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Report on official controls in the organic sector

Country : Finland
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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-101 : Uudenmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	427
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	427

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	518	518	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	518	518	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	4	1	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	4	1	3 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	522	519	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	522	519	3 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced)." This was not met in 2020 due to corona-virus restrictions, since it was not possible to guarantee the safety of our inspectors.

Please see more info in our organic control report, table 3

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	14

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0



1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)

Agricultural producers (*)	29
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	29

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

Descriptions of irregularities are reported on behalf of all ELY-Centers in the organic control report. All of these operators received a notice to improve their organic processes regarding the found irregularity. More information on irregularities please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3:

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	6
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	6

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators



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No suspensions or withdrawals.

(*) Agricultural producers include agricultural producers only, producers that are also processors, producers that are also importers, other mixed producers not elsewhere classified (n.e.c.).

(**) Processors include processors only, processors that are also importers, other mixed processors n.e.c.

(***) Other operators include traders (wholesalers, retailers), other operators n.e.c.

(1) Only irregularities and infringements which affect the organic status of products and/or have resulted in a measure being applied are included.

(2) Where an irregularity is found as regards compliance with the requirements laid down in this Regulation, the control authority or control body shall ensure that no reference to the organic production method is made in the labelling and advertising of the entire lot or production run affected by this irregularity, where this would be proportionate to the relevance of the requirement that has been violated and to the nature and particular circumstances of the irregular activities (as referred to in first subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).

(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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Part 2 : Information on supervision and audits of control bodies
FI-EKO-101 : Uudenmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-101 : Uudenmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of all ELY-centres by viewing operator files in our shared register of all operators, through harmonization meetings and by audits to a number of ELYs every year. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

As government authorities the ELYs follow the national Administrative Procedure Act on governmental practices, and EU 625/2017 on official controls, which guarantee effective operation. FFA cannot, and have no reason to, withdraw the approval.



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-102 : Varsinais-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	495
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	495

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	631	628	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	631	628	3

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	7	7	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	7	7	0 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	638	635	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	638	635	3 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	17
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	17

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	99
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	99

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	2
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	2

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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Part 2 : Information on supervision and audits of control bodies
FI-EKO-102 : Varsinais-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production
FI-EKO-102 : Varsinais-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation
of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-103 : Satakunnan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	192
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	192

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	243	243	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	243	243	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	13	6	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	13	6	7 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	256	249	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	256	249	7 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	7

1.5 e) Comments

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Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	17
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	17

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	2
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	2

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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FI-EKO-103 : Satakunnan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-103 : Satakunnan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators
FI-EKO-104 : Hämeen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	269
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	269

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	362	362	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	362	362	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	28	13	15
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	28	13	15

1.3.e) Comments

1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	390	375	15



Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	390	375	15 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	7

1.5 e) Comments

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1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

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Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)

Agricultural producers (*)	23
Aquaculture animal production units	0



Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	23

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

Descriptions of irregularities are reported on behalf of all ELY-Centers in the organic control report. All of these operators received a notice to improve their organic processes regarding the found irregularity. More information on irregularities please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3:

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(***) Other operators include traders (wholesalers, retailers), other operators n.e.c.

- (1) Only irregularities and infringements which affect the organic status of products and/or have resulted in a measure being applied are included.
- (2) Where an irregularity is found as regards compliance with the requirements laid down in this Regulation, the control authority or control body shall ensure that no reference to the organic production method is made in the labelling and advertising of the entire lot or production run affected by this irregularity, where this would be proportionate to the relevance of the requirement that has been violated and to the nature and particular circumstances of the irregular activities (as referred to in first subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).
- (3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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FI-EKO-104 : Hämeen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-104 : Hämeen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of all ELY-centres by viewing operator files in our shared register of all operators, through harmonization meetings and by audits to a number of ELYs every year. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

As government authorities the ELYs follow the national Administrative Procedure Act on governmental practices, and EU 625/2017 on official controls, which guarantee effective operation. FFA cannot, and have no reason to, withdraw the approval.



