

What is Organic Farming?

Organic Farming is a holistic farming system that aims into producing food respecting nature law, preserving farm biodiversity, soil life & quality, protecting environment & human health. This system contributes into realizing a development model that is **socially, economically & ecologically** sustainable.



Why Organic Certification?

With the emerging trend of people awareness on health & environment problem, the demand for organic food has been increasing rapidly over the past years. In order to guarantee that products are organic, they should be certified. Organic certification is the process of auditing an operation throughout its phases to ensure its compliance with organic regulations. Certification is done by special certification and inspection bodies.



Why obtain *LibanCert* Certification?

- Build on best Lebanese experts in organic inspection and certification.
- Lower cost than foreign inspection & certification bodies.
- Commitment by *LibanCert* to continuous capacity building for its inspectors & operators.
- Better control over the operators: no language barrier, more follow up.
- Competitive cost of laboratory analyses.



What are LibanCert services?

■ Inspection and certification – According to

- Lebanese Standards
- European Regulations (ECC 2092/91)
- US-NOP
- Japanese JAS
- Private standards (e.g. Demeter, Bio Suisse)
- EUREP-GAP



All LibanCert activities are achieved with the collaboration of the Swiss certification body "Bio.inspecta"

■ Control and certify:

- Farmers (plant & animal production)
- Processors
- Beekeepers
- Wild Product Collectors
- Packagers and Re-packers,
- Traders and Wholesalers
- Importers and Exporters
- Retailers
- Restaurants



■ Other services

- Input approval
- Training



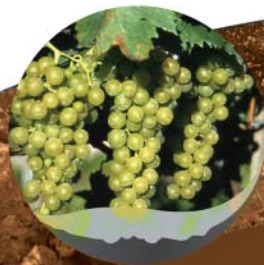
What are the requirements to be a member of LibanCert Certification System?

- Compliance with the organic regulations
- Keeping updated book records (purchases, sales, invoices, certificates...)
- For farmers, a **conversion period** is required

2 years for annual crops (Vegetables)



3 years for perennial crops (Fruit Trees)



How to apply for Certification by *LibanCert* ?

Filling an Application Form

■ For Farmers

- Filling a **Farm Management Plan**
- **Map** of the farm
- **Documents** verifying ownership or lease

■ For Processors

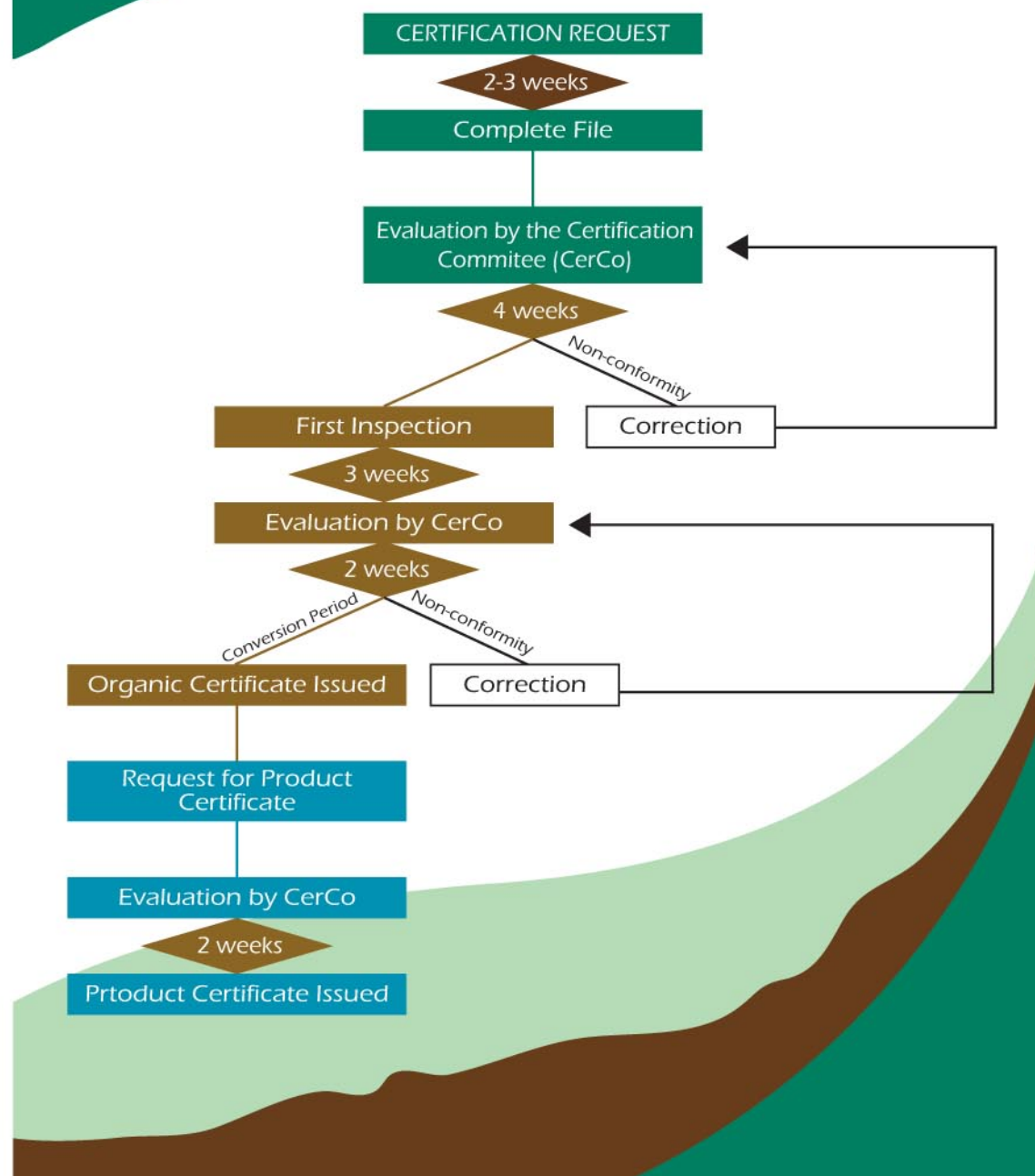
- Filling a **Process Specification Plan**
- **Plan** of the processing unit
- **Product recipes**

■ For Packagers, Labelers, and Others

- Filling a **Packaging and Labeling Process Plan**
- **Plan** of the holding unit
- **List of products to be certified**



Time to get Certified



Certification Request



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Company Name _____
Legal representative and / or owner name _____
Place and Date of Birth _____
Nationality _____ Education _____
Address _____
Tel _____ Fax _____ Mobile _____
E-mail _____

A. Farming unit

Name of the plot	Surface Du / Ha	Product (s) to be certified	Address of the plot

B. Processing, packager and labeller units

Name of the process / Brand name	Product (s) to be certified	Address of the hosting unit

C. Beekeeper D. Animal Production E. Wild products Other

Date _____

Signature _____