

## General News

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### Direct Debit payment scheme

We have now set up our own Direct Debit payments scheme, to replace the scheme financed by Premium Credit. As well as some minor improvements in our administration, we are able to reduce costs to clients using this facility. Premium Credit charged between £35.00 and £60.00 for the facility over 12 months. Our Direct Debit scheme charges an administration fee of £15.00 for a 10 months facility, or we can offer a 3 months facility with a reduced administration fee of £5.00.

Anyone interesting in using this service should contact their Certification Officer.

### OF&G branded products launched

We're delighted to announce the introduction of an expanded range of OF&G branded items to support licensees. There are already OF&G produce stickers available (which we have been able to substantially reduce the price of), but now we've added a selection of eye-catching bags to the line-up. These include a very nice re-usable jute bag sporting a big OF&G logo, fully bio-degradable carrier bags and smaller produce bags that allow you to write weights and quantities on the labels. We also have new meat stamps.

All of the items are ideal for use in shops, box schemes, market stalls and beyond. And the jute bags could be an ideal promotional gift or even an attractive item for re-sale to your customers. We'll be adding more details, pictures, prices and ordering information to our website soon and you can talk to your Certification Officer in the meantime if you are interested in ordering sooner.

Don't forget too that we have informative leaflets available free of charge which explain to your customers the benefits of organic food and your certification with OF&G. Call the office if you would like some sent out.

## Technical News for Processors

### Revised inspection requirements

All of the processor inspection documentation has been reviewed and revised. This means that you will be asked to undertake a full mass balance reconciliation, prior to the inspection, for all organic incoming and finished goods. You will also be asked to provide the Inspector with a copy of your organisational chart, flow chart, supplier list, organic procedure, recipe sheet and labels. These will form part of the Inspection Report and will be assessed by the Certification Officer during the certification process.

The inspection paperwork for on-farm processors is now the same as for stand alone processors.

You will receive a Processor Inspection Checklist as part of your pre-inspection paperwork which lists all of these requirements.

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## Importation of Goods from Third Countries

As you may be aware, the existing system was due to change at the end of 2006. However DEFRA are still in the process of formulating various lists and have indicated that the existing system will remain in place for the foreseeable future.

If you are a new applicant or wish to request an amendment to your existing DEFRA Import Authorisation, then the procedure remains the same; namely the completion of the OB8 or OB8b respectively.

If your DEFRA import authorisation is due for renewal any time after 31/12/2006, then DEFRA will automatically re-issue this for another year and charge you £20.

If you do not wish to have your DEFRA Import Authorisation extended then you must inform DEFRA, otherwise you will be charged £20 and no refund will be issued.

## OF&G in the News

### Milking being single

An OF&G licensee is among five farmers taking an usual approach to finding a girlfriend. Iwan Jones, 30, dreamt up the idea of putting their faces and pleas for a partner on the milk bottles of their co-operative, Calon Wen. Iwan said that as the co-op was founded to support family farms, it was a bit of joke that a quarter of members were still single. Iwan, from Groes, near Denbigh in North Wales, is a director of Calon Wen. We've yet to hear whether the plea has paid off...

## Staff News

### New additions to OF&G staff

#### New Quality Systems Administrator.

We have expanded our Quality Systems team to include another Administrator. Lorraine Pickering is working alongside Simon Evans to send out annual inspection paperwork, archiving and helping to produce the newsletter. Following completion of a course in Office Technology and Medical Administration Lorraine has worked in administration for the NHS and the Dept for Work and Pensions, and is a welcome addition to the administration staff team.

#### New face on certification team

OF&G is delighted to welcome its newest recruit Haydn Davies as a Trainee Certification Officer. Hadyn, 22, has joined the team at our Shrewsbury Head Office. As with all our COs Haydn comes with a background in the industry. His family farms at Guilsfield, near Welshpool, and he has a degree from Harper Adams University College in Agriculture and Environmental Management.

Hadyn said: "I'm really pleased to have been given this opportunity by Organic Farmers & Growers and I'm finding the organic sector to be a fascinating field to work in. I look forward to getting to know as many of our licensees as possible."

OF&G Chief Executive, Richard Jacobs, added: "Lorraine and Haydn are great additions to our growing team and we're pleased to welcome them on board."

