

Contractual compliance agreement to the prohibition of genetically modified organisms as contained in the current version of Council Regulation 2092/91EWG

Producer:	
Name:	Tel./Fax:
Street:	e-mail:
Postal code/city:	Country:

We hereby confirm for the following product:

Article number	Precise product description

Component	Contractual compliance given (please check)	last organism(s) able to reproduce
	<input type="checkbox"/>	
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	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	

NB! Please include the organism(s) last used for the manufacturing process for all components contained in the product.

- (a) that this (these) product(s) is/are neither a genetically modified organism (GMO) itself, nor does it/do they contain any such organisms,
- b) that this product neither consists of GMOs, nor is it manufactured from GMOs. Neither do we have knowledge of any information that would implicate that this statement is incorrect.
- (c) We are in possession of a written compliance agreement from the producers of each individual risk component contained in the above-mentioned product, guaranteeing both (a) and (b). These agreements are in our hands and are neither expired nor withdrawn.

Consequently, the product(s) named above fulfill(s) the requirements of the current version of the EU Council Regulation Nr. 2092/91 in terms of the prohibition of GMOs (see back: excerpt from the regulations contained in the current version of the EU Council Regulation Nr. 2092/91) as well as the interpretation thereof attached to this agreement.

A specification of the exact composition of the above-mentioned product(s) is enclosed with this agreement.

With this agreement we are committed to make an immediate declaration of change, correction or withdrawal to our customers/buyers as soon as any deviation from the facts contained in this agreement or the agreements of our suppliers or service providers should occur.

We authorize our customer's/buyer's inspection board or an independent institution named by the inspection authority to verify the validity of our statement and to take samples for analysis if necessary.

This contractual agreement is valid up to one year from date of issue. The signatory is liable for the accuracy of the statements made in this agreement.

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Country/city/date

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Signature

.....
Company stamp



Excerpt from the Codex of the Council Regulation concerning the ban on genetically modified organisms
Council Regulation 2092/91EWG, currently valid version

Since the Regulation Amendment 1804/99EG, the currently valid version of Council Regulation 2092/91EWG prohibits the use of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) and/or any products derived from such organisms (GMO derivatives) in organic agriculture. In view of this ban, the following excerpts and definitions quoted from the regulation in question are to be observed:

Definition of terms:

Article 4

12. "Genetically modified organism (GMO)" shall mean any organism as defined in Article 2 of Council Directive (EEC) 90/220 of 23 April 1990 on the deliberate release into the environment of genetically modified organisms:

- Organism: Any biological unit capable of reproducing or of transferring genetic material
- Genetically modified organism (GMO): An organism of which genetic material has been modified in such a manner as could not occur naturally by cross-breeding and/or natural recombination.

13. "GMO derivative(product derived from GMOs)" shall mean any substance which is either produced from or produced by GMOs, but does not contain them.

14. "Use of GMOs and GMO derivatives(products derived from GMOs) shall mean their use as foodstuffs, food ingredients (including additives and flavourings), processing aids (including extraction solvents), feedstuffs, compound feedstuffs, feed materials, feed additives, processing aids for feedingstuffs, certain products used in animal nutrition under Directive 82/471/EEC, pesticides, veterinary medicinal products, fertilizers, soil conditioners, seeds, vegetative reproductive material and livestock.

Organic Foodstuffs:

Article 5(3)

In the labeling and advertisement of any plant or animal agricultural product intended for human consumption... a reference to the organic agricultural origin of the product can only be made if...

"(h) the product has been produced without the use of genetically modified organisms and/or any products derived from such organisms."

Article 5(5):

...plant or vegetable products may only be labeled with a reference to the conversion to organic agriculture if...

"(f) the product has been produced without the use of genetically modified organisms and/or any products derived from such organisms."

Article 5(5a):

In the labeling of any plant or animal agricultural product intended for human consumption and containing at least 70% agricultural ingredients from organic agriculture, the formula described in paragraph c) may only be referred to in the list of ingredients if...

"i) the product has been produced without the use of genetically modified organisms and/or any products derived from such organisms."

Organic Agricultural Production:

Article 6(1)

"(1) The organic production method implies that in the production of non-processed plant and animal products and livestock...

d) Genetically modified organisms and/or any product derived from such organisms must not be used, with the exception of veterinary medicinal products "

Seed:

Article 6 (2)

"(2) The organic production method implies that for seeds and vegetative reproductive material, the mother plant in the case of seeds and the parent plant(s) in the case of vegetative propagating material....

a) have been produced without the use of genetically modified organisms or products derived therefrom."

Feedingstuffs:

Annex I, B, 4.18

"Feedstuffs, feed materials, compound feedstuffs, feed additives, processing aids for feedstuffs and certain products used in animal nutrition cannot have been produced with the use of genetically modified organisms or products derived therefrom."