

Fees 2023 for food processors, distributors, importers, exporters, storage companies and contractors of organic products in Flanders

1. Companies with an organic turnover of less than € 130,000

A fixed amount of € 1130 is charged annually. Only additional sites or export certificates will be invoiced according to the table below.

2. Companies with an organic turnover equal to or exceeding € 130,000

The amount is based on the complexity of the file. In order to calculate the total annual contribution, the following parameters are taken into account. The minimum amount is always €1130,-.

Parameter	Contribution	Applies to
<i>Number of sites</i>	€ 780 for the first or only site Contribution per additional location: > Storage of prepackaged products: € 280 > Other activities: € 580	all companies handling physical products
	€ 650 for the first or only site	companies not handling physical products
<i>Number of organic end products</i>	€ 52 per product	processors
<i>Mixed activity (organic and non-organic)</i>	Fixed amount of € 645	all companies with a mixed activity
<i>Import activity</i>	Fixed amount of € 780	importers and first consignees
<i>Volume sold (as organic)</i>	> 0,15 % on the organic turnover until €1.250.000 > 0,08 % on the organic turnover between €1.250.000 and €6.250.000 > 0,04 % on the organic turnover between €6.250.000 and €15.000.000 > 0,03 % on the organic turnover between €15.000.000 and €25.000.000 > 0,01 on the organic turnover above €25.000.000	all companies with an organic turnover of €130.000 or above
<i>Export certificate</i>	€ 44 per requested certificate	exporters to non EU countries

Explanation of these parameters	
<i>Site</i>	Each location TÜV NORD Integra has to visit to complete the annual inspection in its entirety.
<i>Additional site</i>	Storage of pre-packaged products: The site merely stores and distributes pre-packaged and labeled products.
	Other activities: activities that do not fall in the category above.
<i>Organic end products</i>	When calculating the contribution, 2 products are deemed different when they have a different recipe or a different manufacturing procedure (two items sharing the same recipe and the same manufacturing procedure, but having different weights or labels are considered as one end product).
<i>Mixed activity</i>	One and the same company engages in an activity (such as processing, distribution, import, export or storage) for both organic and non-organic products.
<i>Import activity</i>	An activity as importer or as first consignee as defined in the Regulation (EU) 2021/2307, art 2 for goods imported from a third country outside the EU.
<i>Volume sold (as organic)</i>	The turnover per calendar year, realized with the sales of organic products and/or the activity performed in any part of the production, processing or distribution of organic products.

Example of a calculation

A processor processing only organic products, having 1 site, 2 organic end products and an organic sales of € 1,150,000 will contribute:

$$€ 780 + 2 \times € 52 + (0.15\% \times € 1,150,000) = € 2,609$$

Certification of contractors

A company that performs an operation on an organic product as a sub-contractor for a certified company without ever owning this product.

- A contractor can choose to apply for organic certification autonomously (invoicing according to the above mentioned tariffs) or apply via its client.
- In case you work with a contractor that did not join an inspection body autonomously, and wants to be certified under your registration, the contractor's location will be considered as an additional site.

Payment terms and general conditions

These fees apply to the current calendar year 2023. VAT is not included in the above mentioned prices.

For companies applying after January 1st, the contributions described in this document cover the period until the end of the calendar year. A reduction is offered to companies joining after September 1st.

The total contribution per year will be calculated in 2 phases. In the first trimester, the minimum contribution will be billed to all companies. Afterwards, based on the organic turnover data supplied to TÜV NORD Integra using an online form, a settlement of the contribution fee for the previous year and an estimated contribution fee for the current year will be calculated.

For a new company, TÜV NORD Integra can ask for the turnover figures estimated in the course of the 1st year.

These fees include for instance:

- Inspection visits on site
- Travel expenses for the inspection
- Expenses of taking samples and analysis thereof
- Issuance of business certificates
- Answering questions by mail and by telephone
- Certification of new products
- Keeping you up to date on changes related to the standard
- Follow up of your file

Supplementary inspections

The contribution can increase if supplementary inspections are necessary:

- When the inspection is complicated by for example: rooms that were not accessible, unavailable or poorly maintained accountancy
- When the result of an analysis confirms an abnormal state
- When a non-compliance leads to a warning or worse according to the official sanction policy
- Obligatory sampling controls for import purposes

The cost of supplementary inspections will be charged at a rate of € 180 per hour on-site, including travel expenses (minimum 0,5 hour). Supplementary inspections for which an on-site visit is not necessary, will be charged at a rate of € 138,- per hour. In case necessary, additional analysis costs are charged separately.

In case the results of a mandatory sampling control allow immediate release of the goods, the above mentioned tariff will be lowered to €120 per hour. Analysis and shipping costs will be invoiced separately.