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1 GENERAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name and version of the Add-on:	GLOBALG.A.P. Farm Sustainability Assessment (GGFSA) Version 2.1
Scope:	Any product in the Crops Base (CB) scope (e.g. FV, CC, PPM) of the IFA and CfP Standard. It cannot be used on Aquaculture or Livestock products.
Scheme ID:	225
Application in country(ies):	All countries
Add-on observers:	All SAI Platform members. For an updated list of members with access to the GLOBALG.A.P. Database, please refer to the GGFSA observers list.
The applicable Add-on Control Points and Compliance Criteria (CPCC) name and version:	GGFSA Joint Product Control Points and Compliance Criteria V2.1
Applicable documents:	1. GGFSA Specification Rules (this document) 2. GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on Rules 3. GGFSA CPCCs (checklist) 4. GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP), especially points 3, 4, 8, and 9.
Relevant links:	www.fsatool.com www.saiplatform.org

About the GLOBALG.A.P. Farm Sustainability Assessment

The GLOBALG.A.P. Farm Sustainability Assessment (GGFSA) is a joint solution by GLOBALG.A.P. and the SAI Platform. This is the first concrete step following the [Declaration of Abu Dhabi](#), the 3 pillars of which are:

- 1) A common set of good agricultural practices criteria.
- 2) A system for uniquely identifying every farm that is recognized by all stakeholders.
- 3) A mechanism for securing the commitment and reporting by supply chains.

1.1 FSA CLAIMS

Within the FSA system, there are different "implementation methods", which are permitted in order to make FSA claims for a producer (or producer group, farm management system, etc.) and/or supply chain participant (traders, middle-men, processors, etc.). The GGFSA joint solution provides a transparent market communication solution for all stakeholders using the GLOBALG.A.P. system.

There are two ways to make a verified FSA claim using the GLOBALG.A.P. System:

1. Normally, a producer or supply chain participant will use the GGFSA Add-on to make an FSA claim based on GLOBALG.A.P. certification plus verified self-assessment
2. In certain circumstances, FSA claims can be made based on GLOBALG.A.P. certification plus benchmarked schemes or legislation, without the need for self-assessment.

1.1.1 FSA claims using the GGFSA

The GGFSA joint solution provides a third-party verification by the CB of the FSA self-assessment. This solution has been specifically designed for all suppliers that have a GLOBALG.A.P. certificate (either IFA or CfP) and who seek to make clear claims to the market regarding their FSA performance level.

1.1.2 FSA claims based on SAI Platform benchmarking procedure

In case your current GLOBALG.A.P. certificate has been recognized by the SAI Platform benchmarking with a certain FSA level, you can communicate that claim through the GLOBALG.A.P. system.

First, you need to see whether your current GLOBALG.A.P. certificate has achieved a certain FSA recognition level through the SAI Platform benchmarking. For this, please download the SAI Platform file "[Benchmarking Results and Planning Overview](#)". You then need to search your current certificate recognition, taking into consideration your country of production and its FSA recognition level.

Please bear in mind that the SAI Platform benchmarking methodology takes into consideration national legislation and other country-specific factors, which leads to different recognition levels per country of the same standard (i.e. IFA).

In case your certificate has been recognized with a certain FSA level and you would like to make use of this recognition, you need to inform your Certification Body (CB) that you would like to make your FSA claim based on SAI Platform benchmarking procedure. For this option, you will NOT need to complete the self-assessment. However, you need to supply the relevant data, acknowledge and sign the applicable GGFSFA Data Access Rules (Annex 2 below) and be registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.

1.1.2.1 Improve your FSA level

In case your current certificate has been recognized by the SAI Platform benchmarking with for example "Silver" level and you would like to achieve the "Gold" level, then you can use the GGFSFA joint solution to do so. In this case you will need to complete the self-assessment, and the CB needs to validate it through an on-site verification assessment. Your CB will upload the assessment result to the GLOBALG.A.P. database, so you can communicate your higher level of performance to the market in a transparent and accessible way.

