

Flavor Affidavit

The US NOP allows the use of natural (non-synthetic) flavors in products labeled as *Organic* and *Made with Organic...(specified ingredients or food groups)*. The FDA defines Natural Flavors as:

“The term *natural flavor* or *natural flavoring* means the essential oil, oleoresin, essence or extractive, protein hydrolysate, distillate, or any product of roasting, heating or enzymolysis, which contains the flavoring constituents derived from a spice, fruit or fruit juice, vegetable or vegetable juice, edible yeast, herb, bark, bud, root, leaf or similar plant material, meat, seafood, poultry, eggs, dairy products, or fermentation products thereof, whose significant function in food is flavoring rather than nutritional. Natural flavors include the natural essence or extractives obtained from plants listed in §§ 182.10, 182.20, 182.40, and 182.50 and part 184 of this chapter, and the substances listed in § 172.510 of this chapter.” *FDA 21 CFR Part 101.22(a)(3)*

In addition, natural flavors must meet the NOP requirements for Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO’s), Irradiation, and the Natural Flavor Annotation as defined on the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (7 CFR 205.605).

QAI requests that the supplier and/or manufacturer of the natural flavor completes the following affidavit for each flavor used in organic products¹:

I hereby declare that the following is true for the product(s) named below:

as supplied to (Name of QAI Certified Client):

(Circle Yes or No – Please note, if you answer No to any of the points, the flavor is not allowed in organic products)

Yes	No	1. The flavor(s) listed above meets the <i>Natural Flavor</i> definition as described in <i>FDA 21 CFR Part 101.22(a)(3)</i> (see above)
Yes	No	2. The flavor(s) listed above is <u>non-synthetic</u> ² and has not been produced using synthetic solvents and carrier systems or any artificial preservatives.
Yes	No	3. The flavor(s) listed above is not derived from products or ingredients that contain genetically modified organisms (GMO’s) and has not been produced with GMOs.
Yes	No	4. The flavor(s) listed above has not been irradiated.

Name of Person Completing this Form: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

Company Name: _____

¹ The term “Organic Products” refers to products sold, labeled, or represented as “Organic” or “Made with Organic (specified ingredients or food groups)”

² Where “synthetic” is defined as “a substance that is formulated or manufactured by a chemical process or by a process that chemically changes a substance extracted from naturally occurring plant, animal, or mineral sources, except that such term shall not apply to substances created by naturally occurring biological processes.”