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**EU Derogation Request Form**

Please note that in no case may the derogation be approved for longer than 12 months, and at that time organic production as was occurring prior to the date of derogation must continue. The derogation must be issued specifically for the type of production indicated here or specific land, as applies. The derogation is issued for a specific individual operator or member of a grower group. OCIA must inform the European Commission, EU Member States, and accreditor IOAS of any derogations granted. The operator must maintain documentary evidence relating to the granted derogations as well as documentary evidence on the use of those derogations during the period where those derogations apply. Documentation will be verified at inspection or upon request of OCIA.

Operation Name Operation #

We are requesting the following derogation from EU 2018/848, for derogations outlined in 2020/2146 Art. 3:

Seed exemption. To use non-organic seed or vegetative propagated material for crops to be certified to EU, because the type and variety of seed and/or vegetative propagated material we want to use is not commercially available on the market as organic.

Use of non-organic bees to renew or reconstitute a colony. Colonies of bees may be renewed or reconstituted with non-organic animals in the case of high mortality of animals and when organically reared animals are not available, provided the 12-month conversion period for bees is observed. (Derogation from 1.3.1 of Part II of Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2018/848)

Feedings bees. Where the survival of the colony is endangered for other reasons than climatic conditions, bee colonies may be fed with organic honey, organic pollen, organic sugar syrups, or organic sugar (Derogation from point 1.9.6.2(b) of Part II of Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2018/848). Note: feeding bees is allowed for climatic reasons according to 1.9.6.2(b) of Part II of Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2018/848).

Moving bee colonies. Where the survival of the colony is endangered, bee colonies may be moved to areas not respecting the provisions for the placing of the apiaries (Derogation from points 1.9.6.5(a) and (c) of Part II of Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2018/848).

**Attached with request:**

1. EU (EC) or UK Seed Exemption Request form (and supporting documents)

Attached  Not applicable

1. For bee-related requests that are made due to an adverse climatic event, animal diseases, environmental incident, natural disaster, catastrophic event, or comparable situation, please provide a statement issued by the relevant authorities of your country in which the situation occurs. If such a statement is not available, please provide information from official organizations justifying the catastrophic circumstances.

Attached  Not applicable

1. Requested time period for the derogation (note: it should be for a limited period, no longer than necessary, and in no case longer than 12 months. The operation must continue or recommence organic production as carried out before the date of application of those derogations):

1. For grower groups, derogations must be requested for specific growers. Please indicate who the derogation is requested for:       OR  List Attached

Signature of Operator:       Date:

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| CDT Decision:  Approved   Not Approved | |
| Derogation length: | |
| Complete the following:  Notify the Director of Accreditation of any derogation approvals. Please provide:   * The name of the operator or operators concerned * The time period for the derogation * The type of production * The justification for the derogation * Statement from the relevant authority of the operation’s country **OR** if not available, justification or the non-inclusion of such a statement and the relevant data on which the recognition is based.   Issue Derogation Approval Letter  Add a finding to operator record in Ecert for follow-up at next inspection | |
| CDT Comments: | |
| CDT Member: | Date *(M/D/Y)*: |