2 GENERAL RULES SPECIFICATIONS

This document refers to the clauses in the [GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on Rules](#) and defines the specific requirements for the GGFSFA Version 2.1.

Clause (Numbering based on GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on rules)	Add-on General Rule	Specific Requirements for the GGFSFA
3. APPLICATION OPTIONS		
Pre-conditions:		Producer must have a valid GLOBALG.A.P. IFA or CfP certificate for Crops.
3.1 Option 1 – Individual Producer		yes
3.1.1	Option 1 – Multisite without implementation of a QMS	yes
3.1.2	Option 1 – Multisite with implementation of a QMS	yes
3.2 Option 2 – Producer Group		yes

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Clause (Numbering based on GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on rules)	Add-on General Rule	Specific Requirements for the GGFSa
4. REGISTRATION PROCESS		
4.1 Certification Bodies		
a)	The applicant shall register with a GLOBALG.A.P. approved Certification Body (CB).	CBs (finally approved) for IFA or CfP in the CB sub-scopes FV, CC, PPM, and GRASP.
c)	Information on approved CBs is available for every Add-On and published on the GLOBALG.A.P. website if requested by the program owner.	yes
4.2 Registration		
d)	The duration of the service contract is set between the CB and the producer.	Yes, up to 3 years.
5. ASSESSMENT PROCESS		
5.1 Self-Assessment		
a)	Self-assessments are required in case the specific Add-on includes this requirement in the Control Points and Compliance Criteria.	Yes, every 3 years.
5.2 Second or Third-Party Inspections		
a)	A second (an appointed organization) or third party (an independent Certification Body) shall conduct the Add-on inspections and this shall be defined in the Add-on General Rules Specifications.	Only third-party assessments are allowed.
b)	The inspections shall only be carried out by the following parties as approved:	Not applicable
i)	CB inspectors or auditors that are already approved to conduct inspections for accredited standards such as GLOBALG.A.P.	IFA or CfP and GRASP
ii)	Inspectors or auditors from GLOBALG.A.P. approved CBs conducting inspections against non-accredited standards	Not allowed
iii)	Licensed Farm Assurers that have approval for assessing the specific Add-on.	Not allowed

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Clause (Numbering based on GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on rules)	Add-on General Rule	Specific Requirements for the GGFSa
5.2.1 Option 1 – Individual Producer (without QMS)		
a)	Producer receives an annual inspection.	No, the GGFSa audit shall take place every 3 years and shall take place at the same time (joint audit) as any IFA/CfP audit. The CB shall re-issue the conformance letter in year 2 and 3 based on the assessment of year 1. The new assessment shall take place in year 4.
b)	The duration and timing of inspections will be clarified.	Yes
c)	The timing will be clarified.	Yes, by means of a Technical News for CBs.
5.2.2 Option 1 – Individual Producer with a QMS and Option 2 – Group		
a)	The QMS and the producers must be inspected/audited.	Yes
b)	The CB does not inspect all producers/sites, but just a sample. It is not the responsibility of the CB to determine the performance of each producer/site (this responsibility rests with the applicant). The CB must assess whether the applicant's internal controls are appropriate.	Yes, based on answer to 3.2.
c)	The duration of inspections will be clarified.	Yes, by means of a Technical News for CBs.
d)	The sampling method, frequency, timing will be clarified.	Same sampling as reference standard (IFA or CfP). Same producers being audited at the same time as the IFA/CfP audit.
5.3 Unannounced Surveillance Inspections		
a)	It is possible that a specific Add-on program requires that producers receive unannounced surveillance inspections.	Same as reference standard IFA/CfP.
b)	If it is a requirement, 10% of the Add-on producers or groups of a CB/Farm Assurer shall be assessed annually, unless stated otherwise in the Add-on General Rules Specifications.	Depends on a) above
c)	The inspection shall be announced no longer than 48 hours in advance.	Depends on a) above

