DAFM Organic Farming Scheme (OFS) 2022 How to Apply Farming Considerations

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#### DAFM Organic Farming Scheme 2022- Steps to Apply



## **Step 1: Register with Organic Certification Body**

#### **Competent Authority in Ireland**

# Dept. of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

#### Approved private sector body

**Organic Certification Bodies** 







# **Step 1 Register with Organic Certification Body**

Irish Organic Association



- Based in Unit 13 Inish Carraig, Golden Island, Athlone, Co. Westmeath,
- Phone: 090 643 3680
- Email: info@irishoa.ie
- Website:

www.irishorganicassociation.ie

#### **Organic Trust**



- Based in Unit M4, Naas Town Centre, Dublin Road, Co. Kildare, W91 F7X3.
- Tel: 045 882377
- Email: info@organictrust.ie
- Website: <u>www.organictrust.ie</u>



# Application Checklist to Organic Certification Body

- Organic Conversion/Management Plan
- Animal Health Plan (if applicable)
- Soil Results
- Farmyard Sketch
- Farm Map
- Org 1 Form
- OCB Forms



## Step 2: Apply to Join the DAFM Organic Farming Scheme

 Having registered as an organic farmer with the Organic Certification Body a person then can apply to the DAFM to join the OFS

Submit separate Organic Farming Scheme (OFS) application
ONLINE (www.agfood.ie) Deadline: 8th April 2022



### Step 3 : Submit a 2022 BPS Application

 Choose "in-conversion" or "organic" land parcels on 2022 BPS (Basic Payment Scheme) application ONLINE.
Deadline: 16th May 2022.



#### Step 4 : Complete 25 hour QQI Course on Organic Production

For information on Teagasc

25 hour QQI

**Organic Farming Principles** 

course go to:

#### www.teagasc.ie/organics

A copy of Certificate showing successful completion must be uploaded as part of the OFS online application on or before **1**<sup>st</sup> **November 2022** 





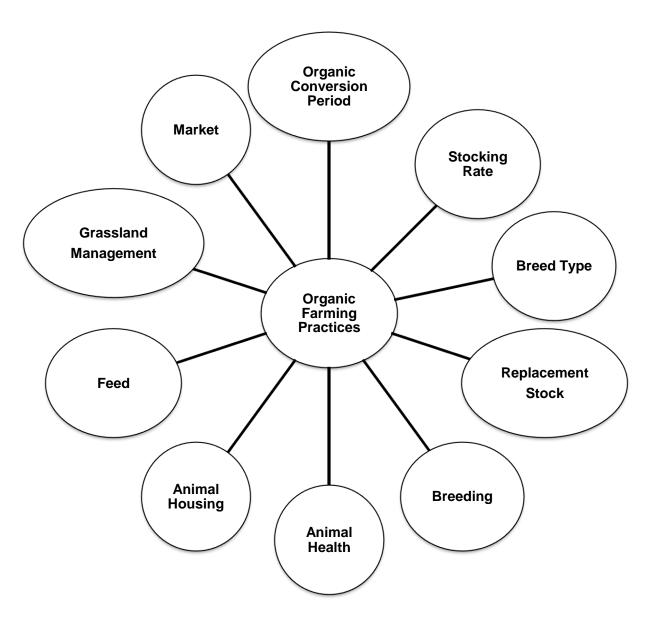
#### Organic Farming as an Option – Farming Considerations



