



Urban Harvest

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## Farm Categories

This is intended to be a guideline only and we encourage you to research the terms yourself and certainly talk to your grower and visit their farms. Thank you for supporting local agriculture and farmers markets!

### Certified Organic

This grower practices strict organic principals of soil enrichment and pest control and is certified either by the state or a third party certification firm that has been approved by the Market Manager and the Executive Director. They may or may not use natural fertilizers, or synthetic fungicides or pesticides allowed by the law when a natural alternative is not available. Food manufacturers only utilize certified organic ingredients following organic labeling requirements. Guidelines are available at [www.ams.usda.gov/nop/nop/standards.html](http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop/nop/standards.html).

### Sustainable

Growers using the Sustainable label pledge to use only organic products and practices; however the term Organic is not used on their Urban Harvest provided signage since they are not certified. Urban Harvest advises consumers to ask these growers any questions they might have about their production practices, since it is hard to know how closely organic principles are followed.

### Conventional

This grower uses common agricultural practices. They may or may not use chemical or synthetic fertilizers, or synthetic fungicides or pesticides or added hormones. They may be a large or small grower.

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