



# 2026 OEFFA Fees for Group B Handlers

**Due 9-1-26**

Fees must be paid with Organic System Plan (OSP) submission

Keep a copy of this form for your records

## BASIC INFORMATION

Operation Name		Operation #	
Contact Name		Phone	
Mailing Address		Fax	
City, State, Zip Code		Email	

### Important Information (check all that apply):

- I'm adding new products, equipment, or processes to my OSP.  
(Describe and list expected date of organic production: \_\_\_\_\_ )
- I'm adding a new facility to my OSP. Include New/Separate Facility Fee below.  
(Describe and list expected date of organic production at new facility: \_\_\_\_\_ )
- I've enclosed new label proofs for currently certified products. (Expected date of label use: \_\_\_\_\_ )
- Check this box if you do NOT wish to be an OEFFA member (membership is complimentary).

Inspection fees and expenses are additional and will be billed after the inspection. The inspection fee is determined by the complexity of your operation, the number of sites the inspector must visit, the length of the inspection, and the travel expenses incurred by the inspector. **Inspection fees typically range from \$300 to \$1,200.**

## Calculate your APPLICATION FEE

1. **Base Application Fee, based on your 2025 gross sales from organic products and services.** When calculating organic gross sales from the previous year, fair market value of the organic product should be used in situations where sales occur without exchanging money (trading, bartering, etc.). Organic Gross Sales will be verified at inspection. The National Organic Certification Cost Share Program, funded by Congress, typically reimburses 75% of certification fees up to \$750 per scope (crops, livestock, handling). Please contact your local FSA office or visit <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/resources/programs/organic-certification-cost-share-program-ocscsp> for more information.

2025 Organic Gross Sales	Application Fee		
≤ \$50,000	\$1,000		
\$50,001 - \$249,999	\$1,850		
\$250,000 - \$499,999	\$3,100		
\$500,000 - \$699,999	\$4,400		
\$700,000 - \$899,999	\$5,850		
\$900,000 - \$2,499,999	\$7,400		
\$2,500,000-\$4,999,999	\$9,300	Box 1. Enter your base application fee:	\$
\$5,000,000-\$9,999,999	\$11,400		
>\$10,000,000	\$15,600		

2. **Late fees apply to all applications postmarked after September 1st. You must add these to the standard deadline base application fee.** Late fees are not reimbursable. **October 1st is the FINAL RENEWAL DEADLINE.**

Postmarked date	Fee	Box 2. Enter late fee:	\$
September 2 <sup>nd</sup> to October 1st	\$200		
Nonrenewal fee October 1st	\$350		

3. **If you have separate facility sites (already certified or new) other than your primary address, include the separate facility fee.**

Box 3. Enter Separate Facility fee (\$250/location):	\$
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4. **If you have or are requesting international equivalency listed on your certificate or plan to export organic products to other countries, include the International Equivalency fee.**

Box 4. Enter International equivalence fee (\$150):	\$
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5. **Organic Plus Trust Grass-Fed Certification Fee** – If you are requesting Organic Plus Trust Grass-Fed certification, pay this fee.

<b>Box 5. Enter Grass-Fed fee (\$325):</b>	\$
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6. If you would like to rush your certification, choose from the following options:

<b>Rush Tier 1</b> – OEFFA will assign an inspector as soon as possible after the receipt of the <b>complete</b> OSP and payment; inspector will submit report within 2 business days of inspection; we will notify the operator of compliance issues or issue a certificate within 5 business days after the inspection report is received. Certification is not guaranteed.	<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>Box 6. Enter rush fee:</b>	\$
<b>Rush Tier 2</b> – OEFFA will make every effort to complete the process in less than 90 days. Certification is not guaranteed.	<b>\$500</b>		

7. If you would like us to make a copy of your full OSP and mail it back to you, include the OSP Copy fee.

<b>Box 7. Enter OSP copy fee (\$15):</b>	\$
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<b>Box 8. <u>ADD BOXES 1-7 FOR TOTAL FEES DUE WITH APPLICATION:</u></b>	\$
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<b>PAYMENT: Payment information must be included</b>
<b>Payment Portal (without processing fees):</b> We encourage you to pay application fees online via our payment portal: <a href="#">Handler Payment (Group B) - OEFFA Certification</a>
<b>CHECK:</b> Make payable to OEFFA Certification. Returned checks are subject to a \$20 administrative fee. Check #: _____ Check Date: _____
<b>CREDIT or DEBIT CARD:</b> Notify us if your card has a daily limit lower than the total due. Card Issuer: <input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> American Express <input type="checkbox"/> Discover Card #: _____ Expiration Date: ____/____/____ CVV/Security Code: _____ (3- or 4-digit code) Signature for Card: _____

<b>PAYMENT PLAN:</b> <i>You must apply by September 1<sup>st</sup> to request to split the Standard Fees into 2, 3, or 4 payments</i>
You must include a \$25 administrative fee with your 1 <sup>st</sup> payment
<b>To agree to these terms, fill in the following:</b>
The amount you entered in Box 8 is: \$_____.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>I will make two payments.</b> Divide the amount you wrote above by 2: \$_____. This amount + \$25 is what you must pay now. The remainder must be paid in full by 12/15.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>I will make three payments.</b> Divide the amount you wrote above by 3: \$_____. This amount + \$25 is what you must pay now. The remaining payments must be made by 12/15, 3/15
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>I will make four payments.</b> Divide the amount you wrote above by 4: \$_____. This amount + \$25 is what you must pay now. The remaining three payments must be paid by: 12/15, 3/15, and 5/15.

<b>Refunds and Additional Fees</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If an application is withdrawn or certification is surrendered after payment and before inspection, a refund of 80% of application fees may be granted for each withdrawn or surrendered scope. A higher percentage may be retained by OEFFA for additional services rendered between submission and withdrawal/surrender. No refunds will be given after inspection or for loss of certification due to denial, suspension or revocation. Refunds will not be issued to renewing operations after the following dates: September 1 for producers, October 1 for Group A handlers, and March 1 for Group B handlers. If the operation withdraws or surrenders after inspection or after the above dates for renewing operations, the full balance of certification fees for the year are still owed. Referral Discount - An OEFFA-certified operation that refers a new applicant to OEFFA will receive a discount of \$100 (via a refund) from their certification fee once the new applicant applies for certification. Certified operations that refer multiple new applicants will receive the \$100 discount once per applicant.</li> <li>A full schedule of services and fees with additional detail is available in the OEFFA Certification Policies &amp; Procedures manual.</li> </ul>

**Submit all application materials and payment to:**  
 OEFFA Certification, 150 East Wilson Bridge Road Suite 230, Worthington, OH 43085  
 Email: [organic@oeffa.org](mailto:organic@oeffa.org) Fax: (614) 421-2011  
 For any questions, call (614) 262-2022  
**Application and payment of fees does not guarantee certification.**