
New OMAFA Factsheet: Starting an Organic Farm

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Organic farming involves more than just avoiding synthetic chemicals; it requires comprehensive changes in crop and livestock production systems, such as crop rotation, cover crops, and strategic genetics. These practices are essential to improving plant and herd health since many chemical tools conventionally used for pest and disease control are not used in organic production. Organic farmers choose not to use synthetic pesticides, fertilizers, or antibiotics.

Transitioning to organic farming is a gradual process that needs careful planning to avoid financial strain, as initial yields may decrease, and transitional products may not command higher prices. Successful organic farming requires thorough planning, resource evaluation, and continuous learning. Transitioning gradually and seeking advice from experienced organic farmers can help ensure success.

For more information, visit the new OMAFA factsheet, [Starting an Organic Farm](#).

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