**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 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, but it has been established that they are not genetically modified or derived from GM organisms.

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:   * conforms to the description of a natural flavouring substance or flavouring preparation as defined in GB Regulation 1334/2008; * 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 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 sign the non-GM declaration below.**

**PART B**

Please complete this page for all ingredients of the flavour which have been or may have been made from GM-risk crops including maize, soya, canola (oilseed rape) or cotton.

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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. | | | | | |  |
| **Flavouring declaration** | | | | | | |
| I hereby declare that the flavour:   * conforms to the description of a natural flavouring substance or flavouring preparation as defined in GB Regulation 1334/2008; * 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. | | | | | | |
| Forename and surname | |  | Position |  | | |
| Company name, address and email | |  | | | | |
| Signature |  | | | Date |  | |
| I have completed this form electronically and confirm I am in agreement 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. Flavourings for use in organic products must conform to the definition of natural flavouring substances or flavouring preparations in GB Regulation 1334/2008 (Article 3, 2(c & d)).
2. Genetically modified organisms (GMOs) and ingredients derived from GMOs must not be used in organic products (ref. GB Regulation 834/2007).
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. You must consider all ingredients of the flavouring or ingredient you supply, including carriers and solvents, before you sign this document.
5. For some products we may need to ask for further details on how you have established that ingredients are not from GM crops.
6. 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.
7. In the Soil Association organic standards (see 6.6.5) ethanol, glycerol, vegetable oils and water are the only permitted extraction solvents for flavourings, and the only permitted carrier solvents in liquid flavourings. Carbon dioxide may also be used for extraction.
8. This declaration will expire 12 months from the date signed. We will ask for an update annually.
9. This form is not required for organic flavourings.
10. For other non-organic ingredients to be used in organic foods, please complete SA Certification’s non-GM declaration (P013Fm).

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.