

Organic Trader Unacceptables List

In response to the blatant industry 'green washing', misleading and deceptive trade and labeling practises in the manufacturing and marketing of personal care products, Organic Trader Canada-USA has refused the use of such logos on our labels, for so called, "organic" standards which have nothing - as related to the personal care industry - to do, in fact, with authentic, sustainable principles of organic growing and processing methodologies.

In further response to ongoing consumer questions in respect of "certifications" and "organic" standards on all personal care products, Organic Trader is providing a list of ingredients, that - though legally acceptable on so called, "organic" personal care products - we believe these same ingredients in any personal care product (organic or not) are not ethical.

Organic Trader does not come to this approach lightly, and its Founder, Joseph Borkovic, is directly involved in the consultations for the new Canada Organic Product Regulations for the Canadian Government and previously in the US, for the USDA NOP standards.

"Is your product organic?"

This is a good question, but what does it mean ?

This is the typical question, often seeking a 'silver bullet' answer...
... there is no such answer, knowledge does not equate to wisdom
- knowledge is having some facts floating around in the head, wisdom is actually doing it, and doing it responsibly.

If any company or person wishes to be genuinely "organic", then one must first strive to go back to the beginning, to Nature, and to first find out what it is to be - Sustainable... in other words, observe systems that are naturally self-perpetuating - putting harsh synthetics and petrochemicals to pollute waterways, soil and air quality - is not a naturally, self-perpetuating act, it is the blind effort to make only money, duly at the expense of unsuspecting customers/consumers and our own future.

Sustainability - of which practical and recognized organic methods are just an integral part - also demands considerations for: fair trade, social justice, vegetarian/vegan, biodynamic, permaculture, transitional organic, ethical wildcrafting... to name a few sustainable and ethical methodologies (try also Ayurvedic, Chinese meridian medicine, homeopathy, crystal-vortex energetics, naturopathy, aroma therapy...)

By the way, believe it or not, you can get a product labeled "organic" that has nothing to do with authentic, sustainable methods - it's called green marketing... and might not even be organic, and most likely it isn't.

Further, you can find a "certified organic" skin care product and still have many of these below ingredients in the actual product - which are also all tested on animals-by US law, as synthetics and petro-chemicals are required to be. Will the type of corruption get worse before it gets better?

So when someone legitimately asks us if our product is "organic", we believe they are asking us a very important question, the answer of which has the likes to nurture, or destroy our own planet.

If you are asking for "organic", perhaps you also mean it to be of the quality of a truly sustainable origin and methods ?

This is precisely why Organic Trader Canada-USA has created the:

EcoStar Green-TM Sustainable Business Standard

which includes measuring and improving all aspects of a product and the business from which it comes from - for a full-cycle, sustainable eco-model that speaks not to: deception, "greenwash marketing", or diminished responsibilities, but relevantly and directly to the integrity of the very genuine potential of humanity and the principles of the highest possible ideals for a sustainable future in generations to come, and for our own planet Earth. There is only one Earth, and we are all on it together.

Thank-you

Genuinely, Joseph

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[commonly found in "Premium/Organic" Body Care (unfortunately)]

Unacceptable Ingredients list

(ingredients you will never find in our products):

1,2 hexanediol

acetamide MEA

acrylates copolymer

aerosol sprays

AHAs

alkyl benzoate

alpha arbutin

alpha hydroxy acids

aluminum hydroxide

aluminum oxide

aluminum powder

amino-guanadine

aminomethyl propanol

ammonium laureth sulfate

ammonium lauryl sulfate

ammonium polacrylate

artificial colors

avobenzone

babassuamidopropalkonium chloride

behenalkonium chloride

behenamidopropyl hydroxyethyl

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dimonium chloride
behenoxy dimethicone
behentrimonium methosulfate
benzalkonium chloride
benzethonium chloride
benzophenone
benzyl PCA betaine
BHA (butylated hydroxyanisole)
BHT (butylated hydroxytoluene)
Bis Diglyceryl Polyacyladipate-2
boron nitride
brassica campestris/aleurites
fordi oil copolymer
bronopol
bumetrizole
Butyl methoxydibenzoylmethane
butylene glycol
butylparaben
C 11-15 Pareth 12
C 12-14 Olefin Sulfonate
C 12-15 Alkyl benzoate
C12-15 alkyl lactate
C 12-15 Alkyl octanoate
C 13-14 Isoparaffin

capryl isostearate

carbomer

Carbowax (see polyethylene glycol)

castor oil/IPDI copolymer

ceramide 2, 3

ceresin

certified colors

ceteareth 2 - 100

ceteareth 5 - 20

Cetearyl Ethylhexanoate

cetearyl isononanoate

Ceteth -20 Phosphate

cetrimonium bromide

cetrimonium chloride

cetyl betaine

chlorphenesin

cocamide betaine

Cocamide DEA

Cocamide MEA

cocamide MIPA

cocamidopropyl PG-dimonium

chloride phosphate

Cocamidopropylamine Oxide

coco betaine

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Cocoamphocarboxyglycinate
corn glycol
Cyclomethicone
Cyclopentasiloxane
cyclotetrasiloxane
diazolidinyl urea
dicaprylyl carbonate
dicetyldimonium chloride
diethanolamine (DEA)
dihydroxyacetone
dimethicone copolyol
Dimethyl oxobenzo dioasilane
dimethylpolysiloxane
dioctyl sodium sulfosuccinate (DSS)
dipalmitoyl hydroxyproline
dipropylene glycol
disodium EDTA
Disodium laureth sulfosuccinate
disodium oleamido succinate
Disteardimonium Hectoride
DMDM hydantoin
EDTA
emu oil
ethoxydiglycol oleate

ethyl acetate

ethyl diglycol (see polyethylene glycol)

ethyl methoxycinnamate

ethyl vanillin

ethylene glycol

FD & C colors

fragrance, synthetic ("botanical fragrance", "parfum", etc.)

