



List Management with Check Organic

Managing supplier lists to guarantee integrity throughout the supply chain is a challenging task for commodity buyers.

Supply chains are often complex and there can be a lack of information with sub-suppliers remaining unknown due to issues of commercial confidentiality. This lack of transparency can lead to a risk for buyers. Commodity buyers therefore attempt to differentiate between more and less reliable and trusted suppliers to create a stable supplier base. Yet, buyers can find themselves in situations where they need to quickly replace supply that has become unfeasible, partially because certifiers don't pro-actively inform buyers of changes in certification status. Check Organic is a global integrity platform that provides various tools to help buyers keep current with the certification status of all their suppliers along the supply chain.

With the Supplier List Management (VERIFICATION) tool it is easy to:

- create and manage preferred supplier lists
- monitor the certification status of the whole supply chain daily
- select new suppliers for inclusion on the preferred supplier list
- verify certification status on operation level and on crop level
- prepare internal inspections and brief internal inspectors

With the supplier list management tool, buyers have all relevant information available at a glance, reducing time and cost needed to verify current certification status. An automated alert system sends notifications anytime a certification status changes. The tool visualizes the certification status with a traffic light system, which is intuitive and allows for key information to be absorbed quickly by anyone. Green means Go, red stands for Stop and yellow indicates that there might be a need for clarification.

Not only supplier lists can be managed in Check Organic, but also client lists.

All lists can be exported to MS Excel for editing purposes outside of Check Organic if needed.

Check Organic is one specific implementation of the generic Check X System. Check X can not only handle organic standards, the system is open for any kind of compliance criteria, such as for example:

- Geographical indication
- Fair Trade
- Rain Forest Alliance
- Sustainability
- Internal quality standards
- Volume
- All commodities, e.g. honey, oils, rubber, cocoa, coffee, sugar





Please click on the <u>preview of a preferred supplier list</u> and the <u>preview of a detailed crop list</u> to see what list management in Check Organic will look like once you have a login!