

Organic in Australia states in its standards mainly things which are **allowed**, and by implication this means, the rest is not.

From the NASAA standard:

- **Allowed inputs** for meat
 - Annex 6 - Unrestricted & Restricted Substances for use with Livestock (page 112)
- Pasture input
 - Annex 1 – Products for Use as Fertilisers and Conditioners (page 100)
- Contamination tested

- **Slaughter cleaning**
 - Annex 8 - Products Permitted for Cleaning and Sanitation of Surfaces and Equipment (page 114)
 - 6.15.8 Water must be free from unacceptable microbiological contamination and if chlorination is used to achieve this, chlorine levels must be less than 4 parts per million (ppm).
 - 6.15.7 Bleaches, sanitisers, detergents, antibacterial or other cleaning agents must be rinsed from all facility surfaces before use.

Contamination: Organic Residues associated with fatty tissue matrix:

The Australian National Residue Survey (NRS) investigates meat fat for OC pesticides, OP pesticides, PCBs (Polychlorinated biphenyls) and Synthetic Pyrethroids.

Minimum testing for new applicants should be for organophosphates and organochlorides.

Precaution requirements of Organic

3.1.14 Wool, meat and animal products, including honey and eggs, shall be tissue tested for pesticides and heavy metals prior to sale with reference to organic certification.

Also in the NOS

6.1.11 Meat, wool, eggs, milk and honey will be subject to a NATA approved laboratory testing of tissue for chemical and heavy metal residues prior to application of the NASAA label.