

**Key considerations for a consignment contract
about attaching Organic JAS logos
(DRAFT)**

The requirement of the curriculum about grading labels prescribed in the Section V of “The Technical Criteria for Certifying Importers of Organic Plants and Organic Processed Foods of Plant Origin” could be completed by reading thoroughly and understanding following items.

I. The types of organic products to which could be attached Organic JAS logos through consignment contracts with JAS certified importers

(i) Organic plants (including fungi)

ex.) vegetables, fruits, grains, fresh coffee beans, sugar canes, fungi

(ii) Organic processed foods of plant origin (except for the organic processed products of which weight of livestock products is more than 5%)

ex.) processed vegetables, processed fruits, processed grains, coffee beans, sugar, black chocolate, tea

Note) Other types of organic products than those above (i) and (ii) shall not be attached Organic JAS logos through consignment contracts with JAS certified importers.

II. The method to attach Organic JAS logos to organic products

(i) Appointment of a person in charge of attaching Organic JAS logos

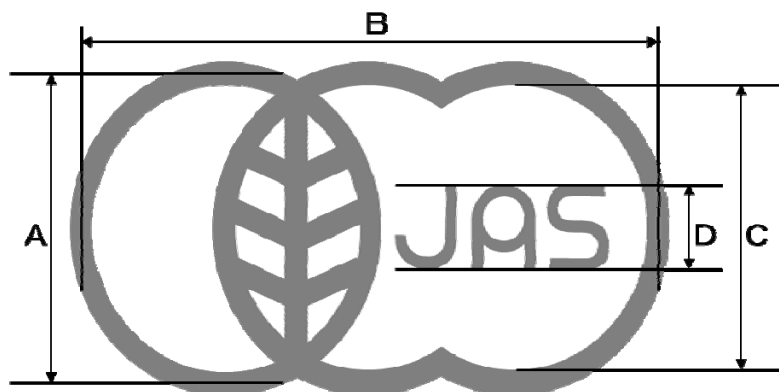
In order to enter into a consignment contract with JAS certified importers about attaching Organic JAS logos, a person in charge of attaching Organic JAS logos shall be appointed.

The person shall understand the types of organic products attaching Organic JAS logos, the form of Organic JAS logos and the way of writing reports to JAS certified importers.

(ii) Confirmation of the form of Organic JAS logos

Organic JAS logos are as the diagram below indicates. The names of registered certifying bodies who have certified those certified importers shall be described. Thus, those Organic JAS logos whose forms are specified by those certified importers shall be attached.

Diagram: The format of the JAS logo



Name of RCB

- (1) A is more longer than 5mm.
- (2) B is twice as long as A. D is three-tenths of C.
- (3) The height of names of RCBs is the same as D.
- (4) The names of RCBs can be described as abbreviated names.

Note) In the case of entering into multiple consignment contracts with multiple JAS certified importers, those certified importers could sometimes have different names of those registered certifying bodies.

Thus, after confirming those forms of Organic JAS logos specified by those certified importers, Organic JAS logos shall be attached.

(iii) Operations after attaching Organic JAS logos (reports to JAS certified importers)

In the case of attaching Organic JAS logos to organic products shipping to JAS certified importers, documents for each lot written with names, quantities and shipping dates of those organic products attaching Organic JAS logos (if feasible, lot numbers, weights, etc. are included) should be shipped with those organic products and reported to those certified importers. Those copies should also be kept.

Those contents of shipped documents could be kept in electronic form.

For reference, a format example of a report to a certified importer is attached as follows. However in the case that an invoice includes all of the contents of the format, the report is not necessary to be shipped separately.

Table: Report to JAS Certified Importer (Example)

To JAS certified importer					
Quantity of attached JAS logos					
Invoice No. : ABCD-123					
Commodity Name	Lot Number	Organic Products		JAS Logos	
		Quantity	Weight	Number of Attaching	Date of Attaching
Organic Raisin	abc-123	1,000cs	20,000kg	1,000	April 1st, 2013
Soybean	def-456	200bags	6,000kg	200	April 2nd, 2013
Tomato Juice	ghi-789	100cs	240kg	1,200	April 3rd, 2013
Notes) If operators would like to inform certification numbers, etc. of the importers, they could be written here.					
Date					
Signature of the person in charge of attaching JAS logos					

III Supplemental

EU certified operators who contract with JAS certified importers can attach EU Organic logos, etc. to their organic products in addition to attaching Organic JAS logos.

IV Reference

The information of the system of organic JAS system is available on the following MAFF's website.

<http://www.maff.go.jp/e/jas/specific/organic.html>

In the case of attaching Organic JAS logos actually, EU certified operators should consult with JAS certified importers, who contract with EU certified operators, and attach Organic JAS logos as appropriately as JAS current certified importers can.