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-105 : Pirkanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	517
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	517

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	790	789	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	790	789	1

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	19	9	10
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	19	9	10 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	809	798	11
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	809	798	11 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced)." This was not met in 2020 due to corona-virus restrictions, since it was not possible to guarantee the safety of our inspectors.

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	15
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	15

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	72
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	72

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	6
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	6

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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FI-EKO-105 : Pirkanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-105 : Pirkanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of all ELY-centres by viewing operator files in our shared register of all operators, through harmonization meetings and by audits to a number of ELYs every year. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

As government authorities the ELYs follow the national Administrative Procedure Act on governmental practices, and EU 625/2017 on official controls, which guarantee effective operation. FFA cannot, and have no reason to, withdraw the approval.



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-106 : Kaakkois-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	296
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	296

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	354	354	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	354	354	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	14	0	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	14	0	14 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	368	354	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	368	354	14 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	8
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	8

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	11
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	11

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production
FI-EKO-106 : Kaakkois-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation
of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-107 : Etelä-Savon elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	275
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	275

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	364	363	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	364	363	1

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	2	1	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	2	1	1 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	366	364	2
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	366	364	2 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	6
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	6

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	16
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	16

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	3

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



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Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-108 : Pohjois-Savon elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	369
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	369

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	476	476	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	476	476	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	27	6	21
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	27	6	21 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	503	482	21
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	503	482	21 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced)." This was not met in 2020 due to corona-virus restrictions, since it was not possible to guarantee the safety of our inspectors.

Please see more info in our organic control report, table 3

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	14

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	47
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	47

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

Descriptions of irregularities are reported on behalf of all ELY-Centers in the organic control report. All of these operators received a notice to improve their organic processes regarding the found irregularity. More information on irregularities please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3:

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(1) Only irregularities and infringements which affect the organic status of products and/or have resulted in a measure being applied are included.

(2) Where an irregularity is found as regards compliance with the requirements laid down in this Regulation, the control authority or control body shall ensure that no reference to the organic production method is made in the labelling and advertising of the entire lot or production run affected by this irregularity, where this would be proportionate to the relevance of the requirement that has been violated and to the nature and particular circumstances of the irregular activities (as referred to in first subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).

(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-108 : Pohjois-Savon elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-109 : Pohjois-Karjalan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	381
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	381

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	525	524	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	525	524	1

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	27	8	19
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	27	8	19 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	552	532	20
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	552	532	20 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	14

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	14

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production
FI-EKO-109 : Pohjois-Karjalan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation
of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-110 : Keski-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	196
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	196

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	265	265	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	265	265	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	2	2	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	2	2	0 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	267	267	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	267	267	0 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	4
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	4

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	27
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	27

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	2
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	2

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-110 : Keski-Suomen elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-111 : Etelä-Pohjanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	463
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	463

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	581	581	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	581	581	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	33	26	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	33	26	7 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	614	607	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	614	607	7 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	10
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	10

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	35
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	35

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	6
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	6

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(***) Other operators include traders (wholesalers, retailers), other operators n.e.c.

(1) Only irregularities and infringements which affect the organic status of products and/or have resulted in a measure being applied are included.

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(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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FI-EKO-111 : Etelä-Pohjanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production
FI-EKO-111 : Etelä-Pohjanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation
of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of all ELY-centres by viewing operator files in our shared register of all operators, through harmonization meetings and by audits to a number of ELYs every year. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-112 : Pohjanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	449
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	449

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	580	577	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	580	577	3

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	26	19	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	26	19	7 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	606	596	10
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	606	596	10 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced)." This was not met in 2020 due to corona-virus restrictions, since it was not possible to guarantee the safety of our inspectors.

