

Dear Sir/Madam

The Ministry of Agriculture adopted the Ordinance on the control system of organic agriculture (Official Gazette 110/2022), which establishes the principles, goals and rules for all participants of the organic system, and it was put into force on September 30, 2022.

In the following text, we highlight the most important changes that concern operators in the organic system:

- Chapter II – Entry in the Register of Subjects
  - Article 4 introduces a new division of categories in the Register of subjects with the addition of category F storage. Subjects dealing with service of storage must be registered in the new category F.
  - In Article 8, the requirements for recognition of a group of entities are defined in more detail.
  
- Chapter V. Control Agreement
  - according to Article 22, in case of transfer of the subject from one control body to another, it is necessary to submit the PKT form from Annex 7 to the previous control body, which is signed by the newly elected control body.
  
- Chapter VI. Production rules
  - Obligations of the subjects are described in Article 24.
  - According to Article 25, subjects that trade and/or produce and/or prepare plant reproduction material must be registered in the Database of organic agricultural reproduction material.
  
- Chapter VII. Exemptions from production rules
  - Retroactive recognition of the transition period is defined in Article 34, as well as all necessary documents for its recognition.
  
- Annexes to the Rulebook on the Control System of Organic Agriculture:
  - Annex 19 contains a list of border crossings for the import of ecological products from third countries.
  - The catalog of corrective measures is an integral part of the Ordinance, found in Annex 17, and adapted to Regulation (EU) 2018/848.

The link where you can find the New ordinance: <https://www.bio-garantie.hr/hr/usluge/service-505~hrvatski-ekolo-ki-propisi>

For any additional questions, we are at your disposal!

Your Bio Garantie Croatia team