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Clause (Numbering based on GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on rules)	Add-on General Rule	Specific Requirements for the GGFSA
6. APPROVAL PROCESS		
6.1 Requirements to achieve and maintain Add-on performance		
a)	The CPCC of the Add-on program may consist of different levels; e.g. Knock-out points, Major Musts, Minor Musts, or Recommendations, or may have a scoring system.	FSA levels are: essential, basic, and advanced. The CPCCs reflect these levels accordingly. Scoring: Depending on the audit results, the performance level score is calculated in the Excel list (GGFSA CPCCs (checklist)), which is expressed as "partially equivalent", bronze, silver, and gold level. There is no "pass or fail" of the verification audit. Detailed calculation is available on the checklist.
b)	For each Add-on program, the conformance rules based on the constitution of the CPCC and will be stipulated.	Yes, CPCC levels are "Essential, Basic, and Advanced".
c)	The performance level score percentage shall be calculated taking into account all the control points applicable to each site and product.	Yes, see calculation (scoring) on the checklist.
d)	In all cases, after an inspection, the calculation to show FSA score and performance level must be available.	Yes, FSA performance level calculation and the FSA audit report must be available on site.
6.2 FSA Deviations		
c)	Outstanding deviations identified during the inspections shall be closed within the timeframe agreed with the program owner.	Same time as in IFA/CfP (reference standard): within 28 days any deviations shall be agreed upon. That is, the CB and the producer (producer group) shall agree upon the performance level the company had on the time of the inspection. If an agreement cannot be reached within 28 days, a maximum of two additional months may be granted; however, in this time no letter of attestation shall be issued. In case no agreement can be reached, escalations shall be directed to fsatool@saipatform.org for adjudication.
6.5 Letter of Attestation		Letter of Attestation is issued, not a certificate. See table II below "Attestation letter requirements" and template in Annex 3. This shall only be issued once the performance level claim has been agreed upon.

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Clause (Numbering based on GLOBALG.A.P. General Add-on rules)	Add-on General Rule	Specific Requirements for the GGFSa
6.6 Certification Integrity Program (CIPRO)		Applicable just as in IFA (if CB/producer has been chosen, then GGFSa criteria shall also be verified). No extra CIPRO only for GGFSa.
a)	The possibility of adding CIPRO to the Add-on program shall be clarified.	If a CIPRO is taking place for an IFA/CB with GGFSa.
7. CERTIFICATION BODY REGISTRATION RULES FOR THE ADD-ON PROGRAM		
7.1 GLOBALG.A.P. Approved CBs		
iii)	a) Register in the GLOBALG.A.P. CB Extranet (http://cb.globalgap.org) for the new Add-on. b) Submit a letter of intent in English to the GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat. c) Pay an annual registration fee according to the GLOBALG.A.P. fee table that will allow the CB to assess against all scopes of the Add-on program. d) Follow the database training for producer registration and checklist uploading when applicable. Register all inspectors for the Add-on(s) in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.	Yes
Annex I.1 Rules for use of the GLOBALG.A.P. Add-on trademark and logo.	Own Add-on logo (if applicable)	None
7.2 Licensed Farm Assurers		Not applicable
Further Specifications		
Data Access Rights (DAR)	In case of a different data release level as defined in the Annex III.	Yes, see GGFSa observer role DAR in Annex 1.
Inspector Qualifications	In case of other requirements as indicated in IFA GR Part III Annex III.1 and Farm Assurer Application Document.	Inspector requirements IFA + GRASP (see IFA GR Part III). No Farm Assurers accepted as inspectors.
Fees	Any additional fees that may apply for the different Add-ons.	Yes, 50% of IFA producer registration fees. See Annex 2.
Any additional rule/requirement not mentioned in this document:		YES, please see below: - QMS and claims audit specification rules - Audit reporting shall be done based on the requirements specified on the checklist - Conformance letter requirements

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TABLE I: QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (QMS) AND CLAIMS AUDIT SPECIFICATION RULES

This table specifies the additional clauses for the auditing of Quality Management Systems (QMS) for the GGfSA. It is applicable to producer groups or individual producers with QMS.

After case by case approval, a GLOBALG.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC) certificate holder may become the legal entity managing a GGfSA QMS. For this option please contact standard_support@globalgap.org.

