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Annex 10.1 Recognized standards

Recognition of separately certified quality management systems

Separately certified QM systems may be recognized for chapters 2.3. – 2.8 in the QS audit if the scope of the certification includes feed. In this case it is not necessary to check the chapter 2.3 to 2.8 in the QS-audit.

For producers of food it has to be checked if the QM system includes the feed sector. If this is not the case, three criteria of the chapters 2.3-2.8 have to be checked to be able to assess if the feed sector is included in the scope of the QM system.

The following QM systems can currently be recognised in the QS audit:

- ISO 9001:2008, ISO 9001:2015 et seqq.
- ISO 22000:2005 et seqq.
- FSSC 22000
- IFS
- BRC
- FCA (Ovocom/Bemefa), GMP+ FSA (GMP+ International), UFAS/FEMAS (AIC), Pastus+ (AMA), Qualimat Transport, EFISC

Mutual recognitions with other standards

QS has agreed mutual recognitions of audits and/or certificates with several international standard owners of the feed sector. Thereby a dual auditing of companies can be avoided. QS-certified companies have the possibility, on the basis of their QS-certification, to deliver in different systems (and backwards).

The recognition is possible for feed, which is within the current regulatory scope of QS (feed materials, additives, premixes and compound feed for cattle, pigs, broiler poultry, laying hens and poultry for multiplying). To clarify possible additional requirements companies should get directly in contact with the respective standard owner.

Recognition of the QS-audit by other standard owners

(The following applies for the recognition for the following standards: GMP+ Int., Ovocom, AIC, AMA, Qualimat transport)

Login with access data on the QS software platform via the button "database login". Afterwards: select for the appropriate location under "Recognition in third-party system" for which third-party systems a recognition is wished (set a checkmark in the database under master data/locations).

For the recognition of small scale feed material producers by GMP+ and of mobile feed milling and mixing plants by AMA the certification body deposits the request for recognition in the database.

In companies that want to deliver on the basis of their QS audits in another system there usually has to be conducted at least an annual QS-audit referred to the last conducted QS audit (at intervals of maximal 12 months). Otherwise the eligibility to deliver in the third-party system expires.

The recognition of the QS audits (or the ability to supply for the third-party system) is implemented by a publication on www.qs-plattform.de.



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Recognition of audits of other standards by QS

For the recognition of other standards by QS: the companies have to be registered in the QS database (this is also valid for companies which are certified according to GMP+ Int., Ovocom, AIC, AMA, Qualimat, EFISC or GTP). Depending on the agreements between the standard owners the company has to sign a QS scheme agreement. Companies which are certified for the production of feed have to conduct unannounced audits within their scheme for the QS recognition. Detailed Information regarding to the respective recognition are described below.

Version a) The company is already registered in the QS database and changes from QS to a recognized standard:

- Login with access data on the QS database via the button "database login". Afterwards: select for the appropriate location as "Certification system" the standard owner according to which it was certified (e.g. GMP+ International or Ovocom). Thereby the registration number, which the company has received through its standard owner, has to be entered mandatory.
- The standard owner confirms the data of the certification (certification validity) to QS in the database.
- The company/location can be found in the scheme participants search under **www.qs-plattform.de** in the same way as was previously the case.
- Where appropriate a new QS scheme agreement will be sent to the company for the participation in the QS scheme within the certification of another standard.
- In the event of a blocking or withdrawal of the third-party certificate, the QS supply authorisation is also invalidated.

Version b) The company is not yet registered in the QS database:

- Registration of the company on the QS database via the button "Initial registration". Afterwards: Select as the certification system the standard owner according to which the company has been certified (e.g. certification system "GMP+ Int."). Thereby the registration number is to be deposited mandatory, which the company has received through its standard owner.
- The standard owner confirms to QS the authorisation data of certificate (validity period) in the QS database.
- QS issues a scheme agreement for the company¹. Once the scheme agreements for scheme participation have been signed, the company is published via the scheme participants search under **www.qs-plattform.de**.
- The eligibility to deliver is confirmed by publication in the QS database.

¹ GMP+FSA-certified traders, feed material and additives producers, transport and storage companies do not receive a QS scheme agreement.

On the website **www.q-s.de** under "support" an instruction for the initial registration is published ("Initial Registration for Feed Companies Certified According to Recognized Standards").

Certification status of suppliers

Feed, which shall be traded in the QS scheme, may only be supplied from producers, traders as well as transport and storage companies which are eligible to deliver in the QS scheme at the moment of the delivery. When supplying feed as packed good from a trader, which is not eligible to deliver, the producer of the feed has to be eligible to deliver into the QS scheme.

Exceptions of the certification obligation of the supplier are described in the annexes 10.2 Gate-keeping regulation and 10.3 Certification obligation.

