



Qualitätssicherung. Vom Landwirt bis zur Ladentheke.



Declaration of Participation Storage of Meat and Meat Products

Company Master Data

Business/Company: _____

Street/No.: _____

Postcode: _____ City: _____ Country: _____

First name and last name **legal representative**: _____

Telephone (landline and/or mobile): _____

Fax/e-mail: _____

The QS Qualität und Sicherheit GmbH („QS“) is scheme owner and vehicle of QS. *Quality Scheme for Food*. („QS scheme“) that covers all stages of the supply chain. The standards defined by the scheme owner set forth stringent, verifiable production and marketing criteria for all stages of the supply chain – from the feed sector to the food retail sector.

On behalf of QS scheme participants third parties perform storage activities for meat and meat products. With the guideline *Storage of Meat and Meat Products* QS has defined requirements for storage processes. Simultaneously QS recognized the standards *IFS Logistics*, *IFS Food*, *IFS Wholesale/Cash & Carry*, *BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* as equivalent.

On these premises, I declare on basis of a certification according to

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| <input type="checkbox"/> QS standard <i>Storage of Meat and Meat Products</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>IFS Wholesale/Cash & Carry</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> standard <i>IFS Logistics</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>BRC Storage & Distribution</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> standard <i>IFS Food</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>BRC Food Safety</i> |

(please tick one option)

the participation in the QS scheme. By signing and accepting this declaration of participation by the commissioned and for the QS scheme approved/registered certification body

Name of the certification body: _____

Street/No.: _____

Postcode: _____ City: _____ Country: _____

Telephone (landline and/or mobile): _____

Fax/Email: _____

I receive the approval for the production scope *Storage of Meat and Meat Products* in the QS scheme.



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By signing this declaration of participation I commit myself

1. to register my company in the QS database and to enter all relevant master data required for the participation in the QS scheme into the QS database and to keep them up to date. I will inform the certification body in a timely manner about changes of the master data as well as essential changes of the methods and procedures used within the company.
2. to comply with the requirements defined in the QS standard *Storage of Meat and Meat Products* or in the standards *IFS Logistics* and *IFS Food*, *IFS Wholesale/Cash&Carry*, *BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* to rectify the deficiencies detected during the audit or in another way and to implement the corrective measures agreed with the certification body within the agreed deadline. This obligation applies to all registered sites/locations. I am aware that the standards *IFS Logistics*, *IFS Food*, *IFS Wholesale/Cash&Carry*, *BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* are recognized as equivalent by QS in its latest version at the time of submission of this declaration. Furthermore, I am aware that
 - a) QS can withdraw the recognition of the standards *IFS Logistics*, *IFS Food*, *IFS Wholesale/Cash & Carry*, *BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* at any time; with the withdrawal, companies for the storage of meat and meat products in the QS scheme will be omitted.
 - b) only third parties (subcontracting) may be commissioned for the storage of QS meat and meat products that are also approved for the production scope *Storage of Meat and Meat Products* in the QS scheme.
 - c) products and delivery documents may only indicate the QS scheme, if our customer can be clearly identified in the QS database as a QS scheme participant with eligibility to deliver at the time when goods are handed over and accepted.
3. to pay the costs for the participation in the QS scheme with a payment of annual fees according to the scale of fees of the certification body. I am aware that the certification body pays system fees for the participation of my company to QS according to the current QS scale of fees.
4. to immediately inform QS in a written way, if the participation of my company in the QS scheme should be dissolved and this declaration is withdrawn.
5. to use the QS certification mark only in adherence with the style guide of the QS scheme manual. I am aware that drafts of printed media or screenshots of the online communication need to be submitted to QS for examination and approval before usage.
6. to allow announced or unannounced controls in my company at any time and the inspection of required documents by QS approved certification bodies, a QS employee or a third party commissioned by QS.
7. in the event of an incident or crisis, I have to provide the relevant audit reports via our commissioned certification body to QS, if the audit reports are not already deposited in the QS database.

I agree that personal and business-related data of my company is collected for the purposes of quality assurance within the QS scheme and that this data is stored in the QS scheme databases, processed and used by QS. QS is entitled to publish my participation in the QS scheme and the status of my delivery eligibility in the QS scheme. The data relating to my company may only be used by coordinators or other scheme participants, as well as by other service providers within the QS scheme (such as certification bodies) to the extent required for them to fulfil their tasks relating to quality assurance in the QS



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scheme. I can agree to further usage, beyond the scope defined in the QS scheme manual by making an appropriate declaration vis-a-vis my certification body. My certification body commits itself to pass this declaration to QS.

I am aware, that I can view the data stored and processed within the QS databases at any time and demand deletion of said data at any time and revoke any rights to use, publish and distribute said data at any time by means of declaration vis-a-vis my certification body.

I am also aware that the rights granted to use, publish and distribute my data are the basis of my participation in the QS scheme. If I revoke my declaration of consent or demand the deletion of my data - the usage, publication and sharing of which are required for my participation in the QS scheme - my participation in the QS scheme shall end immediately.

My personal and business-related data may not be passed to third parties above and beyond the aforementioned rights of usage, publication and distribution, nor may they be used for purposes other than quality assurance within the QS scheme, unless I have expressly agreed to the distribution thereof to third parties or usage thereof for other purposes.

This declaration comes into effect with its signing. It can be terminated by either party to it in writing by the third day of a quarter with a notice period to the end of the quarter. In case that my company expands its field of activity in the QS scheme above the QS standard *Storage of Meat and Meat Products* (e.g. trading of goods, processing etc.) and therefore concludes a scheme agreement with QS, this declaration of participation can be terminated immediately without any further notification period. The right of extraordinary termination for an important reason (e.g. legal succession, infringements of QS conditions, decision about blocking) is not otherwise affected by this.

Place, Date

Company for storage of meat and meat products
(Signature of Legal Representative, Stamp)

We confirm the acceptance of the declaration of participation.

Place, Date

Certification Body (Signature, Stamp)