

Switzerland:

The U.S. has an organic equivalency arrangement with Switzerland. This means that as long as the terms of the arrangement are met, organic products certified to the USDA organic regulations or the Swiss organic ordinances may be labeled and sold as organic in both countries.

The arrangement covers products which:

- Are certified to the USDA or Swiss organic regulations.
- Have their final processing occur in the U.S. or Switzerland.
- Swiss products: do not contain livestock products, or any ingredient used in such products, produced with the use of antibiotics.
- Organic wine: is produced and labeled to the regulations of the importing country.

A USDA-accredited certifying agent must complete a Swiss Certificate of Inspection for all USDA organic products traded under the arrangement. Only approved certifying agents may complete the certificate, and return them to the operator for inclusion with their shipment of organic products. Contact Eric at Baystate for the appropriate forms for shipment to Switzerland.