

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF ORGANIZATION**

**PROCESSED RASPBERRY PROMOTION, RESEARCH,  
AND INFORMATION ORDER  
(7 CFR PART 1208)**

The following statements are made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The authority for requesting this information to be supplied on this form is the Commodity Promotion, Research, and Information Act of 1996, Pub. L. 104-127, 110 Stat. 1032 (7 U.S.C. 7411-7425). Furnishing the requested information is necessary for the administration of this program. Submission of the Tax Identification Number is mandatory, and will be used to determine affiliation or entity identification.

1. Please mark an "X" in the appropriate block for which organization or association you are applying for certification: (Mark only one box. If you are applying for more than one group below, a separate form must be filled out for each group.)

**Foreign Producers**                       **Importers**                       **Domestic Producers**

2. **Name of Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Tax ID#** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax No.** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

3. Total Members in most recent calendar year: \_\_\_\_\_

4. What percent of your members are considered foreign producers \_\_\_\_\_; importers \_\_\_\_\_; domestic producers \_\_\_\_\_?

5. What is the Volume of raspberries for processing that the Association represents (pounds)?  
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6. If foreign producer organization: Does your organization represent a substantial number of foreign producers who produce or market a substantial volume of processed raspberries? If yes, describe.

7. If importer organization: What percent of the total volume of processed raspberries imported in the U.S. do your members represent? (pounds and percent of total) \_\_\_\_\_ pounds \_\_\_\_\_ percent of total imports

8. If State producer organization: Does your State produce a minimum of three million pounds of raspberries for processing? If yes, how much \_\_\_\_\_?

9. How long has your organization been in existence? \_\_\_\_\_

10. List of Source(s) from which your organization operating funds are derived:

\_\_\_\_\_  
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11. Describe purpose/function of the organization:

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**CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE**

I hereby certify that: (1) an interest of this organization is in the production or marketing of processed raspberries and (2) the information provided in response to the above items is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. The organization also agrees to take reasonable steps to publicize to non-members the availability of open Council positions and will consider nominating a non-member if he or she expresses an interest in serving on the Council. The Secretary of Agriculture may examine our books, documents, papers, records, files, and facilities to verify any of the information submitted and may procure such other information as may be required to determine this organization's eligibility for certification.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Print Name and Title of Person Completing this Application**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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**IMPORTANT NOTES**

**NOTE: Information is collected in order to determine eligibility of organizations to nominate foreign producers, and importers to serve as members of the National Processed Raspberry Council. Application is voluntary and information is held confidential.**

**Organizations must apply for certification by the Secretary to be eligible to participate in the making of nomination of foreign producers and importers to serve as members and alternates of the Council as provided in the Processed Raspberry Promotion, Research, and Information Order. Information submitted in response to all items must be complete. Please type or print clearly. Send original only to:**

**Research and Promotion Branch  
Street, City, State, Zip Code**

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