

Preparation (processing, repacking, labelling)

This is a summary of the Organic Canadian standard CAN/CGSB-32.310-2015.

You can access the official detailed standard here
<http://www.ecocertcanada.com/content/documents-and-forms>

Maintaining integrity (8.1)

- Central objective is to maintain the inherent organic qualities of the product through strict adherence to the procedures and principles of this standard.
- Incidental additives such as hand sanitizer, steam, lubricant shall not compromise organic integrity:.

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- Mechanical, physical or biological processes (such as fermentation and smoking) are permitted.
- To prevent commingling, organic products shall be segregated or otherwise protected from non-organic products at all times, for example, during processing, storage, at bulk and unbound stages

Maintaining integrity (8.2)

- If a production unit prepares both organic and non-organic products all necessary measures must be taken to separate, identify, prevent contamination.

Cleaning, disinfecting and sanitizing (8.2)

- Food-grade cleaners, disinfectants and/or sanitizers listed in Table 7.3 of CAN/CGSB-32.311 may be used as annotated, without rinse.
- If substances in Table 7.3 are ineffective, cleaners, disinfectants and/or sanitizers listed in Table 7.4 of CAN/CGSB-32.311 may be used on contact surfaces, provided that it is rinsed.
- If substances in Table 7.4 are ineffective, other products may be used on contact surfaces, provided that their efficiency is demonstrated, it is rinsed and effluent are neutralized.

Facility pest management (8.3)

- Good production and manufacturing practices shall be adopted to prevent pests, mechanical and physical methods, such as traps are allowed
- If ineffective, substances listed under tables 8.2 and 8.3 of CAN/CGSB-32.311 may be used but need to be recorded

Transportation (8.4)

- Every measure shall be taken to ensure that the integrity of organic inputs, ingredients and products is not compromised in transit. Must avoid commingling or substitution with non-organic inputs, ingredients and products
- The following information shall accompany organic product:
 - Name and address of the person or organization responsible for the product
 - Name of product
 - Organic status
 - Info to insure traceability such as lot number

Organic product composition (9.1)

- Organic product formulations shall consist primarily of organic whole or processed agricultural ingredients and organic processing aids.

Categorization of organic products (9.1)

- Methods to calculate organic content is at 9.1.3 of CAN/CGSB-32.310-2015.
- Organic products fall into two categories:(see Annex A of the standard) :
 - 95% or more organic ingredients
 - Between 70% and 95 % organic ingredients.

Categorization of organic products (9.2)

- 95 % or more organic ingredients:
 - Max. 5 % non organic ingredients (aids, additives)
 - All non organic **agricultural** ingredients must comply to 1.4 a) non GMO, 1.4 c) non irradiated and 1.4 h) non cloned, and are subject to commercially availability requirements.