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	10
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	10

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	29
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	29

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



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FI-EKO-112 : Pohjanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-113 : Pohjois- ja Keski-Pohjanmaan elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	493
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	493

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	631	630	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	631	630	1

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	59	44	15
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	59	44	15

1.3.e) Comments

1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	690	674	16



Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	690	674	16 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	22
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	22

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)

Agricultural producers (*)	88
Aquaculture animal production units	0



Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	88

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	14
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	14

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



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Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation
of the control system (enforcement)

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Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-114 : Kainuun elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	97
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	97

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	117	117	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	117	117	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	7	0	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	7	0	7 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	124	117	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	124	117	7 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

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(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	5
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	5

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	9
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	9

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

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1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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No part 2 available for this Control Body



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FI-EKO-114 : Kainuun elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of all ELY-centres by viewing operator files in our shared register of all operators, through harmonization meetings and by audits to a number of ELYs every year. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

As government authorities the ELYs follow the national Administrative Procedure Act on governmental practices, and EU 625/2017 on official controls, which guarantee effective operation. FFA cannot, and have no reason to, withdraw the approval.



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators
FI-EKO-115 : Lapin elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	43
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	43

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	64	64	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	64	64	0

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	3	0	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	3	0	3 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Please, see point 1.4.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !



1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	67	64	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	67	64	3 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced)." This was not met in 2020 due to corona-virus restrictions, since it was not possible to guarantee the safety of our inspectors.

Please see more info in our organic control report, table 3

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/elintarvikkevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta__raportti_2020_docx.pdf

(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	3

1.5 e) Comments

Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Also note that FFA took samples on animal products on behalf of all ELY-Centers.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)



Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

Descriptions of irregularities are reported on behalf of all ELY-Centers in the organic control report. All of these operators received a notice to improve their organic processes regarding the found irregularity. More information on irregularities please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3:

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/elintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta__raportti_2020_docx.pdf

1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	1
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	1

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/elintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta__raportti_2020_docx.pdf

1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(* Agricultural producers include agricultural producers only, producers that are also processors, producers that are also importers, other mixed producers not elsewhere classified (n.e.c.).

(**) Processors include processors only, processors that are also importers, other mixed processors n.e.c.

(***) Other operators include traders (wholesalers, retailers), other operators n.e.c.

(1) Only irregularities and infringements which affect the organic status of products and/or have resulted in a measure being applied are included.

(2) Where an irregularity is found as regards compliance with the requirements laid down in this Regulation, the control authority or control body shall ensure that no reference to the organic production method is made in the labelling and advertising of the entire lot or production run affected by this irregularity, where this would be proportionate to the relevance of the requirement that has been violated and to the nature and particular circumstances of the irregular activities (as referred to in first subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).

(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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Part 2 : Information on supervision and audits of control bodies
FI-EKO-115 : Lapin elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-115 : Lapin elinkeino-, liikenne- ja ympäristökeskus

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of all ELY-centres by viewing operator files in our shared register of all operators, through harmonization meetings and by audits to a number of ELYs every year. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

As government authorities the ELYs follow the national Administrative Procedure Act on governmental practices, and EU 625/2017 on official controls, which guarantee effective operation. FFA cannot, and have no reason to, withdraw the approval.



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators FI-EKO-201 : Ruokavirasto

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	346
Importers	56
Exporters	33
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	354
Others	70
Total	859

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	0	0	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	346	346	0
Importers	56	56	0
Exporters	33	33	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	241	241	0 (!)
Others	75	75	0
Total	751	751	0

1.2.e) Comments

Most importers + exporters are also processors and traders. All active operators were inspected in 2020. Note: Traders do not need to be inspected every year. Please see further info in our organic control report 2020 :

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/elintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta__raportti_2020_docx.pdf

(!) The number of annual inspections should be equal to or greater than the corresponding value in "1.1a - Number of registered operators" !

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	0	0	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	35	0	35
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0



Total 35 0 35 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced).

The goal of 5% was met in 2020. Please see more info in our organic control report, point 2.2.3.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !

1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	0	0	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	381	346	35
Importers	56	56	0
Exporters	33	33	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	241	241	0
Others	75	75	0
Total	786	751	35 (!)

1.4 a) Comments

We have a Public Control System in Finland. According to our evaluation of risks for irregularities, infringements and non-compliances, we have set up a target of 5 % of additional inspections to be carried out (preferably unannounced).

