



ANNUAL MONITORING SCHEDULE

The USDA organic regulations require your OSP to describe monitoring practices and the frequency with which you perform them. A written schedule is the simplest way to meet that requirement, and it gives your inspector a document to verify your practices against. It is good practice to assign monitoring activities to the Organic Control Points (OCPs) identified in your vulnerability assessment, the specific points in your supply chain where fraud is most likely to occur. Set frequencies and activities that match your own suppliers, volumes, and risk.

Monthly

Review the OID for supplier status changes
Check NOP enforcement announcements



Quarterly

Internal traceback exercise on one
randomly selected finished product
Internal mass-balance check



Semiannual

Compliance check on new suppliers
and new certificates



Annually

Full supplier document renewal
Fraud prevention plan review and
OSP update if needed



SOURCES CITED

USDA National Organic Program, [7 CFR §205.201\(a\)\(3\)](#).

Organic Trade Association. *Organic Fraud Prevention Solutions: A Guide to Developing an Organic Fraud Prevention Plan*.