



UNFI Import Safety Standards and Organic Products

The National Organic Program (NOP) administers national production, handling, and labeling standards for organic agricultural products. The NOP accredits the certifying agents (foreign and domestic) who inspect organic production to certify that they meet USDA standards. All food and beverage products sold in the U.S. that display the USDA Organic Logo on the packaging must conform to these federally mandated standards.

UNFI's primary business is that of a distributor of branded products from branded product companies located all over the world. In instances where UNFI is offering product for sale to its customers and where it has control of the origin of product, UNFI prefers to source product from domestic sources.

UNFI recognizes that there are products that are indigenous to, and/or, only available from sources outside of the U.S. including those products that come from China. As a percentage of the products UNFI has decision making responsibility for purchasing only approximately 4% comes from China.

UNFI focuses on establishing longstanding relationships with responsible and trusted suppliers, who have demonstrated over time the ability to provide the highest quality product, in the most efficient manner, and within mandated specifications.

UNFI uses a number of different tools to address Food Safety, quality while addressing specific needs of individual commodities. We employ some or all of the following measures to ensure food safety, quality and integrity:

- UNFI suppliers must provide a certificate of assurance for each lot of product received. This certificate may include:
 - Microbial testing results
 - FDA or third party audit worksheet
 - Internal check sheet performed by quality control personnel
- Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points (HACCP)
- Third Party Certification
- USDA Organic Certification by accredited agencies:
 - ISO 14001 – International Environmental Management Standards
 - ISO 90001 – International Quality Management Standards