Note: The FSA system refers to "Farm Management Systems" (FMS), while the GLOBALG.A.P. system uses the term "Quality Management Systems" (QMS); however, at the producer level both terms refer to the same. Within this document we use the term "QMS". The FSA System uses the term "Farm Management Group" (FMG) for a sub-group of producers created within a QMS according to certain logical coherence, for example: production systems or FSA implementation option.

I.1	Traceability	<p>The traceability system of the QMS shall clearly identify the volumes of each individual producer and/or site according to the producer (or product) GGfSA level. The traceability system shall be robust enough to trace back to each producer the volumes produced.</p> <p>However, it is not necessary to physically segregate volumes by their GGfSA level. "Book and claim" (mass-balancing) of the different volumes and levels is possible if accepted by the buyer.</p> <p>One producer and/or site may only have one GGfSA level per product.</p> <p>Producers registered for PP/PO shall indicate their volumes according to the GGfSA levels.</p> <p>Volumes without GGfSA verification assessment cannot reflect a GGfSA level in the attestation letter.</p>
I.2	Claims	<p>Claims shall be done as specified below.</p> <p>It is not possible to make retroactive claims.</p>
I.2.1	<p>Individual Claims</p> <p><i>See: SAI Platform Implementation Framework 4.1 p. 7</i></p>	<p>Individual farms are allowed to claim performance on total farm agricultural material covered by FSA scope, or on the crops specified in the assessment. All volume covered by the assessment can therefore be considered 100% gold/silver/bronze or not-yet bronze.</p>
I.2.2	<p>Producer group claims</p> <p><i>See: SAI Platform Implementation Framework 4.2 p. 8</i></p>	<p>Based on the results of the GGfSA assessments audit, the total (aggregated) volumes produced by the QMS need to be declared. The claims should be done per GLOBALG.A.P. IFA (or CfP) certified product (crop) as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • x tons &/or % gold • x tons &/or % silver • x tons &/or % bronze • x tons &/or % not yet bronze (partially equivalent) <p>The claim is based on the volume sourced from all farms that have been identified as part of the group.</p> <p>For further information please refer to the notes heading below.</p>

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	Example:	<p>A QMS system shall only make aggregated claims of the total volumes of their GGfSA compliant producers.</p> <p>For example: A QMS has 100 suppliers for product "A", of which: 50% of suppliers have "Gold" level. 25% of suppliers have "Silver" level. 15% of suppliers have the "Bronze" level, and 10% of suppliers are "partially equivalent" ("not yet bronze").</p> <p>In this case 50% of the total volume of product "A" produced within this QMS shall be claimed as "Gold", 25% as "Silver", 15% as "Bronze" and 10% as "not yet bronze".</p>
I.2.3	Supplier and Buyer Claims See: Supplier & Buyer claims, SAI Platform Implementation Framework 4.3-4 p. 9-10.	<p>Within the FSA there is no Chain of Custody. If a supply chain member (middle-men, traders, processors, etc.) purchases GGfSA compliant product, that supply chain member may aggregate the claims in the same manner as stipulated above.</p> <p>In this sense, suppliers and buyers are responsible for managing FSA volume claims.</p>
I.3	Producer engagement and support for continuous improvement	<p>The producer group or individual producer with QMS shall create (or ensure the implementation of) action and continuous improvement plans by all producers and/or at all sites.</p> <p>Action and continuous improvement plans are created using the results of the first year self-assessment and verification assessments; therefore, they are not required in the first year.</p> <p>A QMS may have various FMGs due to different production systems, FSA levels, engagement times, and/or FSA implementation options (benchmarking, FSA stand alone or hybrid). In this case, there shall be an action and continuous plan tailored for each FMG.</p> <p>Action and continuous improvement plans are tailored to the situation and may have various forms such as knowledge transfer, etc. and they do not necessary lead to a yearly improvement of the GGfSA level (e.g.: silver to gold).</p>
I.4	QMS audit frequency	<p>The GGfSA QMS audit shall take place every 3 years and shall take place at the same time (joint audit) as the IFA/CfP re-certification audit.</p> <p>The CB shall re-issue the conformance letter in year 2 and 3 based on the assessment of year 1. The new assessment shall take place in year 4.</p>
I.5	QMS audit sampling	<p>The sampling of the producers to be externally inspected (by the CB) follows the same sampling regime as the GLOBALG.A.P. audit. In fact, the selected farmers of the IFA/CfP QMS audit shall be the ones audited against the GGfSA criteria.</p>

