



Fresh Produce Standards Changes



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- **Recommendation.** This is not a standard and a non-conformance raised will not affect your certification. However, these are recommended actions to undertake to help demonstrate working to Red Tractor and industry core principles.
- **New.** A completely new standard which the member must now adhere to, or a new recommendation.
- **Revised.** A standard that has changed and requires the member to take some different or additional action to before.
- **Removed.** A standard that has been removed



This icon indicates that a record is required and suggests potential documentary evidence which could be used to show compliance.

Risk Assessment (RA)

Standard	How you will be measured	
<p>RA.1 KEY</p> <p>A documented risk assessment has been completed, covering all process steps for each relevant crop from site selection, drilling or planting through to packing, storage and transportation of product. All crop production processes are considered to identify any physical, chemical, allergenic or microbiological food safety risks and suitable preventative actions are implemented</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RA.1.g (NEW) <p>Risks associated with food fraud and malicious contamination are included within the risk assessment</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk assessment
<p>RA.6 KEY</p> <p>All production sites are risk assessed and deemed suitable for use</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RA.6.d (REVISED) <p>Site Risk Assessments consider any relevant risks within the production environment, including any risks in close proximity to the site that may affect food safety and risks from neighbouring production sites such as spray drift</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site risk assessment(s)



<p>RA.7 (REMOVED) The threat and potential of malicious contamination is fully considered within the Risk Assessment</p>	<p>All associated audit points removed</p>	
<p>RA.8 Members understand the Red Tractor Standards and complete Internal Audits to verify their effective implementation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RA.8.c (NEW) Where non-conformances are detected, effective corrective actions are implemented 	<p>R</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal audit • Internal audit report





Documents and Procedures (DP)

Standard	How you will be measured	
<p>DP.3 (REVISED) Systems must be in place for recording, investigating and resolution of any complaints and/or sampling results that are relevant to the requirements of the Red Tractor Standards.</p>	<p>DP.3.a System includes recording the</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complaint • Investigation result • Action taken to prevent/stop the issue happening again • Complaints trending for food safety issues 	<p>R</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complaint records • Complaints trending • Sample records
<p>GUIDANCE (REVISED)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes complaints made by local authority, general public, customers or others, including but not limited to those related to food safety and environmental protection • Includes results of any relevant analyses carried out on any samples that have importance to human health e.g. microbiological testing, residues, environmental sampling 		

Personnel (PL)

Standard	How you will be measured	
<p>PL.1 (REVISED) Systems must be in place to ensure all personnel are effectively trained and deemed competent to carry out the</p>		<p>R</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Induction records • Training records




activities they are required to do		
PL.5 (REVISED) Written Health and Safety Policy in place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL.5a (REMOVED) Health and Safety Policy in place 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and Safety Policy
PL.5.1 (NEW) Accident and emergency procedures are displayed and communicated		 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accident and emergency plan(s)
PL.6.1 (NEW) Workers have access to clean drinking water, food storage where appropriate, and areas to eat and rest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL.6.1.a All workers have unrestricted access to drinking water • PL.6.1.b If workers eat on the farm, they are provided with a suitable place to store food and eat 	
PL.10 (REVISED) A Health and Safety risk assessment has been carried out, which includes consideration of increased risk for high-risk workers.		 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and Safety risk assessment(s)
PL.10.1 (NEW) A grievance mechanism appropriate to the scale of the farm is in place which allows workers to file complaints	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL.10.1.a The mechanism is confidential with no potential for complaints to be traced to individual workers • PL.10.1.b The mechanism is simple to use and is clearly described in a way which is understood by all workers • PL.10.1.c Complaints are reviewed and issues are resolved where possible 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grievance complaints record • Grievance outcome/action log




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL.10.1.d Records are kept of filed complaints and evidence of resolution 	
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Traceability and Assurance (TI)

Standard	How you will be measured	
TI.2 Records of bought-in seeds or plants must be kept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TI.2.a (REVISED) Records detail: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suppliers • variety names • purity • germination rates • batch numbers • quality control systems • Agreements with seed houses (where applicable) 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seed/plant traceability record • Quality control information • Pest and disease monitoring records • Microbiological testing certificates

Energy Efficiency/Environmental Impact (EE)

Standard	How you will be measured	
EE.1.1 (<i>Recommendation</i>) (NEW) A plan is in place to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and sequester carbon where possible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EE.1.1.a The farm's reduction and sequestration of greenhouse gases is supported with metrics 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm plan relating to emissions metrics
EE.2 (<i>Recommendation</i>) (REMOVED) It is recommended that energy use on farm is monitored		

Integrated Pest Management (IM)

Standard	How you will be measured	
IM.1 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) must be in place to	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IM.1.d (NEW) The person technically responsible for the IPM plan 	



proactively manage crop production	has received appropriate training or has sought advice from a suitably qualified person (Guidance: eg. BASIS qualified or advised by BASIS qualified advisor)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IPM plan
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IM.1.e (NEW) Prevention measures identified in the IPM plan are implemented 	
<p>IM.5 A sample of each crop must be tested for pesticide residues at least annually, unless an evidence-based justification for less frequent testing is present</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IM.5.e (REVISED) Investigation and appropriate follow up actions are taken in response to any MRL exceedance or detection of non-applied PPPs (including use of contingency plan where needed) 	<div style="text-align: center;"></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pesticide test results Documented follow up actions (where appropriate) Documented sampling procedure Documented justification for reduced testing frequency or testing suite (where applicable)



