



## ORGANIC SYSTEM PLAN– CROP PRODUCERS

Business Name:	Certification Number:
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### Section H. Disease Management Practices

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USDA organic regulations require producers to implement management practices to prevent disease. These practices may include crop rotation, sanitation, cultural practices, mechanical methods, and physical methods. Preventive practices must be tried and found to be ineffective before the use of any materials to control disease.

1. Check the monitoring practices you implement to determine the effectiveness of your disease management plan.

- Observation of crop health       Disease modeling       Other (please specify):  
 Comparison of crop yields       Scouting program

2. Describe the frequency of the disease monitoring activities on your farm.

3. Check the disease preventive practices you implement on your farming operation.

- Crop rotation       Companion planting       Field sanitation (physical removal)  
 Resistant varieties       Microbial products       Timing of planting/cultivating  
 Vector management       Compost       Soil solarization  
 Plant spacing       Compost tea       Irrigation water management  
 Other (please specify):

4. Describe the records you maintain regarding your preventative disease management strategies.

5. If disease prevention strategies are not effective, do you plan to apply approved disease control materials?       Yes       No

**Tip!** Preventive practices must be implemented and found to be ineffective before the use of any materials to suppress and control disease. List all disease control materials you plan to use in the Materials Inventory.