The goal of 5% was met in 2020. Please see more info in our organic control report, point 2.2.3.

(!) The total number of unannounced inspections should be at least 10% of the total number of inspections !

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	59
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	37
Importers	325
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	7
Total	428

1.5 e) Comments

FFA took 59 samples on behalf of the ELY-centers on animal products.

For more info on sampling please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 2.4

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/elintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta_raportti_2020_docx.pdf

Note: Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

Commission guidelines on risk import

Finnish Customs as the CA of organic import in Finland followed the 'Guidelines on additional official controls of organic farming products originating in China, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Moldova and the Russian Federation and Turkey'.

The Finnish Customs has flagged all CN-codes mentioned in the additional guidelines for organic import in the customs clearance system, in order to stop them at EU border. Also, organic importers must use C644 code in the import declaration to the Customs which will bring the COI and relevant sampling to evaluation. Therefore, all of these organic "risk" import consignments are separately sampled and evaluated before the release for free circulation.

The Finnish Customs declared that in 2020 import surveillance on additional official organic controls was in place as described above. Only following import consignments from Kazakhstan and Moldova were presented to the Finnish Customs. All of these imports, except for one, were released to free circulation as organic after sampling and document checks as required. The walnuts were rejected due to false health claim, not due to residues or other irregularity on organic processes.



Saksanpähkinä = walnut	Moldovan tasavalta	OK
Soija (papu) puriste (rehu) = soya bean pellet, feed	Kazakstan	OK
Vehnä (jyvä) = wheat, grain	Kazakstan	OK
Pellavansiemen = flax seed	Kazakstan	OK
Saksanpähkinä = walnut	Moldovan tasavalta	HYL = rejected
Soija (papu) puriste (rehu) = soya bean pellet, feed	Kazakstan	OK

Please see our organic control report 2020, chapter: 2.4, for more details on the sampling done by Finnish Customs at EU border.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	7
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	2
Total	9

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	206
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	38
Total	244

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

All of these operators received a notice to improve their organic processes regarding the found irregularity. More information on irregularities please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3:

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/elintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta__raportti_2020_docx.pdf

1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	4
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	2



Total 6

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

The standard action when a serious irregularity or infringement is detected and established is blocking or marketing ban of the lot in question. The responsibility to obey is on the operator and it is checked at the latest during the next control visit. All of these operators received a marketing ban regarding the product lot in question.

More information on actions and measures applied to production lots, please see to our organic control report 2020, point. 3.2:

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1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

None

(*) Agricultural producers include agricultural producers only, producers that are also processors, producers that are also importers, other mixed producers not elsewhere classified (n.e.c.).

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(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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FI-EKO-201 : Ruokavirasto

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production FI-EKO-201 : Ruokavirasto

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA is the CA of Organic Control in Finland. The Public Control system was audited internally and 6 points for improvement were given. Please see further details in

Audit report:

<https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/mika-on-ruokavirasto/elintarviketurvallisuus/luomuvalvonnan-auditointiraportin-tiivistelma.pdf>

Action plan:

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/mika-on-ruokavirasto/elintarviketurvallisuus/luomu_toimintasuunnitelma_tiivistelma.pdf



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators

FI-EKO-301 : Sosiaali- ja terveystietojen ja valvontavirasto Valvira (National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health)

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	31
Importers	21
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	119
Total	171

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	0	0	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	21	16	5 (!)
Importers	2	1	1 (!)
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	8	0	8 (!)
Total	31	17	14

1.2.e) Comments

Processors: Based on the annual supervision plan, only active processors were inspected.

Importers: Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, physical checks were suspended for part of the year. It was not possible to carry out all the planned inspections. The inspections made were mainly carried out remotely from the Agency.

Other Operators: Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, physical checks were suspended for part of the year. It was not possible to carry out all the planned inspections. The inspections made were mainly carried out remotely from the Agency.

(!) The number of annual inspections should be equal to or greater than the corresponding value in "1.1a - Number of registered operators" !