### OF&G Evaluation Scheme products

The following products have recently been accepted into the OF&G Evaluation Scheme as 'Product Approved for Use in Organic Systems' or 'Product Approved for Restricted Use, Derogation Required'

Category	Name	Supplier	Telephone	OF&G Status	Expiry Date
Insect Control	Exofly AH Fly Trap	Exosect	02380 763838	Approved	31/7/07
Insect Control	Exomite Apis Hive Cleaner	Exosect	02380 763838	Approved	31/7/07
Insect Control	ExosecCM Auto-Confusion	Exosect	02380 763838	Approved	31/7/07
Fertilizer	Laws Calcium	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Fertilizer	Laws High K	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07

OF&G Evaluation Scheme products continued



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Fertilizer	Laws High N	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Fertilizer	Laws Magnesium	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Seed Protector	Laws Seed Protector	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Insect Barrier	Laws K Repellant	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Fertilizer	Laws Foliar N	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Fertilizer	Laws High P	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved	31/8/07
Fertilizer	Laws Fungicide	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved with derogation	31/8/07
Fertilizer	Laws Insecticide	Law's Fertilizers	01354 740740	Approved with derogation	31/8/07
Ingredients	Traditionally Harvested Sea Salt	Taviusa Ltd	00351 281 322179	Approved	30/9/07
Animal Feed Supplement	Orgamin	Uncle Ted's Organics Ltd	01422 349118	Approved	30/9/07
Animal Health Product	Herbacyte Premix	Uncle Ted's Organics Ltd	01422 349118	Approved	30/9/07
Animal Health Product	Herban Premix	Uncle Ted's Organics Ltd	01422 349118	Approved	30/9/07
Disinfectant - Cleaning Agent	Nivirox	Uncle Ted's Organics Ltd	01422 349118	Approved	30/9/07
Silage Additive	Axphast Gold	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Axcool Gold	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Bio Hay	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Wholecrop Gold	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Wholecrop Legume	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Biocrimp	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Bio Grain	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Maizecool Gold	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Biotol SC Original	Biotol Limited	02920 475550	Approved	31/10/07
Silage Additive	Sil-All Granular	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Silage Additive	Sil-All Liquid Applied	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Silage Additive	Sil-All 4x4 Liquid Applied	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Silage Additive	Sil-All 4x4 Granular	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Silage Additive	Sil-All 4x4	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Silage Additive	Sil-All Water Soluble	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Mycosorb	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Yea-Sacc Farm Pak Premixture	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved with derogation	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Nupro	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Yea-Sacc TS	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Yea-Sacc Powder Premixture	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved with derogation	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Bio-Mos	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved with derogation	30/11/07
Animal Feed Additive	Bio-Mos MR	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved with derogation	30/11/07
Vitamins and Minerals	Bioplex Zinc	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Vitamins and Minerals	Bioplex Copper	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Vitamins and Minerals	Bioplex Iron	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Vitamins and Minerals	Bioplex Manganese	Alltech (UK)	01780 764506	Approved	30/11/07
Pest Control	Advanced Slug Killer	Growing Success	01722 337744 Ext 202	Approved	30/11/07
Soil Conditioner	Windbreak Soil Stabiliser	Hanslope Land Link Ltd	01728 638287	Approved	30/11/07
Soil Conditioner	Watton Special	Hanslope Land Link Ltd	01728 638287	Approved	30/11/07
Ingredients	Spring Water - Still	Llanllyr Water Co. Ltd	01570 470788	Approved	30/11/07
Ingredients	Spring Water - Sparkling	Llanllyr Water Co. Ltd	01570 470788	Approved	30/11/07
Packaging	Tectrol Pallet Bag System	Transfresh Corporation	0208 441 0198	Approved	31/12/07

## Classified Advertisements

**Advertisements are placed free of charge. Please note that purchasers should always check the current certificate and the status with the vendor. OF&G cannot take responsibility for any stock, items or services sold through this service. Advertisements are accepted at OF&G's discretion**

### ITEMS FOR SALE:

For sale: Organic pedigree Hereford 1st calvers from prize-winning herd. Outlyers with calves at foot. Choice of 3. £850 each **Contact:** Tony Herdman Tel: 01497820520 07836676425 info@clyrohillfarm.co.uk Hereford/ Powys border (posted Friday, 16th February 2007)

For sale: Second year conversion forage: 35 square Haylage bales, 125 half-quadrant Hay bales. **Contact:** Tim Sellers Tel: 07940 915331 East Yorkshire (posted Thursday, 15th February 2007)

For sale: We have 7 8/9 month old organic hereford cross heifers available. **Contact:** Chris Foster Tel: 01142872317 07711212777 fozy-northfarm@tiscali.co.uk Sheffield, South Yorkshire (posted Wednesday, 14th February 2007)

For sale: 5 organic aberdeen angus brown x swiss x. 10 months old. **Contact:** Mr D Whitehead Tel: 01625 827400 Cheshire (posted Tuesday, 13th February 2007)

For sale: 50T organic feed grain. Mixture of wheat/triticale/oats. Weighbridge & loading facilities on farm **Contact:** Tim White Tel: 01747 820499 livestock@pertwood.co.uk Wiltshire (posted Tuesday, 6th February 2007)

For sale: Red clover/grass haylage, 200 mini heston bales, 520 Kg per bale weight, first cut, well made, well wrapped, full organic status. **Contact:** Mr Michael Turner Tel: 01525 261213 07855 823373 North Buckinghamshire (posted Friday, 2nd February 2007)

