

#### APPLICATION FOR THE RIGHT TO USE THE D.O. SAIMAA LABEL

The D.O. Saimaa label is a designation of origin and quality label which is granted on application. The aim of the D.O. Saimaa label is to communicate to consumers that the product or ingredient has been produced in accordance with high gastronomic and responsibility standards in the Saimaa region.

Please complete all sections of the application carefully. All applications will be processed and evaluated confidentially by a panel of experts. If they wish, the panel may request further information or make an appointment to visit the company's production site as part of its assessment work.

Please return the completed application form to the Registry of the South Savo Regional Council by email at kirjaamo@esavo.fi.

### **Company information**

Company / organisation	
Business ID	
Name of the contact person	
Telephone number	
Email	
Visiting address	
Postal code	
Postal address	
Number of personnel	
Turnover in euros	0-1000 1000-40000 40000 100000 100000 400000 400000 400000



**Aim of the company**Describe your activities and justify your application for the label

Why do you apply for the D.O. Saimaa label? For example, what added value do you think the label will bring to your business or how would you like to use the label?
For which foods, products or processed goods are you applying the label?
Do you also produce foods and products for which you are not applying the D.O. Saimaa label or which you consider to fall outside the criteria? If so, which ones?
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In this context, the Saimaa region covers about 100 kilometres of the Saimaa. The map is indicative.

# Questions related to the production process Please answer the following statements and questions.

The main ingredient of the food or product (for which the D.O. Saimaa quality label is applied for) is produced in the Saimaa region.	Yes No
The different stages of the production process mainly take place in the Saimaa region, but at least in Finland.	Yes No
Which stages, if any, of the production process (e.g. slaughter, peeling, packaging, subcontractitake place outside the Saimaa region and why?	ing)
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We aim for the shortest possible supply chain, i.e. as few middlemen as possible in the supply chain from the producer to the consumer.	Yes No
Which and how many middlemen are there in the product's journey and why?	
How would you describe your production process to the customer? Pay attention to transparence the different stages of the production process, as they are part of the quality and characteristics	



## Social criteria and questions

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Please answer the following questions.

Are you involved in any quality or certification system and if so, which ones? For example, Luomu, Maakuntien parhaat, Hyvää Suomesta		
Environmental responsibility - are you implementing the principles of responsibility and if so, how? E.g. biological control		
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## **Criteria and questions related to product characteristics**The starting point is quality that exceeds the requirements of food law.

How would you describe your products in the following areas?

appearance, texture, taste, smell			
b) characteristics that add gastronomic value freshness, purity, seasonality, variety and breed indications, information on cultivation and/or animal feeding			
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