

Australian organics board reaffirms zero tolerance for GMOs

The group responsible for setting organic standards has rejected [an application by the Western Australian Agriculture Department](#) to allow a tolerance to genetically modified (GM) material in organic products.

The Western Australian Government lodged the application after farmer Steve Marsh lost his organic certification when GM material from a neighbour's property allegedly came onto his.

Marg Will, from the Organic Industry Standards and Certification Council, says the application wasn't consistent with international food standards.

"All countries that adhere to the WTO actually base their food safety, of food standards, around the world on the Codex Alimentarius guidelines, and the guidelines state that all materials from GMO are not compatible with the principles of organic production and are not accepted under these guidelines," Ms Will said.

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