



MALTA

Direttorat tal-Agrikoltura

Agriculture Directorate

HOW TO BECOME AN ORGANIC OPERATOR IN MALTA

Objective:

The purpose of this document is to provide organic operators and any interested parties with the information and legal obligations required in order to become a certified organic operator in Malta.

Legal basis:

National: [Legal Notice 237 of 2004](#) and [Subsidiary Legislation 427.54](#).

Guidelines:

The organic regulation stipulates that any operator shall, prior to placing on the market any of the products as organic or in conversion to organic:

- (a) Notify his activity to the competent authorities of the Member State where the activity is carried out
- (b) Submit his undertaking to the control system

Where an operator contracts out any of the activities to a third party:

- The operator notifies his activity and submits his undertaking to the control system
- The subcontracted activities shall be subject to the control system

The following is a step by step account of the required legal procedures to be followed by any operator intending to place on the market any product as organic or in conversion to organic in Malta or the EU:

- Step 1: Notify your activities pertinent to organic to a competent authority (Agricultural Directorate) through the online eform through the following link.
- Step 2: Submit your undertaking to the control system with a recognised control authority and body (MCCAA).
- Step 3: Adhere to all European and national organic legislations and written instructions provided by control authority or control body and competent authority.