



Pre-Test: USDA Organic Certification Workshop

Last 4 digits of your phone #: _____

For each question, please check the box that best describes you.

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| <p>1. How would you rate your knowledge of the USDA organic regulations?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Very knowledgeable<input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat knowledgeable<input type="checkbox"/> Not knowledgeable at all | <p>2. How likely are you to apply for USDA organic certification?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> I am going to apply<input type="checkbox"/> I may apply<input type="checkbox"/> I am not going to apply<input type="checkbox"/> I am undecided |
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Please select the correct response(s) for each of the following questions. Do not guess if you do not know the answer to the question. Any questions you do not know the answer to, leave blank.

1. True or False: Farm records must fully disclose all activities and transactions of the certified operation in sufficient detail as to be readily understood and audited; these records must be maintained for 5 years.
 - True
 - False

2. True or False: In order for the land to qualify for organic certification, the land must have had no prohibited substances applied to it for a period of 5 years immediately preceding harvest of the crop.
 - True
 - False

3. Why were the USDA organic standards created?
 - a. To support organic farmers.
 - b. To create a uniform definition of the term organic.
 - c. To prevent fraud.
 - d. To expand the organic market.
 - e. All of the above.
 - f. (b) and (c)

4. The national organic standards prohibit the use of all pesticides to control pest, weeds and diseases in organic farms.
 - True
 - False



5. Select the statement(s) that best describe fertility practices used in organic farms.
 - a. Organic farmers can only apply biosolids to the soil when they have been approved by the organic certification agency.
 - b. Organic farmers must only use manure from organic livestock.
 - c. Manure must be incorporated in to the soil 90 days prior to the harvest of potatoes.
 - d. Organic farmers that grow annual crops must manage crop nutrients and soil fertility through rotations and cover crops.

6. Choose the term that best completes the following statement.
Organic farmers must use _____ seeds, annual seedlings and planting stock.
 - a. Natural
 - b. Untreated
 - c. Organic
 - d. (a) and (c)
 - e. None of the above.

7. To prevent the unintended application of a prohibited substance to the crop or contact with a prohibited substance applied by your neighbor you must:
 - a. Have a buffer zone that is at least 30 feet wide.
 - b. Post “No Spray” signs around your farm.
 - c. Have distinct, defined boundaries and buffer zones.
 - d. (a) and (b)
 - e. Make sure you do not grow crops near conventional farms.

8. Choose the term that best completes the following statement. An organic farmer that sells agricultural products as “organic” but whose gross agricultural income from organic sales totals _____ or less, annually, is exempt from certification.
 - a. \$3,000
 - b. \$5,000
 - c. \$11,000
 - d. None of the above.

9. Livestock that are sold, labeled or represented as organic must be fed organic feed and pasture only when it is feasible for the farmer to source it in the quantity and quality needed.
 - True
 - False

10. By the end of the farm inspection, the inspector will be able to grant organic certification as long as he or she can verify compliance with the organic standards.
 - True
 - False