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What is Organic Content Standard (OCS)?

The OCS applies to any non-food product containing 5-100 % organic material. It verifies the presence and amount of organic material in a final product. It addresses the flow of product within and between companies, raw material verification, post-harvest processing, manufacturing, packaging and labeling, storage, handling, and shipping through the seller in the last business-to-business transaction. It allows for transparent, consistent, and comprehensive independent evaluation and verification of Organic Material content claims on products by an accredited third-party Certification Body (CB).

The goal of the OCS is to ensure trust in organic content claims and uses the chain of custody requirements of the **Content Claim Standard (CCS)**.

THE OCS CERTIFICATION PROCESS:

1 Application and contract

- You can apply online for the OCS Certification. We will use the application details to produce a quotation.
- Once the quotation has been accepted, we will ask you to return a signed copy of the quotation and our Scheme Rules.

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Initial Audit Preparation

- Briefing on OCS Standard
- Implementation Manual
- Document checklist
- The inspection report: Inspection checklists, Suppliers, Subcontractors

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Initial Certification Audit

- Opening meeting
- On-site Audit
- Preparation of Audit
- Report
- Closing meeting

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Labeling Release

Whenever the client wishes to approve its artwork, the proposed artwork and Labelling Release form shall be submitted to GCL for approval.

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Transaction Certificate

- The certified client may request a TC.
- Send a TC Request form and associated documents to us.
- If approved by us, the TC is issued to the client.

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Re-Assessment Or Annual Audit

If there are any changes in production unit, subcontractor or new suppliers an audit report must be completed and returned to us.

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