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Fact-sheet

Recognitions of international standards

Feed Sector

1 Introduction

QS has reached agreements with international standard owners for the mutual recognition. With the mutual recognition a dual auditing of companies can be avoided. QS-certified companies have the possibility to deliver into other schemes without additional audits on the basis of their QS-certification (and vice versa). This fact sheet describes for which activities and under which conditions companies can use the recognition.

2 Bilateral Recognitions

2.1 Recognized Standards

Currently the following activities are recognized between QS and other standard owners:



GMP+ International
(GMP+ FSA)

- Production of compound feed, feed materials, feed additives and premixtures (incl. QS-small scale feed materials producers)
- Trade
- Private Labelling
- Storage and transshipment
- Road transport
- Rail, inland waterway and sea transport



OVOCOM/Bemefa
(FCA)

- Production of compound feed, feed materials, feed additives and premixtures
- Trade
- Private Labelling
- Storage and transshipment
- Road transport
- Rail, inland waterway and sea transport



AIC
(UFAS, FEMAS, TASCC)

- Production of compound feed, feed materials, feed additives and premixtures
- Trade
- Storage and transshipment
- Road transport
- Rail, inland waterway and sea transport

pastus+ AMA (pastus+)

- Production of compound feed and feed materials
- Trade
- Storage and transshipment
- Road transport
- Mobile feed milling and mixing plants

qualimat Qualimat

- Road transport

EFISC (EFISC Aisbl)

- An EFISC-certification is recognized by QS for:
 - Production of feed materials of the oilseed and starch industry
- A QS-certification is recognized by EFISC for:
 - Production of feed materials
 - Trade
 - Transport
 - Storage and transshipment

Coceral (GTP)

- A GTP-certification is recognized by QS for:
 - Trade of feed materials of vegetable origin
 - Storage of feed materials of vegetable origin
 - Own transport of feed materials of vegetable origin (only in combination with trade or storage)
- A QS-certification is recognized by GTP for:
 - Production of feed materials
 - Trade
 - Transport
 - Storage and transshipment

2.2 Conditions for the recognition for QS-certified companies

QS-certified companies, which would like to obtain a recognition for other schemes, have to conduct a yearly QS-audit. In the master data of the company in the QS-database there has to be deposit for which other standards the QS-audit shall be recognized. Depending on the standard and the production scope the signature of an agreement with the other standard owner is necessary.

2.3 Conditions for the recognition for companies certified by other schemes

Third-party certified companies which would like to obtain a recognition by QS have to register in the QS-database under www.qs-plattform.de. Depending on the standard and the production scope the signature of a QS scheme agreement is necessary. After an approval by QS the company is eligible to deliver in the QS scheme and can be found in the QS scheme participants search under www.qs-plattform.de.

You can find a supporting document for the registration in the QS-database under [this link](#).

3 Unilateral recognitions

For one standard owner there is currently a unilateral recognition effective. QS recognizes the certification as follows:



- Production of feed additives and additive blends

Currently FamiQS-certified companies do not have to register in the QS-database; nevertheless a valid FamiQS-certificate has to be provided to the QS-certified client and the company has to be published by FamiQS.

Further Information

You can find detailed information on recognitions of international standards in the feed sector in annex 10.1 (Recognitions) of the guideline feed sector. The document is available on www.q-s.de under Documents (see „Feed sector“).

4 QM milk

Based on their certification, feed producers with QS delivery eligibility can deliver to dairy farmers who work in compliance with the requirements of QM milk. For this purpose, the business in question registers in the QS database and clicks on the field "Participation QM milk" in the location data. The companies are then listed in the QS scheme participants search under www.qs-plattform.de as "QS-certified companies participating in QM-Milch".