

Can an operation have two certifying agents?

Yes. But they must know about each other and any non-compliances and proposed actions issued by one must be respected by the other. If one issues a notice of proposed suspension and it becomes final, the action affects all certifications issued to the client. Certified operations that use multiple certifications to avoid suspension or revocation violate the NOP regulations and risk 5-year revocation for all responsibly connected parties. This practice includes dual certifications issued via recognition agreements.

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