GLOBALG.A.P. STANDARDS

Our internationally recognized standards for primary production and supply chains are the result of years of intensive collaboration with industry experts, producers, and retailers around the globe.

GLOBALG.A.P. ADD-ONS

Tailored add-ons can be combined with our standards to extend the certification scope. Designed for specific aspects of production and the supply chain, we offer customized, flexible solutions for all farm assurance needs.

INTEGRATED FARM ASSURANCE

Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) is GLOBALG.A.P.’s flagship standard. Developed in consultation with stakeholders across the entire global supply chain, it takes a holistic approach to responsible farming and is audited by accredited, independent third-party certification bodies.

GGN LABEL

Farms and businesses with GLOBALG.A.P. certified production processes have the option to further demonstrate their commitment to responsible farming by joining the GGN label initiative: A consumer label which makes responsible farming visible on store shelves.
The IFA standard for fruit and vegetables defines clear criteria for responsible farming practices. It covers primary production, from preharvest activities such as soil management and plant protection product application to basic postharvest handling. IFA is designed to help improve farm management, raise the efficiency of farm operations, protect environmental resources, and enable access to international markets. It is tried, tested, and trusted across the globe, with over 200,000 producers and 4 million hectares of fruit and vegetable production processes certified annually.

**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

Supports the **United Nations Global Compact** Food and Agribusiness Principles and the **Sustainable Development Goals**

**HOW IT WORKS**

- **Certification options** for both individual producers and producer groups
- **Available for every type and size of farm**, including smallholders
- **Covers hundreds of products and all types of production systems**, from covered and noncovered production to hydroponics
- **Audited annually** by accredited, independent third-party certification bodies
- **The GLOBALG.A.P. Integrity Program**, the first of its kind in agricultural certification, ensures the consistent delivery and implementation of the standard worldwide

IFA v6 is available now. Scan the code or find out more at: [www.globalgap.org/IFAv6](http://www.globalgap.org/IFAv6)

**HOLISTIC APPROACH**

IFA for fruit and vegetables takes a holistic approach to responsible farming through **five key topics:**

- Food Safety
- Workers’ Well-being
- Environmental Sustainability
- Production Processes
- Legal, Management and Traceability

**SETTING THE STANDARD SINCE 2001 | WHY IFA FRUIT AND VEGETABLES IS RIGHT FOR YOU**

- Mitigate food safety and reputational risks
- Demonstrate commitment to responsible farming
- Support and contribute to an industry-driven solution
- Fulfill international supply chain requirements and access new markets
- Open the door to a range of supply chain solutions
A smarter approach to sustainability is one of the four pillars of GLOBALG.A.P.’s smart farm assurance solutions strategy, and IFA v6 features new and more rigorous sustainability topics:

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CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

IFA v6 also introduces a mandatory continuous improvement plan at farm level for the first time.

1. Producers implement a plan to analyze current practices
2. Targeted areas are identified and measurable goals for improvement are set – for example, optimizing energy use
3. Producers demonstrate their efforts towards improving sustainability during the annual audit
4. The plan is adjusted or redefined based on progress

GRASP

HOW IT WORKS

The GLOBALG.A.P. Risk Assessment on Social Practice (GRASP) is a farm level social management tool for global supply chains.

- Covers all social criteria listed in the International Labour Organization’s core labor conventions
- Raises awareness for social compliance and helps identify and mitigate social risks
- Based on country-specific interpretation guidelines for local legislation
- Covers all production under IFA
- Affordable assessment system for all farm types – including smallholders – and can be combined with the IFA FV audit

Learn more at: www.globalgap.org/grasp

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Version 2 of the GRASP add-on covers topics split into four pillars of social responsibility:

- Worker’s Voice
  Association, workers’ representation, and complaint process

- Child and Young Worker’s Protection
  Working age, child labor, and compulsory school access

- Human and Labor Rights Information
  Producer’s human rights policies and access to labor regulation information

- Human and Labor Rights Indicators
  Terms of employment documents and forced labor indicators
The GGN label is a consumer label that stands for certified, responsible farming and transparency.

Found on both packed and loose fruit and vegetables, product packaging and/or labeling features a **13-digit identification number** that allows consumers to trace the origins of products via the GGN label portal.

Learn more at: www.globalgap.org/ggnlabel

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**GETTING CERTIFIED**

1. Download the relevant documents from the GLOBALG.A.P. website  
   GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations, IFA v6 for fruit and vegetables, and any applicable add-on checklists

2. Implement the standard requirements and perform a self-assessment  
   Registered Trainers can provide assistance during audit preparations

3. Contact a GLOBALG.A.P. approved certification body (CB) and request an audit  
   Search the full list of approved CBs by region, country, scope, and status

4. CB performs on-site audit and uploads results to Audit Online Hub  
   All non-compliances must be closed within 28 days and verified by the CB

5. Receive a GLOBALG.A.P. IFA certificate for the relevant scope  
   Certification status is now visible in the GLOBALG.A.P. IT systems

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**REQUIREMENTS**

- **Valid GLOBALG.A.P. IFA certificate** for fruit and vegetables
- **Monitoring of** maximum residue limits by a GLOBALG.A.P. recognized residue monitoring system
- **Fully compliant** GRASP assessment
- **Valid GLOBALG.A.P.** Chain of Custody certificate for supply chain members
- **GGN label license** for the business responsible for labeling the product

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**GGN LABEL FEES**

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The GGN label helps you show your commitment to responsible farming!