

# Derogation Application Form

Operation Name	
Certification Number	

## Select derogation type below:

- ☐ Use of prohibited substances and/or practices where mandated control is required.
- ☐ Use of plastic mulching.
- ☐ For introduction of conventional livestock.
- ☐ For feeding of hives under extreme climatic or other extenuating circumstances.
- ☐ For supplementing livestock feed with a small percentage of non-organic, agricultural-origin material to address nutritional deficiencies.
- ☐ Exemption for the feeding of organic/bio-dynamic feedstuff to certified livestock in situations of extreme climatic or other extenuating circumstances.
- ☐ Minimum 5% biodiversity requirement.
- ☐ Burning of crop residues or pastures.
- ☐ Other.

## State the reason for the derogation application:

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I have attached all the required evidence for this application as required by the below Annex to this document:

☐ YES      ☐ NO

Name	
Signature	
Date	

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## Annex (Evidence Required)

### **Use of prohibited substances and/or practices where mandated control is required. NS 1.4.2.**

#### **Evidence Required:**

- Summary of attempts to use organic compliant controls or reasons why such controls would be ineffective (if applicable).
- Letter from government authority mandating use of prohibited substances and/or practices, or publication identifying declared pest or weed status, biosecurity obligations, etc.
- Map clearly identifying the land to be treated and excluded from certification, means of exclusion and identification on the ground (e.g., fencing, signage), and an estimate of the land area (in hectares or square metres) to be removed.
- Identity of prohibited substance used or intended for use (attach label or SDS if available).

### **Use of plastic mulching. NS 1.8.4.**

#### **Evidence Required:**

- Composition of the mulch (e.g., specification sheet, SDS, labelling).
- Updated Organic Farm Plan, and justification by client.

### **For introduction of conventional livestock. NS 1.14.3, Table 3.**

#### **Evidence Required:**

- Date the livestock entered the system.
- Attempts to source certified organic livestock if applicable.
- NVDs if applicable.
- OMP includes details of compliant livestock identification, quarantine practices, and records as well as identification of the quarantine paddock if applicable.
- Identities, dates, and withholding periods of last application of prohibited/synthetic parasiticides or allopathic veterinary treatments (if known).
- Date of last provision of non-organic feed.

### **For feeding of hives under extreme climatic or other extenuating circumstances. NS 1.23.6.**

#### **Evidence Required:**

- Written application from operator.
- Hives are located in an area subject to extreme climatic or other extenuating circumstances (examples might be online drought data (e.g., QLD Long Paddock, NSW Drought Hub, BOM rainfall deficiencies, insurance claims, etc.)).
- Details of site(s) that hives are to be relocated to.
- Details of supplementary feed to be provided (organic status, GMO status for risk species, verification it is chemically untreated, etc.).

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**For supplementing livestock feed with a small percentage of non-organic, agricultural-origin material to address nutritional deficiencies. NS 1.16.4.**

Evidence Required:

- Evidence of at least three attempts to source certified organic feed material (correspondence with certified organic suppliers, database search results, etc.). Other justifications may be accepted on a case-by-case basis, provided that they demonstrate a genuine effort on your part to use organic feed material wherever possible.
- Feed is free from prohibited substances or contaminants (as evidenced by residue testing or supplier declaration), and
- Constitutes no more than 5% of the feed ration (e.g., calculations by client, auditor, or consultant).
- Identification by the client of the nutritional deficiencies to be addressed by provision of the supplement.

**Exemption for the feeding of organic/bio-dynamic feedstuff to certified livestock in situations of extreme climatic or other extenuating circumstances. NS 1.16.9.**

Evidence Required:

- Evidence that the production unit has been affected by extreme climatic or other extenuating circumstances (such as fires, floods, etc) (examples might be online drought data (QLD Long Paddock, NSW Drought Hub, BOM rainfall deficiencies)).
- In Conversion certification details of feed, if applicable.
- If conventional feed, evidence of non-GMO (for risk species) and non-contamination (e.g.: supplier declaration, residue testing).

**Minimum 5% biodiversity requirement. NS 1.4.2.**

Evidence Required:

- Map and Statutory Declaration confirming the size of the production unit is < 4 Ha.
- Written statement or OFP stating reasons why area dedicated to biodiversity conservation is not possible.

**Burning of crop residues and pastures. ACOS 4.6.8, NOP 205.203(e)(3)**

Evidence Required:

- Justification (e.g. description of the disease intended for suppression)
- Estimate of the land area burned.