### **Organic Livestock Considerations**

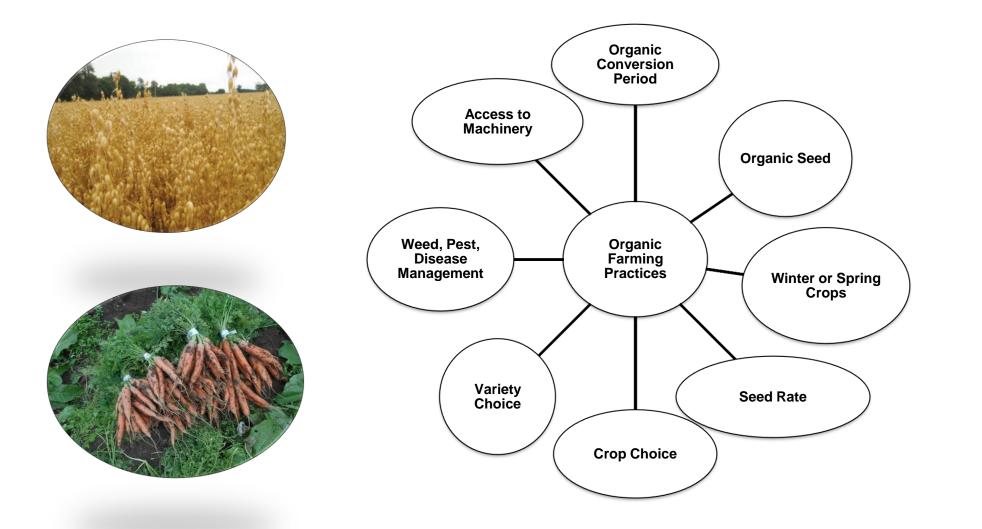




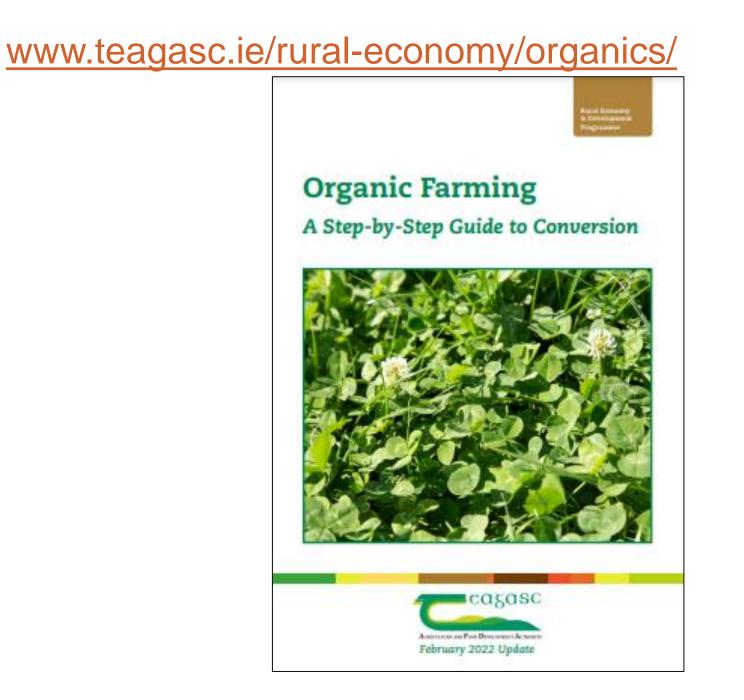




#### **Organic Crops Considerations**











An Roinn Talmhaíochta, Bia agus Mara Department of Agricalture, Food and the Marine



Teagasc, Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine and organic organisations invite all farmers and members of the public to see organic farming in practice and to meet and speak with the producers and sector's experts.

#### Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March | 12pm

Seamus Howard, Gortlecka, Kilnaboy, Ennis, Co. Clare Dairy

Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> March | 12pm

Brigid O'Connor, Gleann na Gealt, Camp, Tralee, Co. Kerry Hill Sheep, Agri - Tourism

Wednesday, 20th April | 12pm Ross & Amy Jackson, Lacka, Carrig, Birr, Co Tipperary Cereals, Sheep

Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> May | 12pm Andrew & Leonie Workman, Dunany Flour Organic, Drogheda, Co Louth Cereals, Milling Flour

Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> May | 2pm Mark & Grainne Duffy, Clogher, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan Poultry-eggs, Cereals, BeefFinishing

> Wednesday, 1\* June | 2pm John Hurley, Castle Hill House, Knockalaughta, Ballintubber, Castlerea, Co Roscommon Suckler to Weanling, Sheep

Wednesday, 8th June | 2pm Fergal Byrne, Calverstown Little, Dunlavin, Co Kildare Sheep, Cereals, Beef Finishing

Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> June | 2pm Donal & Frederique Keane, Camelton Stud, Summerhill, Co Meath Suckler to Beef, Cereal

> Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June | 2pm Clive Bright, Ardsallagh, Ballymote, Co. Sligo Beef, Direct Selling

Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> July | 2pm Gavin Tully, Clonhenritte, Camolin, Enniscorthy, Co Wexford Cereals

Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> July | 2pm Declan Houlihan, Corrigeen Organic Farm, Rathcabin, Birr, Co Offaly Cereals, Poultry-eggs

Tuesday, 19th July | 2pm

Rose O Sullivan & Martin Fox, Spring Cottage Organic Farm, Parke, Kinnegad, Co Westmeath Fieldscale Vegetables, Protected Cropping, Cereals, Poultry-eggs, Direct Selling



# **Thank You**