TABLE II: ATTESTATION LETTER REQUIREMENTS

II.1 Attestation Letter Requirements		
a)	Attestation letter requirements	<p>The attestation letter shall comply with all the requirements specified in the GGFSFA attestation letter template (see Annex 3).</p> <p>This letter is only valid as long as the IFA/CfP certificate is valid.</p>
b)	Uploading the attestation letter into the GLOBALG.A.P. Database	The updated attestation letter shall be uploaded into the GLOBALG.A.P. Database.
c)	Database attributes	Once they become available, the GGFSFA attributes shall be assigned to each GGN according to their level. This will enable each producer to show the respective performance level individually and thus their progress over time.

ANNEX 1 – GGFSa DATA ACCESS RULES

✓ indicates that this producer data is visible to users assigned to the respective data access group.

	Data access groups		
	GLOBALG.A.P. staff	Administrator (Certification Body)	GGFSa observer
Company			
Company name	✓	✓	✓
Company address ²⁾	✓	✓	✓
Current GLN / GGN	✓	✓	✓
Previous GGN	✓	✓	✓
Legal registration per country	✓	✓	✓
Location ⁴⁾	✓	✓	✓
Contact person (responsible for legal entity)			
Contact name ⁵⁾	✓	✓	✓
Contact address ²⁾	✓	✓	✓
Contact information ³⁾	✓	✓	✓
Product Handling Unit (PHU) Production Site (PS) Information			
Name of PHU and PS	✓	✓	✓
PHU / PS address	✓	✓	✓
Company address ²⁾	✓	✓	✓
Sub-GLN(s)	✓	✓	✓
Product data			
GGFSa quantity data (in % of total volume)	✓	✓	✓
Letter of attestation (incl. summary of continuous improvement and priority actions)	✓	✓	✓

²⁾ Address includes: Country, city, street address, postal address and postal code.

³⁾ Contact information includes: Phone no., fax no., email.

⁴⁾ Location includes: Northern/Southern + Western/Eastern latitude.

⁵⁾ Contact name includes: Title, first name, last name.

ANNEX 2 – GGFSa PRODUCER REGISTRATION FEES

Valid from: 1 January 2018

Option: 1 – individual producer and 2 – producer group

Scope: Crops Base

Sub-Scope: Fruit and Vegetables, Combinable Crops, and Plant Propagation Material

Producer Registration Fee for producers outside of USA and Canada

COVERED PRODUCTION

Area under Covered Production [hectares]	Annual Fee
< 0.1	0.14 €
≥ 0.1 - < 0.5	2.65 €
≥ 0.5 - < 1	5.30 €
≥ 1 - < 1.5	7.95 €
≥ 1.5 - < 5	15.90 €
≥ 5 - < 10	26.50 €
≥ 10 - < 30	42.40 €
≥ 30 - < 100	79.50 €
≥ 100 - < 500	159.00 €
≥ 500	265.00 €

NON-COVERED PRODUCTION

Area under Non-Covered Production [hectares]	Annual Fee
< 0.1	0.06 €
≥ 0.1 - < 0.5	1.06 €
≥ 0.5 - < 2	2.12 €
≥ 2 - < 5	5.30 €
≥ 5 - < 15	7.95 €
≥ 15 - < 100	15.90 €
≥ 100 - < 1,000	37.10 €
≥ 1,000 - < 5,000	79.50 €
≥ 5,000 - < 10,000	159.00 €
≥ 10,000	265.00 €