Soil Management (SM)

Standard	How you will be measured	
<p>SM.1 A soil management plan (SMP) must be established and implemented</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SM.1.d (NEW) Appropriate measures are taken where possible to maintain crop cover to ensure bare soil does not remain exposed for extended periods of time 	<div style="text-align: center;"></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil Management Plan
<p>SM.2 (Recommendation) It is recommended that the soil management plan is informed by site specific data and key</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SM.2.a (REVISED) Conservation and building of soil organic matter is considered 	<div style="text-align: center;"></div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test results




information is shared with relevant personnel		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm map(s)
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Environment (EC)

Standard	How you will be measured		
EC.7 All PPP application equipment must be maintained and tested	EC.7.a (REVISED)		 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSTS Certificates
	Equipment	Testing Frequency	
	Boom sprayers over 3 metres and air blast sprayers	Annual NSTS test	
	Granular nematicide applicator		
	Boom sprayers 3 metres and under, micro-granular and slug pellet applicators, weed wipers, seed treatment and other specialist application equipment	NSTS tested before the equipment is 5 years old and thereafter NSTS tested once every 6 years	
Handheld/knapsack sprayers	No testing required		
EC.7.2 (REMOVED) Where Metaldehyde is used, it must be used in a manner that reduces the risk to water, birds and small mammals.	All associated audit points removed		
EC.7.6 (REMOVED) It is recommended that records of disposal of surplus spray are kept.			
EC.8 (REVISED) Records must be kept of all applications of PPPs and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EC.8.d (NEW) Records are kept of applications of biological controls, such as natural	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPP application records 	



any other substances applied to the crop	predators, and any other substances not classed as PPPs (GUIDANCE “Other substances” may include products not covered by pesticide legislation such as growth promoters, biostimulants, pH adjusters, etc.)	Biological control introduction records
EC.8.3 (REMOVED) Records are kept of the introduction of biological agents		
EC.9.2 (REVISED) Fertiliser rates must be based on a calculation of the nutrient requirements of the crop and on regular analysis of nutrient levels in soil, plant or nutrient solution and with consideration of nutrient content of any organic manure applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EC.9.2a (REMOVED) Proper account is taken of nutrient content of organic manure. 	
EC.9.3 (REMOVED) The supply and timing of nutrient application must be matched to meet crop demand	All associated audit points removed	
EC.12 Systems are in place to manage waste responsibly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EC.12.c (NEW) Consideration is given to the minimisation and management of food waste, where applicable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Waste and recycling management plan

Irrigation (IG)

Standards	How you will be measured	
IG.7 (Recommendation) (NEW) The Water Management Plan gives consideration to		



participation in collaborative water management activities with neighbouring stakeholders		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water management plan
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Operational area: Harvesting (HS)

Standards	How you will be measured	
HS.4 Personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate to the crop type being produced must be provided and maintained in good condition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HS.4.h (NEW) There is evidence that the PPE provided is being used by the workers 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HS.4.i (NEW) Suitable changing facilities are provided where necessary. This may not be needed if PPE is worn over existing clothing 	








Operational area: Produce Packing and Site Operations (PP)

Standards	How you will be measured	
PP.5 Personal protective equipment (PPE) appropriate to the crop type being produced must be provided and maintained in good condition	PP.5.h (NEW) There is evidence that the PPE provided is being used by the workers	
	PP.5.i (NEW) Suitable changing facilities are provided where necessary. This may not be needed if PPE is worn over existing clothing	



GLOBALG.A.P (GG)

Only applicable to members who require a GLOBALG.A.P certificate.

Standard	How you will be measured	
<p>GG.1 (NEW) A procedure is in place to manage and control documents and records</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GG.1.a A system is in place which demonstrates how documents and records are created, reviewed, approved and updated 	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site policy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GG.1.b Documentation shall be identified with an issue number and/or date and appropriately paginated 	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Documented program 	
<p>GG.2 (Risk Categories 0 & 1 only) (NEW) A risk based microbial environmental monitoring program is in place for post-harvest product handling areas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GG.3.a Transaction documentation includes reference to the GLOBALG.A.P status and number (GGN) 	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Example document
<p>GG.3 (NEW) Where growers are using the GLOBALG.A.P. logo, use must be in accordance with the "GLOBALG.A.P trademarks use: Policy and guidelines"</p>	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring record(s) 	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring record(s)
<p>GG.4 (NEW) Energy use on farm is monitored and data is used to inform energy management</p>	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer specification documentation 	<p></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer specification documentation
<p>GG.5 (NEW) Customer specifications are available for the product being harvested / packed</p>		



GG.6 (NEW)

Human sewage sludge has not been applied to land in the past 5 years, including treated biosolids



- Application record(s)