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Thank you for your email of 2 June 2017 asking for clarification as to which information is to appear with the EU organic logo for unpacked organic avocados.

The rules on organic production and the use of the EU organic logo ("the logo") in the labelling, presentation and advertising of products which are placed on the EU market as organic are set out in Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007<sup>1</sup> and Commission Regulation (EC) No 889/2008<sup>2</sup>.

According to Article 24(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008 the use of the logo is compulsory for all organic pre-packaged food produced within the European Union. You may use the logo for non pre-packaged organic food provided that the labelling provisions in Articles 24 and 25 of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 are complied with.

According to Article 24(1)(a) of Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 the code number of the control body or control authority is a compulsory requirement for organically produced products irrespective of the use of the logo.

Article 24(1)(c) states that, where the EU organic logo is used, an indication of the place where the agricultural product was farmed must be given in the same visual field as the logo. Thus, the code number of control bodies must appear on all organic products, whether the logo is used or not. Where the logo is used, the place of farming of the agricultural raw material is also compulsory. These indications are to be labelled in accordance with Article 24(2) in the sense that they shall be "*marked in a conspicuous place in such a way as to be easily visible, clearly legible and indelible*".

Further detailed information on the EU organic logo can be found under Articles 57 and 58 of Regulation (EC) No 889/2008. I also invite you to consult the graphic example under Question 12 of the "Frequently Asked Questions" page of our website: [https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/organic/downloads/logo\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/organic/downloads/logo_en)



<sup>1</sup> [Council Regulation \(EC\) No 834/2007 of 28 June 2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Regulation \(EEC\) No 2092/91, OJ L 189, 20.7.2007, p. 1-23](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Commission Regulation \(EC\) No 889/2008 of 5 September 2008 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation \(EC\) No 834/2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products with regard to organic production, labelling and control. OJ L 250, 18.9.2008](#)

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