# Labeling

Frequently asked questions about organic certification under

the Mexican Organic Produce Law (LPO)

## How do we identify the certified organic products under the Mexican Organic Produce Law?

The label of certified organic products under the LPO must have the following information:

- Authorization number (issued by the Secretariat) of the Certification Organization that certified.
- Logo of the Certification Organization that certified.
- Number of Organic Certificate, issued by a certification authorization authorized by the Secretariat of Agriculture and Rural Development.
- The National Emblem for Organic Products (optional).
- The term "Organic" in the sales statement or the list of ingredients.
- Declaration that the product is free of genetically modified organisms.

Additional data such as: contact data and/or number of identification from the Organic Operator.

#### The use of the National Emblem is mandatory?

No, the AGREEMENT to communicate the Guidelines for the Organic Operation of agricultural and livestock breeding activities establishes that any product designated as "organic" or "100% organic" <u>can</u> use the National Emblem.

#### Who can use the National Emblem?

In accordance with the AGREEMENT that communicates the National Emblem for Organic Products and establishes the general rules for use in the labeling of certified organic products, any products that comply with the Organic Produce Law, its Regulations and applicable provisions, are produced in the United Mexican States, and apply before the certification organization for authorization to use the National Emblem, can use the National Emblem.

### Can a certified foreign product be identified as "organic", "eco" or "bio" in Mexico?

Only products that comply with the Organic Produce Law can be labeled as "organic" or the like. Imported organic product must come from countries with which there is an equivalency agreement. If that is not the case, the products must be certified by an organic certification organization authorized by the Secretariat.