⇒ Annex 10.2 Gate-keeping regulation

⇒ Annex 10.3 Certification obligation for feed companies



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Note: All companies, which are eligible to deliver into the QS scheme, are published in the scheme participant search under www.qs-plattform.de.

2.1 Mutual recognitions with GMP+ International (Dutch GMP+ FC-System)



Table 1: Scope of mutual recognitions with GMP+ International

Activity/production scope QS	Standard and scope of the GMP+ certificate
Production of compound feed* (QS scope 71 and 701)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1 „Production of compound feed“ ■ limited until 30.06.2018: Country Notes Italy and Central & Eastern Europe “BCN-IT” and “BCN-CEE” ■ Scope „unannounced Audits“
Production of feed materials** (QS scope 72, 702, 73 and 703)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1, GMP+ B2 „Production of feed materials“ ■ Scope „unannounced Audit“
Production of premixes* (QS scope 70)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1 „Production of premixes “ ■ limited until 30.06.2018: Country Notes Italy and Central & Eastern Europe “BCN-IT” and “BCN-CEE” ■ Scope „unannounced Audit“
Production of feed additives** (QS scope 700)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1, GMP+ B2 „Production of feed additives“ ■ Scope „unannounced Audit“
Trade with feed and primary agricultural products** (QS scope 76)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1, GMP+ B3.2, B3 „trade with compound feed“, „trade with feed materials“, “trade with premixes/feed additives “
Private Labelling** (QS scope 74)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1, GMP+ B3.2, B3 „trade with compound feed“, „trade with feed materials“, “trade with premixes/feed additives “
Storage/transshipment of feed (as a service)**(QS scope 77)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B1, GMP+ B3 „Storage/transshipment“
Road transport of feed ** (QS scope 78)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B4 „Road transport“, “Affreightment for road transport“ ■ Limited until 30.06.2018: Country Note Italy “BCN-IT”
Inland waterway transport** (QS scope 79)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B4 „Affreightment of Short Sea Shipping and Inland Waterway Transport“
Sea Transport** (QS scope 79)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B4 „Sea Transport Affreightment“
Rail Transport** (QS scope 79)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ GMP+ B4 „Rail Transport Affreightment“

* QS-certified producers of compound feed or premixtures, which want to get a GMP+ recognition, have to contact GMP+ directly to get listed in the GMP+ database. GMP+ raises a fee for this. GMP+ certified companies, which want to get a QS-recognition for this scope, have to sign a QS scheme agreement and to pay QS fees. The scheme agreement contains the right to use the QS certification mark.



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** For QS-certified producers of feed materials and additives, traders, private labeller, transport and storage companies, the data are automatically transferred to the GMP+ database if the checkmark is set in the QS-database. For GMP+ certified companies, which want to get a QS-recognition for these scopes, the signature of a QS scheme agreement and the payment of QS fees is not necessary, therefore these companies may not use the QS certification mark.

2.2 Mutual recognitions with OVOCOM/Bemefa (Belgian FCA-System)



Table 2: Scope of mutual recognitions with OVOCOM/Bemefa

Activity	Scope of the Ovocom- certificate
Production of compound feed (QS scope 71 and 701)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA "MP" ■ Compound feed for ruminants: Scope „Productie van plantaardige mengvoeders"
Production of feed materials (QS scope 72 and 702)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA "GP", "GPVW" or "VWP"
Production of feed additives (QS scope 700)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA "TP"
Production of feed premixes (QS scope 70)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA "VP"
Private Labelling (QS scope 74)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA "MH", "VH", "GH" or "TH"
Trade with feed and agricultural primary products (QS scope 76)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA „MH", „GH", „VWH, "TH" or "VH"
Transport of feed (QS scope 78 and 79)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA „TVWE", „TVWA", „TVM" or „TVOR"
Storage of feed (QS scope 77)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FCA „OO"

For OVOCOM-certified companies besides the registration in the QS-database there is a contractual integration with QS necessary.

2.3 Mutual recognitions with Agricultural Industries Confederation (AIC, British UFAS/FEMAS/TASSC-System)



Table 3: Scope of mutual recognitions with Agricultural Industries Confederation

Activity	Scope of the AIC- certificate
Compound feed production (QS scope 71 and 701)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UFAS
Feed material production (QS scope 72 and 702)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FEMAS
Trade with feed and agricultural primary products (QS scope 76)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UFAS ■ FEMAS ■ TASSC Merchants



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Activity	Scope of the AIC- certificate
Transport of feed (QS scope 78 and 79)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UFAS ■ FEMAS ■ TASSC Road Haulage
Storage of feed (QS scope 77)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UFAS ■ FEMAS ■ TASSC Storage
Production of feed additives (QS scope 700)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ FEMAS
Production of premixes (QS scope 70)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ UFAS

For AIC-certified companies besides the registration in the QS-database a contractual integration with QS is necessary.

