

Dear Wegmans Store Manager,

As a frequent shopper in your store, I want to be able to purchase pork, chicken and beef that is Certified Humane®.

Like many of your customers, I care about where my food comes from and how my food is raised. I know you carry organic beef, chicken and pork.

While organic products and Certified Humane® products share a common goal of preventing the use of antibiotics and hormones in animals or animal by-products in feed, did you know this is where the similarities end?

**Certified Humane® standards go above and beyond organic products by also ensuring the humane treatment of farm animals at every stage of their life. Below are a few key examples.**

	<b><u>Certified Humane®</u></b>	<b>Organic</b>
<b>Pigs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prohibits gestation stalls</li><li>• Prohibits farrowing crates</li></ul>	<b>Does not prohibit</b>
<b>Cattle</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requires specific ways/how animals are castrated</li><li>• Requires pain relief</li></ul>	<b>Does not address</b>
<b>Slaughter for pigs and cattle</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Must meet the AMI Guidelines written by Dr. Temple Grandin a member of the Certified Humane® Scientific Committee</li><li>• Covers the entire process of humane slaughter</li></ul>	<b>Covers only chemicals used in slaughter plant</b>
<b>Chickens</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Requires adequate space</li><li>• Requires 6 hours complete darkness to sleep to slow growth</li><li>• Address catching and transport standards</li></ul>	<b>Does not address</b>
<b>Slaughter for chickens</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provides comprehensive humane slaughter standards written by Certified Humane® Scientific Committee</li></ul>	<b>Covers only chemicals used in slaughter plant</b>

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