



The Canadian Standards Interpretation Committee - 2016



Jean Duval

Jean is an agronomist who has specialized in organic farming for over 20 years. After agronomic studies in soil science at McGill University, he spent 7 years coordinating a provincial information service on organic agriculture at the Project for Ecological Agriculture, a center founded by Stuart Macdonald on McGill's Hill campus. He then became an organic inspector, and was responsible for consulting services at the Club Bio-Action, an organization for which he worked until 2009, advising organic farms in field crops and horticulture. Since 2011, he has been working as project manager at the Centre of Expertise and Transfer in Organic and Local Farming at the CÉGEP in Victoriaville, QC.



Rochelle Eisen

Rochelle has 26 years of experience in organic assurance, extension and consultation. She collaborates with Dr. Brenda Frick and Gunta Vitins under the banner of [Resilient Solutions Consulting](#). She is active on the Standards Interpretation Committee, the Organic Value Chain Roundtable, and is the current president of the Canadian Organic Growers. She also sits on the board of the Penticton Farmers' Market and the Organic Farming Institute of British Columbia (OFIBC).



Janine Gibson

Janine Gibson provides organic industry guidance to the Canada Organic Office of the CFIA, and also helps farm families better understand our organic standards.

Janine has served on the Organic Technical Committee since 1999, first representing the International Organic Inspectors Association (Canadian Committee), and then the Manitoba chapter of Canadian Organic Growers – the Organic Food Council of MB. She has been an organic inspector of Crops, Livestock and Processing since 1993, conducted a comparative analysis of Conformity Verification Bodies for the CFIA in 2002, and is a past national president of Canadian Organic Growers.



Amy Kremen -

Amy Kremen served as PSL Preparation/Processing Convenor since April 2014, having participated in several WGs since 2009. She is currently co-editor of the Canadian Organic Grower magazine. She has worked as a consultant for various clients (including COTA, CAEQ/CARTV and SARE), completing research, writing and editing projects. Since 2006, she has been involved in providing technical support for farms and urban farming/food security-related organisations in Canada. She has researched barriers affecting the adoption of organic farming systems and reported on U.S. organic agriculture statistics for USDA's Economic Research Service. She holds a MSc in Soil Science focused on sustainable agriculture and using Brassica cover crops for N recycling. Amy is a former diversified organic vegetable and flower farmer (Wisconsin, USA).



Kelly A. Monaghan

Kelly A. Monaghan, is an accredited process inspector of the International Organic Inspectors' Association (IOIA) and works for numerous international certification bodies. She consults with companies of all sizes and is the Guelph Food Technology Centre's organic specialist. Kelly is a sought-after trainer and has developed and facilitated training on organic certification and standards for various private and governmental bodies. She currently sits on the boards of the Canada Organic Trade Association, the Guelph Organic Conference Committee and is a Review Panel Member for OMRI Canada.



Tara Scott

Tara Scott is the Organic Transition Coordinator with the Atlantic Canadian Organic Regional Network. She has a Bachelor of Horticulture Technology from the Nova Scotia Agricultural College and Olds College in Alberta and has taken additional training through IOIA on the COR and NOP.

Prior to her position with ACORN, Scott managed retail sales and assisted production at Greenfields Farm (Campbellville, ON), Snake Hill Farm (OH) and co-farmed a 250 member CSA at the Ignatius Jesuit Centre (Guelph, ON) where she oversaw harvest and marketing as well as trained interns in the Principles and Practices of Organic Agriculture program. She has also worked with the Organic Council of Ontario, FarmStart and Ecocert Canada.



Ted Zettel

Ted Zettel was one of the first Canadian farmers to make the transition to organic farming, achieving certification in 1986. He helped found OntarBio Cooperative (now Organic Meadow) in 1989 and was the first President. He served as Public Relations Director for the Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario from 1987 until 1992, and has been active in teaching and promoting organic methods and the ideal of cooperation to achieve the common good across Canada and internationally. Ted retired from organic dairy farming after 29 years, but still manages their 400 acres as an organic cash crop operation, together with his wife and business partner Christine, and their son Mark. He is currently the Chair of the Standards Interpretation Committee, and the Organic Council of Ontario's delegate to the Organic Federation of Canada; he has been President of the OFC from 2008 to 2015.