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	0	0	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	0	0	0 (!)
Importers	1	0	1
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0



Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1 (!)

1.3.e) Comments

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, physical checks were suspended for part of the year. It was not possible to carry out all the planned inspections.

(!) The total number of additional risk-based visits should be at least 10% of the total number of registered operators !

1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	0	0	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	21	16	5
Importers	3	1	2
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	8	0	8
Total	32	17	15

1.4 a) Comments

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	12
Total	12

1.5 e) Comments

Note: Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0



Total 0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	5
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	4
Total	9

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements (non-compliance) and/or classification by type

Please see for further details on irregularities in chapter 2.2.5 of our national control report:

https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/eliintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_valvonta_raportti_2020_docx.pdf

1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on products

None

1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on operators

No suspensions or withdrawals.



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(**) Processors include processors only, processors that are also importers, other mixed processors n.e.c.

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(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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FI-EKO-301 : Sosiaali- ja terveystalouden lupa- ja valvontavirasto Valvira (National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health)

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-301 : Sosiaali- ja terveystieteiden lupa- ja valvontavirasto Valvira (National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health)

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation of the control system (enforcement)

FFA evaluates the performance of Valvira through harmonization meetings and by audits. (the audits 2020 were postponed due to Covid 19) .

As government authority Valvira follows the national act on governmental practices, and EU 625/2017 on official controls, which guarantee effective operation. FFA cannot, and have no reason to, withdraw the approval.



Part 1 : Information on the control of operators
FI-EKO-401 : Ålands landskapsregering

Status : Confirmed

1.1a Number of registered operators

Agricultural producers (*)	118
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	18
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	136

1.2 Number of annual inspections on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	118	98	20
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	18	17	1
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	136	115	21

1.2.e) Comments

1.3 Number of additional risk-based visits on operators by control bodies/authorities

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	15	12	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	2	2	0
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	17	14	3

1.3.e) Comments

1.4 Total inspections and visits

	Total	Announced	Unannounced
Agricultural producers (*)	133	110	23



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Aquaculture animal production units	0	0	0
Processors (**)	20	19	1
Importers	0	0	0
Exporters	0	0	0
Other Operators (***)			
Retailers	0	0	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0
Total	153	129	24

1.4 a) Comments

Please find further details in control

https://www.regeringen.ax/sites/www.regeringen.ax/files/attachments/guidedocument/ekologisk_kontrollrapport_over_gardsbesok_2020.pdf

1.5 Number of samples taken at operators by control bodies/authorities

Agricultural producers (*)	7
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	1
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	8

1.5 e) Comments

Note: Target for sampling in 2020 was 2% according to EU reg. 2020/977 art. 1.3.

1.6 Number of samples analysed indicating non-compliance with organic rules

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.7 Number of irregularities/infringements (1)

Agricultural producers (*)	3
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0



Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	3

1.7.c) Description of irregularities/infringements
(non-compliance) and/or classification by type

1.8 Number of measures applied on products (for the lot or production run) (2)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.8.c) Description of the measures applied on
products

1.9 Number of measures applied on operators (3)

Agricultural producers (*)	0
Aquaculture animal production units	0
Processors (**)	0
Importers	0
Exporters	0
Other Operators (***)	
Retailers	0
Traders-Wholesalers	0
Others	0
Total	0

1.9.c) Description of the measures applied on
operators

(*) Agricultural producers include agricultural producers only, producers that are also processors, producers that are also importers, other mixed producers not elsewhere classified (n.e.c.).

(**) Processors include processors only, processors that are also importers, other mixed processors n.e.c.

(***) Other operators include traders (wholesalers, retailers), other operators n.e.c.

(1) Only irregularities and infringements which affect the organic status of products and/or have resulted in a measure being applied are included.

(2) Where an irregularity is found as regards compliance with the requirements laid down in this Regulation, the control authority or control body shall ensure that no reference to the organic production method is made in the labelling and advertising of the entire lot or production run affected by this irregularity, where this would be proportionate to the relevance of the requirement that has been violated and to the nature and particular circumstances of the irregular activities (as referred to in first subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).

