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| **Demeter UK and BDA Organic** |
| **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF NON-ORGANIC HERD EXPANSION** |

**Derogations should be sought before the livestock are ordered.**

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| Scope | To record the objective evidence for justifying the use of non-organic animals by a producer to Defra in accordance with Article 9 of retained Commission Regulation (EC) 889/2008 and Article 14(1)(a)(ii) of Retained Council Regulation (EC) 834/2007. |
| Responsibility | Competent Authority, Operators, Control Bodies, Inspectors. |

Control Body

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| Control Body |  |

**Applicant’s Details**

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| Name of producer |  |
| CB registration number |  |
| Address of producer |  |
| Location if different |  |

**Farm Details**

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| Species and breed of animals |  |
| Number of existing breeding stock on farms |  |

**Derogation Details**

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| Breed(s) of species required to be brought in |  |
| Number of species required to be brought in |  |
| Date species required to be brought in |  |

**Evidence for the Derogation (Please complete one or both of the boxes below)**

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| Names and contact details of at least three suppliers that have been contacted in attempts to source the organic animals, and dates contacted |  |
| Have you posted an advertisement on a recognised organic marketplace (see Annex B) for at least five working days without response? Which marketplace did you advertise on and when? |  |

**Justification for the Derogation**

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| Information as to why it is necessary to introduce over the permitted % of non-organic animal/s on the farm, and why available organic animals are not suitable |  |

**Dates**

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| Date of application receipt by CB |  |
| Date of application sent to Defra |  |

Control Body Approval

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| Date application received |  | | |
| Date approved |  | | |
| Declaration | *In our role as this operator’s Control Body, we have reviewed this application and agree that the organic livestock required is not available on the GB market and that the operator has done all they reasonably can to source it. It is our view that this application is justified and should be approved.* | | |
| Approved by |  | Position |  |
| Signature |  | Date |  |

**ANNEX B – ORGANIC MARKETPLACES**

This annex lists suitable marketplaces that could be used to advertise the requirement for organic produce in line with the guidance included in this document. Please note that this list is not definitive and other marketplaces may be suitable, but this must be confirmed with the Defra organics team prior to the advertisement being placed.

**Suggested marketplaces:**

* Meadow Quality (<https://www.meadowq.co.uk/>)
* OF&G Classifieds ads (<https://ofgorganic.org/classifieds>)
* OrganicXseeds UK (<https://www.organicxseeds.co.uk/>)
* Sell My Livestock (<https://sellmylivestock.com/>)
* Soil Association Organic Marketplace (<https://www.soilassociation.org/farmers-growers/market-information/organic-marketplace/>)
* Welsh Organic Scheme Classifieds ads (<https://www.welshorganic.co.uk/classifieds/all-adverts>