Laws, Regulations and Certification in Organic Farming

Applying for this course

This course is targeted at those learners who wish to learn more on organic farming. Either emerging organic farmers who would like to further enhance their existing skills or individuals who are passionate about organic produce and would like to find a related job. Eligible individuals would be **persons who completed compulsory schooling** up to 65 years of age, who know how to communicate in Maltese or English. For further information, kindly contact us on qa.jobsplus@gov.mt stating your ID card number, attaching copies of your qualifications and a copy of your CV highlighting your work experience.

Course Duration

This course is of 10 hours duration and consists of one Module.

General assessment policy and procedures for this course:

The delivery of this course will be mainly held through a series of presentations and discussions.

General pedagogical guidelines and procedures for this course:

The learner will be assessed through an ongoing assessment in the form of discussion, oral questions, multiple choice questions, assignments and/or case studies depending on the learners' ability. The ongoing assessment does not carry any marking but rates the performance of the learner in class.

Module 1 Learning Outcomes – Laws, Regulations and Certification in Organic Farming

- ✓ Recall relevant laws and regulations
- ✓ Classify organic operators
- Recall and follow guidelines for organic operators
- ✓ Recall and follow guidelines on the use of Authorised Plant Protection Products and Fertilisers
- ✓ Be familiar with inspections procedures

- ✓ Classify infringements and irregularities
- Explain the measures of noncompliance for a) production b) feed c) marketing and d) labelling
- ✓ Fill in and apply for organic farming certification
- ✓ Document Management Systems and maintain records up to date
- ✓ Be familiar with contacts from MCCAA

Module 1 Assessment: There is no assessment for this module.

This course was designed in collaboration with MCCAA, MOAM and various organic farmers. This course is not accredited through MFHEA and hence it is not pegged at an MQF level. Learners who attend at least 80% of the course, will receive a confirmation of attendance. This confirmation of attendance can be used to eventually apply for the certificate of achievement once all modules of the *Organic Farming* course are complete.