(3) Where a severe infringement or an infringement with prolonged effect is found, the control authority or control body shall prohibit the operator concerned from marketing products which refer to the organic production method in the labelling and advertising for a period to be agreed with the competent authority of the Member State (as referred to in second subparagraph of Article 30(1) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007).



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Part 2 : Information on supervision and audits of control bodies
FI-EKO-401 : Ålands landskapsregering

No part 2 available for this Control Body



Part 3 : Conclusion on the control system for organic production

FI-EKO-401 : Ålands landskapsregering

Status : Confirmed

3.1 Withdrawal of approval

Has been Withdrawn

NO

Action taken to ensure effective operation
of the control system (enforcement)



Other info & performance statement

Status : Confirmed

2.a Information on supervision and audits of control bodies (Other Informations)

2.a.1.1 Number of market controls (=controls carried out at the stage of distribution, such as marketplaces, retailers) carried out on organic products 295

2.a.1.2 Number of controlled organic products, out of which number of non-compliant products 0

2.a.1.3 Results of controls (action taken)

2.a.2) Alleged fraud cases

None

3.2 Statement of overall performance of the control system

The overall conclusion of organic control in Finland 2020

Despite the coronavirus, all yearly inspections were carried out either via physical visits to operators or via distance communication. Finnish Food Authority has developed an electronic inspection form, that was widely used in 2020 especially for food operators and for farmers with organic plant production.

Please, find further information on the performance of the control system and organic controls, including findings and actions taken, in 2020 in our control report: https://www.ruokavirasto.fi/globalassets/tietoa-meista/eliintarvikevalvonta/2020/luonnonmukaisen_tuotannon_vaivonta_raportti_2020_docx.pdf

The report also includes conclusions on identified improvement points to the control system in chapter 8.

Additional unannounced control visits in 2020

Finnish Food Authority gave a national guideline for all inspections to prevent coronavirus from spreading and to ensure the safety of inspectors and operators. The background for this guideline were the regulations (EU) 2020/466 and (EU) 2020/977.

Therefore, the unannounced inspection visits were forbidden during 2020 in Finland.

Commission guidelines on risk import

Finnish Customs as the CA of organic import in Finland followed the 'Guidelines on additional official controls of organic farming products originating in China, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Moldova and the Russian Federation and Turkey'.

The Finnish Customs has flagged all CN-codes mentioned in the additional guidelines for organic import in the customs clearance system, in order to stop them at EU border. Also, organic importers must use C644 code in the import declaration to the Customs which will bring the COI and relevant sampling to evaluation. Therefore, all of these organic "risk" import consignments are separately sampled and evaluated before the release for free circulation.

The Finnish Customs declared that in 2020 import surveillance on additional official organic controls was in place as described above. Only following import consignments from Kazakhstan and Moldova were presented to the Finnish Customs. All of these imports, except for one, were released to free circulation as organic after sampling and document checks as required. The walnuts were rejected due to false health claim, not due to residues or other irregularity on organic processes.

Saksanpähkinä = walnut	Moldovan tasavalta	OK
Soija (papu) puriste (rehu) = soya bean pellet, feed	Kazakstan	OK
Vehnä (jyvä) = wheat, grain	Kazakstan	OK
Pellavansiemen = flax seed	Kazakstan	OK
Saksanpähkinä = walnut	Moldovan tasavalta	HYL = rejected
Soija (papu) puriste (rehu) = soya bean pellet, feed	Kazakstan	OK

Ofis notifications

INEU

No Ofis notification were made to Finland in 2020.

FFA made 7 INEU ofis notifications, please see details in Ofis:

INEU-524/2020, INEU-452/2020, INEU-134/2020, INEU-130/2020, INEU-115/2020, INEU-112/2020, INEU-93/2020, 16/03/2020 and INEU-38/2020

INTC



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FFA made 3 INTC ofis notifications, please see details in Ofis:

INTC-166/2020, INTC-120/2020 and INTC-88/2020

3.3 Some of operators certified by more than one control body

NO