



January 24, 2025

**RE: MILLING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

**TO ALL CALIFORNIA OLIVE OIL HANDLERS:**

The Olive Oil Commission of California Law was enacted and took effect on January 1, 2014. After 10 years of standards monitoring the Commission and the Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), need to update their records to confirm the established list of handlers, producers and volumes. Therefore, there will be an update to reporting requirements this fall upon commencement of the 2024 Harvest season. We are requesting that all handlers of California olive oil submit form A and B (for >5,000gal only) depending on your category of milling, no later than **February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025**.

***Who is required to submit this information?***

All Handlers of California olive oil are required to submit the proper form(s) depending on how many gallons you mill. This is being sent to all known handlers (mills) in the state; if you are aware of any handlers who have not received this notice please contact us.

***What is required?***

Details will include total volume reported in gallons handled by your firm; names, addresses, phone numbers and emails and respective volume (gallons of olive oil, tons fruit processed) for each producer from whom you receive California olives into oil; including custom processing (e.g. Toll processing).

The following information will be requested:

1. Form A Section I, II, and III- Quality for Qualified Mills and Form B Assessment Producer Details- these forms to be filled out by handlers who are current members of OOC and consistently mill >5,000 gallons each season.
2. Form A Section I and III- Quality for EXEMPT Mills- This form is to be filled out by handlers who are currently exempt from OOC regulations because they mill <5,000 gallons oil or voluntarily enrolled in the OOC for quality assessment.

***How to submit the requested information?***

Please email completed forms to the commission administrator [ecranmer@calapple.org](mailto:ecranmer@calapple.org) (Ethan Cranmer).



***Will my information be kept confidential?***

All information will be kept confidential, only members of the Olive Oil Commission Administrator, CDFA and UC Davis Researchers will have access to the data. Any Data shared with the OOC membership will be in the form of summaries and charts that don't identify individual handlers or producers. The confidentiality of the producer information submitted by handlers is addressed by Section 79874. of the California Food and Agricultural Code.

**79874.** (a) All proprietary information obtained by the commission or the secretary from any source, including the names and addresses of producers, shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed except if required by court order in a judicial proceeding.

(b) Information on volume shipments and any other related information that is required for reports to governmental agencies, financial reports to the commission on aggregate sales and inventory information, and any other information that gives only totals, but excludes individual information, may be disclosed by the commission.

Please contact this office if you would like more information on the issue of confidentiality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Sanders", is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Todd Sanders  
Executive Director  
Olive Oil Commission of California