

Important update to the cosmetics chapter of our Australian Certified Organic Standard (ACOS) from 1st May 2019

Last year Australian Organic Ltd & ACO Certification Ltd surveyed cosmetic clients in relation to proposed changes to Cosmetic certification and logos. In view of the feedback and in conjunction with COSMOS, there are a few very important changes to the standard and use of relevant logos.

As of 1st May 2019, the Australian Certified Organic Standard (ACOS) will <u>not</u> have a detailed section on cosmetics. It will now simply reference the COSMOS Standard. As a result, ACOS certified cosmetic manufacturers will have the option of certifying cosmetic products to the COSMOS Standard and/or the National Standard for Organic and Biodynamic Produce.

To ensure consistency across all certified organic products, the Bud logo is only allowed to be used on products that quality as certified organic according to the National Standard for Organic and Biodynamic Produce.

Operators certified to the COSMOS and/or the National Standard for Organic and Biodynamic Produce can use the following logos for products classified as Organic:

	Old COSMOS logo	New logo for products certified to the COSMOS Standards after 01 May 2019	If Compliant with the National Standard
Organic	CO 1 OS ORGANIC	COSMOS ORGANIC	Australian Certified Organic ACO CERT. NO. XXXX OF ACO Certified Organic ACO CERT. NO. XXXX

NB. Products certified to the COSMOS and the National Standard will be able to use either or both the COSMOS and the Bud logo, at the discretion of the operator, and with certifier approval.

Products certified to the COSMOS Standard which are not classified as Organic, and are not certified to the National Standard for Organic and Biodynamic Produce may be labelled with the following logos, relevant to each product category:

	Old COSMOS logo	New COSMOS logo
Natural	CCALOS	COSMOS NATURAL
Approved	COMMUS APPROVED	COSMOS APPROVED
Certified	CC IN OS CERTIFIED	COSMOS CERTIFIED

All **new** products are required to comply to this standard update from 1 May 2019 while all **existing** products and labels must be amended by 1 May 2021.

Operators outside Australia manufacturing cosmetic products will be certified to COSMOS only.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the AOL office on 07 3350 5716.

Regards,

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