For sale: 1.5 TONNES OF FEED BEANS **Contact:** Hugh Cory Tel: 01446760264 07885637932 Cardiff (posted Thursday, 1st February 2007)

For sale: Heifer grazing /rearing available from spring onwards **Contact:** Hugh Cory Tel: 01446760264 07885637932 Cardiff (posted Thursday, 1st February 2007)

For sale: 40 organic assorted breed in-lamb ewes. Includes some Herdwicks. To lamb in early March. Offers to Mike Radford **Contact:** Mike Radford Tel: 01223 263 423 07774 186486 Cambridge (posted Tuesday, 23rd January 2007)

For sale: Organic Essex Saddlebacks. 20 sows, assorted piglets at foot, weaners and strong stores. Offers to Mike Radford. **Contact:** Mike Radford Tel: 01223263423 07774 186486 Cambridge (posted Tuesday, 23rd January 2007)

For sale: 500 square wrapped bales of Organic Red Clover Haylage **Contact:** James Robertson Tel: 07860 300858 Shrewsbury, Shropshire (posted Monday, 22nd January 2007)

For sale: Organic Feed Wheat, approx 40 tonnes for sale. Near Gloucester **Contact:** David Haine Tel: 07966 55 25 05 Gloucester (posted Saturday, 20th January 2007)

For sale: Hen house on skids, built to organic standards for 200 laying birds. Price includes 100 bovans nera. £1500 **Contact:** Cindy Pittam Tel: 01353 624197 07951 876928 Cambridgeshire (posted Thursday, 18th January 2007)

For sale: Organic poultry manure, approximately 450 tonnes from near Sevenoaks, Kent. **Contact:** Marion Cooper Tel: 07941 126153 Near Sevenoaks, Kent (posted Friday, 12th January 2007)

For sale: Non organic (1st yr inconversion) forage 140 round bales or wrapped silage 80 round bales of hay 100 7ft square bales of hay **Contact:** Mr Harrison Tel: 01833 631612 County Durham (posted Wednesday, 20th December 2006)

### ITEMS WANTED:

Wanted: Rapeseed oilseed wanted to cold press into culinary use. **Contact:** Steve Coleman Tel: 0845 0940 761 07900475904 steve@ecomag.co.uk Devon/Cornwall (posted Monday, 19th February 2007)

Wanted: Organic turkey day olds wanted for July. Approx 150 bronze. **Contact:** Tony & Sally Herdman Tel: 01497820520 07831379562 info@clyrohillfarm.co.uk Powys (posted Friday, 16th February 2007)

Wanted: Organic Store Cattle, suitable for grass finishing. All breeds considered, 350kg plus. **Contact:** Wen David Tel: 01994 232145 07815158154 tybachmawr@btinternet.com Carmarthenshire, S Wales. (posted Thursday, 15th February 2007)

Wanted: 10 to 15 Organic Texel Breeding Ewes and 1 tup. **Contact:** Christopher B J R Foster Tel: 01142872317 07789083501 fozy-northfarm@tiscali.co.uk Sheffield, South Yorkshire (posted Wednesday, 14th February 2007)

Wanted: Strong store cattle **Contact:** Richard Bowker Tel: 01691 831603 07973565690 Powys (posted Monday, 5th February 2007)

Wanted: Poly tunnel frames, Ideally 12-14 ft wide any length considered but would love 2 x 20fts if available and the price is right. **Contact:** Andrew Gregory Tel: 07903337432 andreweuropa@aol.com Tyne & Wear (posted Tuesday, 23rd January 2007)

Wanted: Knowledge required - from anyone who has experience growing varietal mixtures or bi-cropping, and the effects on cereal disease. Initially for a BASIS project but also practically in the future. **Contact:** Andrew Barr Tel: 07801 056715 07801 056715 a.barr@fwi.co.uk Kent (posted Friday, 19th January 2007)

Wanted: Peter Jones Livestock in association with OLMC, are looking for organic store cattle, Continental and Native breeds, from 7 to 22 months old. Please contact Vicky on 01829 730580 or Nick Cole on 07921 925566. **Contact:** Vicky Hawkins Tel: 01829 730580 07921 925566 Anywhere in mainland UK (posted Thursday, 18th January 2007)

Wanted: A small amount of organic hay for use with the rearing of orphan hedgehogs. **Contact:** Peter Birmingham Tel: 01446 772236 07968 851525 Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan (posted Thursday, 11th January 2007)

Wanted: Wanted organic silage or hay please contact Mr Johnson for more details. **Contact:** Mr Johnson Tel: 07974 403084 Powys (posted Wednesday, 3rd January 2007)

Wanted: Organic land with irrigation required for veg production, ideally in Kent but would consider Essex. **Contact:** Joe Cottingham Tel: 01689 877175 Kent (posted Wednesday, 20th December 2006)