Fullerenes

gelatin

germaben

germall

Glycereth-26

glycereth-7 cocoate

glyceryl polyacrylate

Hexadecanol

Hexahydroxystearate/Hexastearate/Hexarosinate

homosalate

hydrogenated oils

Hydrogenated Polydecene

hydrogenated vegetable glyceride

hydrogenated vegetable oil

hydroquinone

Hydroxyethyl Acrylate/Sodium Acryloyldimethyl Taurate Copolymer

Hydroxypropyl Polysiloxane
imidazolidinyl urea
iodopropynyl butylcarbamate
Isoceteth-20
Isohexadecane
isopropyl methylphenol
isopropyl myristate
kojic acid
lactamidopropyl trimonium chloride
Lauramide MEA
Laureth-7
Lauryl Amidopropyl Betaine
Magnesium Aluminum Silicate
MEA-containing ingredients
Melanin
methoxycinnamate
methyl glyceth-20
methyl glycol
Methyl Propanediol
methylchloroisothiazolinone
methylisothiazolinone
methylparaben
methylosilanol mannuronate
mineral oil

myristic acid
myristyl alcohol
myristyl ether sulfate
Myristyl Lactate
myristyl myristate
nonoxynol 10
Nylon-12
octinoxate
octisalate
octocrylene
Octyl Dodecyl Neopentanoate
octyl methoxycinnamate
Olefin Sulfonate
oleth (2-50)
oleth-20
oleth-3-phosphate
oleyl betaine
Oleyl Oleate
oxybenzone
PABA (Para-Aminobenzoic Acid)
panthenyl triacetate
Para-Aminobenzoic Acid (see PABA)
parabens
paraphenylenediamine

parfum

parsol

PEG (see polyethylene glycol)

PEG 35 (stearate) castor oil

PEG-10 Sun flower Glycerides

PEG-120 Methyl Glucose Dioleate

PEG-150 distearate

PEG-150 Pentaerythrityl Tetrastearate

PEG-20, 100 stearate

PEG-40 hydrogenated castor oil

Peg-55 Propylene Glycol Oleate

PEG-6 Caprylic/Capric glycerides

PEG-7 Glyceryl Cocoate

Pentaerythrityl Tetra-di-t-butyl

Hydroxyhydrocinnamate

pentaerythrityl tetrastearate

Pentasodium Pentetate

pentylene glycol

petrolatum

phenylbenzimidazole-5-sulfonic acid

phenyl-butyl-nitrate

phenyltrimethicone

phthalate

polaxamer 335

polyacrylamide
Polybutene
polyethylene glycol (PEG)
Polyglyceryl-4 Isostearate
Polyglyceryl-3 Polyricinoleate
Polyglyceryl -10
Behenate/Eicosadioate
polyimide 1
polyisobutene
polypropylene glycol
Polyquaternium 7, 10, 11
polysilicone-15
polyvinylpyrrolidone
potassium alum
Potassium Myristate
PPG-30
propanediol
Propyl Gallate
propylene glycol
propylene glycol alginate
propylparaben
Providone (see polyvinylpyrrolidone)
pvp/va copolymer
quaternium-15

salicylic acid
Silica Dimethyl Silylate
silica silylate
simethicone
soapstone (see talc)
Sodium Acrylate
sodium bisulfite
Sodium C14-16 Olefin Sulfonate
sodium cetearyl sulfate
Sodium coco-sulfate
sodium cocoyl sulfate
sodium dehydroacetate
sodium hydroxymethylglycinate
sodium laureth sulfate
Sodium Lauryl Sulfate
Glucosideoxyacetate
sodium lauryl sulfate
Sodium lauryl sulfoacetate
Sodium Methyl Oleoyl Taurate
sodium myreth sulfate
Sodium PEG-7 Olive Oil
Carboxylate
sodium polyacrylate
Sodium Trideceth Sulfate

Sodium sulfate
sorbitan isostearate
soyamide DEA
soyamidopropalkonium chloride
stearamidopropyl dimethylamine
Steardimonium Chloride
steareth-2, 20, 21, 100 etc
styrene-pvp copolymer
Sulfated Castor Oil
synthetic fragrance
talc
tallow
TEA-Carbomer
TEA-Lauryl Sulfate
Tetrahydroxypropyl
Ethylenediamine
tetrasodium EDTA
Thiotic Acid
tribehenin
Triclosan
Tridecyl Neopentanoate
triethanolamine (TEA)
triethoxycarpylsilane
Trihydroxystearin

trimethylsiloxysilicate

trisodium EDTA / tetrasodium EDTA

tromethamine stearate

tropolone

urea

vanillin

Wheatgermamidopropyl

Dimethylamine

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