



## Certification fees for health & beauty products to COSMOS Organic, COSMOS Natural or Soil Association standards

### Ingredient Review Service (A non-inspection standalone service)

Our ingredient review assesses whether ingredients are suitable for use in COSMOS formulations. This provides a review of up to 10 non-organic plus 20 organic ingredients and costs £220 plus VAT. Upon completion of the review, a formal letter known as the Summary of Assessment will be issued which includes details of the outcome. The letter will be for applicant's information only and can be used as part of the application for certification with Soil Association or product review adding an additional ingredient or product to your certification. The Soil Association COSMOS symbol cannot be used to market your products unless full certification is gained.

Please note this is offered as a pre-application service or at any time throughout your certification with us. If used at the pre-application stage then the below fees would apply if you wish to progress to full certification.

**Application fees** are payable on application and cover your first year with us.

**Annual fees** are based on your total certified sales each year and are payable on your annual renewal date.

Fees include your annual inspection and all core services throughout the year.

Certification fee	Fee
Application fee – covering your first year with us	£1,270
Annual renewal fee – certified sales under £384,848	£1,270
Annual renewal fee – certified sales between £384,849 and £2,475,000	0.0033 multiplied by your certified sales
Annual renewal fee – certified sales over £2,475,001	<p>0.0033 multiplied by your organic certified sales for the first £2,475,000, plus</p> <p>0.00165 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £2,475,001 and £4,590,000, plus</p> <p>0.0011 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £4,590,001 and £23,713,000, plus</p> <p>0.00033 multiplied by your organic certified sales over £23,713,000</p>

COSMOS application and annual fee - to cover fees payable direct to COSMOS	£160
Health and Beauty Brandholder scheme* – certified sales under £384,848	£1,270
Health and Beauty Brandholder scheme – certified sales over £384,849	0.0033 multiplied by your organic certified sales
Health and Beauty Brandholder scheme – certified sales over £2,475,001	<p>0.0033 multiplied by your organic certified sales for the first £2,475,000, plus</p> <p>0.00165 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £2,475,001 and £4,590,000, plus</p> <p>0.0011 multiplied by your organic certified sales between £4,590,001 and £23,713,000, plus</p> <p>0.00033 multiplied by your organic certified sales over £23,713,000</p>

\* Available for Soil Association health & beauty products standards only, where the brandholder contracts out all ingredient sourcing, manufacturing and packing to a SA-certified manufacturer. This scheme ended to new applicants in December 2016

### Transferring from another certification body

We offer a discounted fee for businesses transferring from other certification bodies for the first year. We can help you to easily transfer your SA Health & Beauty/ COSMOS Organic/ COSMOS Natural certificate to Soil Association certification. This fee will be charged at the cost of the COSMOS application and annual fee (to cover fees payable direct to COSMOS- see table above) as well as the cost of inspection for the first year. Any additional sites requiring inspection during this period are not included in this fee.

### Inspection fees and expenses for inspections outside the UK

In addition to the application/annual fee, inspection fees and expenses are added **for inspections outside the UK**. Please email [international@soilassociation.org](mailto:international@soilassociation.org) for a quotation/estimate.

### Fees for approval of raw materials for use in products certified to COSMOS standards

Our approved products scheme applies to raw materials suitable for use in products certified to the COSMOS standards. For more information please refer to our application pack, product ingredient questionnaire and organic standards. If you have any queries, please call us on +44 (0)117 914 2411 or email [cert@soilassociation.org](mailto:cert@soilassociation.org).

Application and annual fees are calculated as follows:

Application/annual fee	£124
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Application/annual product approval fee	£63 multiplied by number of products
Application/annual COSMOS raw material/substance registration fee	£22 per product

**Additional product assessment and approval fees** are charged on a per product basis at the time of submitting any new products to us for assessment and approval.

Application product approval fee	£63 multiplied by number of products
Application COSMOS raw material/substance registration fee	£22 per product

### **Additional inspections**

If more than one day is required for annual inspection, or an additional inspection is required during the year, these are charged at £550.

### **Inspection cancellation**

	<b>Fee</b>
Less than 10 working days' but more than 5 working days' notice given	£275
Less than 5 working days' notice given	£550

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. For further information please contact our Credit Controller on [creditcontrol@soilassociation.org](mailto:creditcontrol@soilassociation.org) or 0117 914 2456. but more than 5 working days.

### **VAT**

All fees are exclusive of VAT.