organic foods.

This form combines SA Certification’s flavouring declaration and non-GM declaration into one document. Part A should be completed if the flavouring is a natural flavouring substance or flavouring preparation, and no GM-risk ingredients have been used in its production (refer to point 3 in the guidance notes overleaf). Part B should be completed if GM-risk ingredients have been used in its production, and how it has been established that they are not genetically modified, derived from GM organisms or produced by a GM micro-organism.

The producer of the flavouring must complete this form. Please read the guidance notes overleaf before completing.

**PART A**

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| **Flavouring declaration** | | | | | | | |
| I hereby declare that the product named below:   * is a natural flavouring substance or flavouring preparation as defined in EC Regulation 1334/2008 Article 3(2) (c) and (d)(i) and labelled in accordance with Article 16(2), (3) and (4). * does not contain any flavouring substances or flavouring preparations prepared using any extraction solvents besides ethanol, water, glycerol, vegetable oils or carbon dioxide. * uses only ethanol, water, glycerol or vegetable oils as carrier solvents in liquid flavours. | | | | | | | |
| **Declaration of no GM-risk ingredients** | | | | | | | |
| I hereby declare that the product named below does not contain any ingredients which were:   * derived from maize, soya, canola (oilseed rape), or cotton (examples include, but are not limited to ethanol, maltodextrin, dextrose, soya flour and vegetable oil), or any other GM crop. * produced from or by a GM micro-organism. | | | | | | | |
| Name of product | |  | | | | | |
| Product supplied to (please detail licence number, if known) | | |  | | | | |
| Forename and surname | |  | Position |  | | | |
| Company name, address & email | |  | | | | | |
| Signature |  | | | | Date |  | |
| I have completed this form electronically and confirm I am in agreement with the declaration above. | | | | | | |  |

**If you cannot sign the above declaration because the named product does contain GM-risk ingredients, please complete the non-GM declaration below.**

Electronic submission of this form is accepted. Please type into the grey boxes and email the form to the SA Certification licensee or to SA Certification directly, using the contact details at the foot of this page.

**PART B**

Please complete this page for all ingredients of the flavour which have been or may have been made from GM-risk crops.

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| **Non-GM declaration** | | | | | | | |
| The following ingredient(s) contained in the flavouring named overleaf are made from GM-risk ingredients. | | | | | | | |
| I attach supporting information from the supplier or manufacturer of the ingredient, showing how I have established that they are not from GM organisms. | | | | | | |  |
| I hereby declare that the product named overleaf does not contain any ingredients which were produced by a GM micro-organism | | | | | | |  |
| **Flavouring declaration** | | | | | | | |
| I hereby declare that the flavour:   * is a natural flavouring substance or flavouring preparation as defined in EC Regulation 1334/2008 Article 3(2) (c) and (d)(i) and labelled in accordance with Article 16(2), (3) and (4). * does not contain any ingredients prepared using any carrier solvents besides ethanol, water, glycerol, vegetable oils or carbon dioxide. * uses only ethanol, water, glycerol or vegetable oils as carrier solvents in liquid flavours. * I undertake to inform our customer and its control body/authority immediately if this declaration is withdrawn or modified, or if any information came to light which would undermine its accuracy. | | | | | | | |
| Forename and surname | |  | Position |  | | | |
| Company name, address and email | |  | | | | | |
| Signature |  | | | | Date |  | |
| I have completed this form electronically and confirm I agree with the declaration above. | | | | | | |  |

SA Certification cannot accept this declaration without full supporting information about each ingredient derived from a GM-risk crop.

**Guidance notes**

1. Genetically modified organisms (GMOs) and ingredients produced from or by GMOs must not be used in organic products (ref. EC 2018/848 Article 11).
2. You must consider all ingredients of the flavouring you supply, including carriers and solvents, before you sign this document.
3. The main GM-risk crops are maize, soya, oilseed rape (canola) and cotton, but ingredients derived from any GM crop worldwide may not be used. GM micro-organisms may not be used to manufacture ingredients for use in flavours for organic products.
4. For flavouring ingredients which have been made or modified by microbial action or enzymatic action, the micro-organisms used in the fermentation, or which produced the enzymes must not have been genetically modified.
5. For some products we may need to ask for further details on how you have established that ingredients are not derived from or produced by GMOs.
6. Soil Association organic standards only permit ethanol, glycerol, vegetable oils and water for extraction or as carrier solvents in flavourings for organic products. Carbon dioxide may also be used for extraction.
7. This declaration should be renewed every 12 months, or confirmation obtained from the producer of the flavour that it remains valid and accurate
8. This form is not required for organic flavourings.
9. This form is for flavourings only, for other non-organic ingredients, additives, processing aids to be used in organic foods, please complete SA Certification’s non-GM declaration.