Producer Registration Fee for producers in USA and Canada

COVERED PRODUCTION

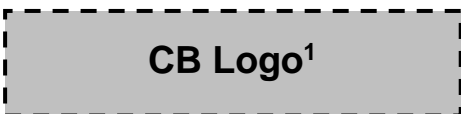
Area under Covered Production [hectares]	Annual Fee
< 0.1	10.00 \$
≥ 0.1 - < 0.5	30.00 \$
≥ 0.5 - < 1	57.50 \$
≥ 1 - < 1.5	75.00 \$
≥ 1.5 - < 5	125.00 \$
≥ 5 - < 10	187.50 \$
≥ 10 - < 30	227.50 \$
≥ 30 - < 100	375.00 \$
≥ 100 - < 500	750.00 \$
≥ 500	1350.00 \$

NON-COVERED PRODUCTION

Area under Non-Covered Production [hectares]	Annual Fee
< 0.1	5 \$
≥ 0.1 - < 0.5	12.50 \$
≥ 0.5 - < 2	22.50 \$
≥ 2 - < 5	37.50 \$
≥ 5 - < 15	62.50 \$
≥ 15 - < 100	112.50 \$
≥ 100 - < 1,000	200.00 \$
≥ 1,000 - < 5,000	375.00 \$
≥ 5,000 - < 10,000	750.00 \$
≥ 10,000	1350.00 \$

Note: This table will become part of the GLOBALG.A.P. fee table.

ANNEX 3 – LETTER OF ATTESTATION TEMPLATE FOR GGFS A



GGN Number: GGN_XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX²

Registration number of company (from CB) XXXXXXXX³

Letter of Attestation

According to
“GLOBALG.A.P. Farm Sustainability Assessment (GGFSA) Add-on”
or “The SAI Platform benchmarking implementation option through GGFS A”⁴
 Version xx⁵

Issued to

Company/Producer
 Company Name, Address⁶

Country of Production/Company Location⁷

The Certification Body [Company Name] declares that the company has been assessed against the add-on and version mentioned above.

Product(s) ⁸	Volume(s) ⁹ (in % of total volume)	Percentage (%) of farms at each GGFS A level ¹⁰			
		Gold	Silver	Bronze	Partially Equivalent

In case of producer groups, the claims are based on the aggregated product volume sourced from all farms that have been identified as part of the group. In case of an individual producer only one GGFS A level per product is possible. In case of parallel production, only GGFS A compliant volumes shall be included.

Date of issue (printing date of letter): xx/xx/xxxx¹¹

Valid from: xx/xx/xxxx¹²

Valid to: xx/xx/xxxx¹³

Authorized by¹⁴

Date of attestation decision: xx/xx/xxxx¹⁵

This attestation letter is only valid as long as the IFA and/or CfP certificate is valid¹⁶.
The current status of this attestation letter is always displayed at: <http://www.globalgap.org/search>¹⁷

ANNEX for GGFSa attestation letter: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx¹⁸

Date of issue: xx/xx/xxxx¹⁹

Producer Group Members (Option 2)²¹

GGN or GLN ²²	Producer name and address ²³	Product(s) ²⁴	Volume(s) ²⁵	FSA performance level ²⁶

Production Sites (Option 1)²⁷

Site name and address ²⁸	Product(s) ²⁴	Volume(s) ²⁵	FSA performance level ²⁶

Notes

The attestation letter shall be in English. You may add a second language in the letter.

- 1 Certification Body (CB) Logo shall appear on all attestation letters.
- 2 GLOBALG.A.P. Number (GGN) shall appear on all attestation letters. In case a certificate holder owns a Global Location Number (GLN), this number shall replace the GGN.
- 3 The registration number of a company/producer or producer group, which is assigned by the CB **may** (voluntary) appear on all attestation letters. It consists of the CB-Short and a number (with exactly a single space between the two: CB-Short xxxxxxxxxxxx)
- 4 Select the appropriate implementation option. Only one can be mentioned in a certificate (either via the GGFSa or the SAI Platform benchmarking option).
- 5 Please enter "GLOBALG.A.P. Farm Sustainability Assessment Version x.x". Always mention the version used.
- 6 Name and the address of the legal entity receiving the letter of attestation shall be printed on the paper letter.
- 7 Country of the company location.
- 8 Products mentioned in the attestation letter shall be the same ones as those on the IFA/CfP certificate.
- 9 Volumes in % of total volume shall be aggregated by product(s).
 - a. Within a producer group, volumes shall be extrapolated to the GGFSa performance level achieved by the total producer group.

