



# ORGANIC SEARCH - PRODUCER

Nonorganic seed or planting stock may only be used if an equivalent organically produced variety is not commercially available in the appropriate form, quality, or quantity necessary to fulfill the needs of the operation. A minimum of three sources *that carry organic seed or planting stock* must be consulted before nonorganic seed or planting stock may be purchased. Use this form to document your attempts to source organic varieties and provide an explanation for sourcing nonorganic varieties. Note that if an organic search is performed by your seed dealer, or if specific varieties are requested by your buyer, you are responsible for ensuring that the search meets these requirements. Alternatively, if you follow a standard operating procedure for purchasing organic seed and you source seed or planting stock from catalogs, have the catalogs you consulted (at least three companies that carry organic seed or planting stock) along with your reasons for purchasing nonorganic seed available at inspection. For guidance and clarification on equivalent variety considerations for form, quality or quantity criteria, see [NOP 5029 Guidance Seeds, Annual Seedlings, and Planting Stock in Organic Crop Production](#).

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