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FEE SCHEDULE 2026

NOOA Fees for New Applicants, T1, T2, T3 and Certified Organic Farms:

Certification	\$550.00
Self Identified COABC Membership Fee as per table below	
¹ Inspection Travel Costs Fee - See note below	TBD
² Late Fee	\$200.00
³ Self Identified COABC Fee - see chart below	
⁴ Credit for service on the Certification Committee	-\$100.00
Total Due:	

NOOA Fees for Verified Low Risk Organic Farms in Good Standing:

⁵ Low Risk Certification	\$405.00
Self Identified COABC Membership Fee as per table below	
¹ Inspection Travel Costs Fee - See note below	TBD
² Late Fee	\$200.00
³ Self Identified COABC Fee - see chart below	
⁴ Credit for service on the Certification Committee	-\$100.00
Total Due:	

Payment Options:

Cheques: Can be made out to NOOA and mailed to the address listed above.
Please include your completed Fee Schedule along with your payment.

E-transfers: Can be sent to the email address listed above.

¹ Inspection Travel Costs - Determined on a case by case basis. NOOA will cover up to a total of \$300 for inspection travel costs included with the certification fee. Inspection travel costs above \$300 will be subject to a 60:40 split Operator:NOOA. Operators will receive a second invoice for the Inspection Travel Costs post inspection. Note that NOOA admin work with VO's to coordinate the most cost effective options for travel.

²NOOA Late Application and Fee Payment Procedure

If the application fees have not been received and processed by March 20th:

- The application or renewal application cannot proceed (including arranging an inspection) until:
 - Fees are paid or a payment plan has been approved by the NOOA Administrator and Board Executives
 - Possible payment plans, on a bi-weekly or monthly schedule, with dates and amounts specified over a specific timeline, include: post-dated cheques or e-transfer payments
- A late fee of \$200 is applied and needs to be paid before the file is reactivated.
- The applicant's status is changed to "not in good standing" on NOOA's and OrganicBC's lists.

If the application and fees have not been received and processed by April 1, and there has been no communication with the NOOA Administrator:

- The applicant will miss inspection planning for the year, so will need to:
 - Pay full cost of the inspection or wait until the following year to apply.
 - For renewals, this means losing time towards transitional status and possible loss of full Certified Organic status due to the lapse.
- Possible payment plans, on a bi-weekly or monthly schedule, with dates and amounts specified over a specific timeline, include: post-dated cheques or e-transfer payments

³ COABC Membership Fee Table for 2026

Gross organic sales from previous year of participants in the BC Certified Organic Program	COABC Membership Fee (Fee Includes 5% GST)
<10k This is the minimum that can be paid	\$75.18
10k-20k	\$104.06
20k-30k	\$132.93
30k-40k	\$161.81
40k-50k	\$190.68
50k-60k	\$219.56
60k-70k	\$248.43
70k-80k	\$277.31

80k-90k	\$306.18
90k-100k	\$361.31
100k-125k	\$390.18
125k-150k	\$419.06
150k-175k	\$447.93
175k-200k	\$476.81
200k-300k	\$560.81
300k-400k	\$618.56
400k-500k	\$728.81

³ COABC Membership Fees Table

- This is a mandatory fee paid by all members
- Membership and Logo fees for OrganicBC are sliding scale based on the gross organic income from last year
- Please find the applicable category and include this fee with your application
- Fee is based on the accepted 2016 rate and includes 5% GST
- Please Note: the higher end of the scale has not been included for space purposes

⁴ Certification Committee and Board Member discounts will be treated as a credit towards the following years certification fees. If a member who has served time decides to not renew their certification with NOOA then a refund for the credited about amount will be issued.

⁵ Low Risk Farm Status

1. The operation must be assessed for risk and receive a low risk ranking from a certification committee
2. Operation must have received a valid organic certificate in all of the previous three years
3. Operation must not have outstanding conditions
4. Operation must not be exporting organic product out of BC
5. Operation must not practice parallel production
6. The operation's neighbouring land-use poses no threat of contamination
7. The operation keeps accurate, and current records
8. Operation must not process products beyond on-farm drying or packaging of own products.
9. Has the operation had any instances of significant non-compliance with the Canada Standards in the last three years?

If you meet the above requirements for Low Risk but have not yet been assessed please contact the Administrator to schedule an assessment at the time of this year's inspection. Regular NOOA

fees apply until Low Risk ranking has been officially granted by the Certification Committee. If granted, the reduced rates for Low Risk would apply the following year.