For example, if 20% of the producers in the producer group are assessed to be GGFSa Silver level for a certain product, then 20% of the total volume of that product from the producer group may be claimed as GGFSa Silver. .

- b. In case of an individual producer, 100% of its volume by product shall be considered to be at the same performance level.
- 10 GGFSa performance level shall be aggregated by product. For example:
 - product "A" x tons & % gold
 - product "A" x tons & % silver
 - product "A" x tons & % bronze
 - product "A" x tons & % not yet bronze

 - product "B" x tons & % gold
 - product "B" x tons & % silver
 - product "B" x tons & % bronze
 - product "B" x tons & % not yet bronze

For example: A producer group (QMS) has 100 members supplying product "A", of which:
 50% of suppliers have "Gold" level
 25% of suppliers have "Silver" level
 15% of suppliers have the "Bronze" level, and
 10% of suppliers are "partially equivalent" ("not yet bronze")

In this case **50% of the total volume** of product "A" produced within the entire producer group (QMS) shall be claimed as "Gold", 25% as "Silver", 15% as "Bronze" and 10% as "not yet bronze" – regardless of the actual volumes produced by the individual gold compliant members. Therefore, the QMS makes claims using a “book and claim” system and not by segregation of the volumes according to their level.

- 11 Date of issue is the printing date of the paper attestation letter. It shall be added to the first page of the attestation letter and to the Annex to connect each other.
- 12 The attestation letter “Valid from” date defines the beginning of validity.
- 13 The attestation letter “Valid to” date is the expiry date of validity.
- 14 The first and the last name of the person who has authorized the attestation letter, written in block letters. This person must sign the attestation letter.
- 15 “Date of Attestation Decision” shall appear on all attestation letters.
- 16 This note (“*This attestation letter is only valid as long as the IFA and/or CfP certificate is valid*”) shall be added to all paper attestation letters to point out that the GGFSAs assessment relies on a GLOBALG.A.P. IFA or CfP certificate.
- 17 “*The current status of this attestation letter is always displayed at: <http://www.globalgap.org/search>*” shall be added to all paper attestation letters to point out that only a validation in the GLOBALG.A.P. Database proves the current status of the attestation letter.
- 18 The annex (including the GGN of the holder) must be added.
- 19 Date of issuing of the annex shall match the date of issuing of the attestation letter (see point 11).
- 20 Page numbering shall be included (Page x of y) to show total number of pages.
- 21 In case of Option 2 or 4, all members of the producer group registered for the GGFSAs shall be listed in a table per product. In case of multiple FMGs, these may be listed separately.
- 22 All GGFSAs registered members of the producer groups (Option 2) are different legal entities and receive a GGN, which shall appear in the table. They may have an own GLN instead of the GGN.
- 23 Name and address of the GGFSAs registered producer group members shall be printed on the attestation letter.
- 24 Products approved per producer member, production site or PHU.
- 25 Volumes as specified under claims above.
- 26 GGFSAs performance level as specified above.
- 27 In case of multisite (Option 1), all registered sites shall be listed.
- 28 Name and address of the production sites shall be listed.

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New document	Replaced document	Date of publication	Description of Modifications
180904_GG_FSA_Specification_Rules_V2.1-1_en	180202_GG_FSA_Specification_Rules_en	4 September 2018	<p>Wording was adapted through the document to reflect the FSA language and spirit.</p> <p>Table I was amended to give more clarification of its applicability and individual points of this table were reformulated to be more precise.</p> <p>Letter of attestation (before compliance letter) was also reviewed, namely: annex information changed, whereby the summary of action and continuous improvement plans was deleted and list of producer group members (in case option 2) was added.</p>