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START

Before importing

→ Registration of the importing company with the relevant authorities and certification by a control body licensed in Germany

→ Make contact with the exporter in the third country

→ Three important pieces of information must be known:

- 1 the third country from which the products are to be imported,
- 2 the products to be imported,
- 3 the competent control body/bodies of the exporter and of all the processors, traders and producers.

Procedure 1

Importing organic products from **recognised third countries**

Regulation (EU) 2018/848, Art. 48 (applies until 31 December 2026)

→ Do all of the ingredients of the product comply with the origin requirements of the recognised third country?

↓ NO

→ YES

→ Does the product fall into a product category specified in Annex I to the Regulation (EU) 2021/2325 in the recognised third country?

↓ NO

→ YES

→ Are the control bodies of the exporter and of all the processors, traders and producers involved listed in Annex I to the Regulation (EU) 2021/2325 for the third party in question?

↓ NO

→ YES

Import

with a certificate of inspection (COI) issued by the exporter's control body via TRACES NT

Procedure 2

Importing organic products according to a **list of third country control bodies**

Regulation (EU) 2018/848, Art. 57 in conjunction with Regulation (EU) 2021/2325
Implementing Regulation (EU) Annex II (applies until 31 December 2024)

→ Are the control bodies of all the establishments involved listed in Annex II to the Regulation (EU) 2021/2325 for the third country?

↓ NO

→ YES

→ Are the control bodies for the product category into which the product falls licensed for this in Annex II of the Regulation (EU) 2021/2325?

↓ NO

→ YES

Import

with a certificate of inspection (COI) issued by the exporter's control body via TRACES NT

Procedure 3

Importing organic products from **countries with trade agreements**

Regulation (EU) 2018/848, Art. 47

→ Are the control bodies listed in the list of countries with trade agreements?

↓ NO

→ YES

→ Are the control bodies for the product category into which the product falls listed in the list of countries with trade agreements?

↓ NO

→ YES

Import

with a certificate of inspection (COI) issued by the exporter's control body via TRACES NT
Exception for Switzerland:
no handling via TRACES NT

It is not possible to import the product as an organic product