2.4 Mutual recognitions with AMA Agrarmarkt Austria Marketing GmbH (Austrian Pastus+ System)



Table 4: Scope of mutual recognitions with AMA Agrarmarkt Austria Marketing GmbH

Activity	Scope of the AMA-certificate
Production of compound feed (QS scope 71 and 701)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
Production of feed materials (QS scope 72 and 702)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
Trade of feed (QS scope 76)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
Storage of feed (QS scope 77)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
Road transport (QS scope 78)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
Mobile feed milling and mixing plants ^{1, 2} (QS scope 75)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
QS- small scale feed material producer ² (feed material production, QS scope 73, 703)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria
Private Labelling (QS scope 74)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pastus+ Austria

¹ Note: In Pastus+-certified plants which want to have a recognition for QS there may not be produced medicated feed and compound feed in parallel. If a pastus+-certified plant operator sells fats and oils, which he brings to the client and mixes in, he has additionally be certified for the trade of feed.

² the registration in the QS database need to be done by AMA Marketing

Additionally a contractual integration of the company with the standard owner (QS or AMA) and possibly the payment of system fees is necessary.

If the QS system has special requirements for feed monitoring (e.g. an ad-hoc monitoring plan) for which there is no equivalent provision in the pastus+ requirements, these special requirements must also be met by pastus+ certified companies if they want to deliver to the QS scheme. Test data and analysis results must then be stored in the QS database. The same applies to QS-certified companies who want to



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deliver into the pastus+ scheme if there are special requirements for feed monitoring in the pastus+ scheme. In both cases, QS will inform the companies accordingly.

2.5 Mutual recognition with Qualimat (French Qualimat Transport System)



Table 5: Scope of mutual recognition with Qualimat Transport

Activity	Qualimat-certificate
Transport of feed (QS scope 78)	■ Qualimat Transport

For Qualimat-certified companies a contractual integration with QS is necessary.

2.6 Mutual recognition with EFISC-GTP Aisbl. (European Feed and Food Ingredient Safety Certification Aisbl, EFISC- and GTP-Code)



QS certified companies which are certified for one of the following activities can deliver to EFISC-GTP certified companies without additional audit:

- feed materials production (QS scope 72, 702 and 73)
- trade (QS scope 76)
- storage and transhipment (QS scope 77)
- transport (QS scope 78 and 79)

For deliveries to EFISC-GTP certified companies the client has to be provided with the QS-certificate. If there are special requirements for feed monitoring in the EFISC-GTP scheme (e.g. an ad-hoc monitoring plan) for which there is no equivalent provision in the QS requirements, then the ad-hoc monitoring plan must also be adhered to by QS-certified companies. In this event, QS will notify the companies accordingly.

Table 6: Scope of mutual recognition with EFISC-GTP Aisbl.

Activity	EFISC-certificate
Production of feed materials of the oilseed, starch and biodiesel sector	■ EFISC
Trade in feed materials of plant origin (including primary agricultural products) Storage of feed materials of plant origin (including primary agricultural products) Transport of feed materials of plant origin (including primary agricultural products, only in connection with trade and/or storage, pure transport activities cannot be recognised)	■ GTP

EFISC-GTP certified companies which produce feed material of the oilseed, starch or biodiesel sector as well as trade or store feeds can deliver into the QS scheme without an additional audit. For this purpose, the company must register in the QS database and select EFISC-GTP as the certification scheme. They also have to sign a contractual agreement with QS. A list of feed material covered by the recognition of the oilseed and starch sector can be requested from QS. For the biodiesel sector the recognition for the



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feed materials Glycerine and Glycerine, crude is valid. If there are special requirements for feed monitoring in the QS scheme (e.g. an ad-hoc monitoring plan) for which there is no equivalent provision in the EFISC-GTP requirements, then these special requirements must also be met by EFISC-GTP-certified businesses if they want to deliver into the QS scheme. In this event, QS will notify the companies accordingly. EFISC-GTP certified companies must also implement the QS rules on positive release sampling (see Guideline Feed Monitoring) and comply with the QS exclusion list (see Guideline Feed Sector, Annex 10.4).

2.7 Mutual Recognitions with Fami-QS

Table 7: Scope of mutual recognition with Fami-QS

Activity	Fami-QS-certificate
Production of feed additives and additive formulations (additive blends)	■ Production of feed additives
Production of premixes	■ Production of premixes
Production of feed material	■ Production of "functional feed materials"*
Trade with feed additives	■ Trade with feed additives
Tade with premixes	■ Trade with premixes

* Functional feed materials currently included:

- Calcium carbonate
- Sodium dihydrogen orthophosphate
- Disodium hydrogenorthophosphate
- Calcium hydrogen orthophosphate
- Trisodium orthophosphate
- Sodium sulphate
- Calcium tetrahydro gen diorthophosphate
- Tetra sodium diphosphate
- Pentasodium triphosphate
- Dicalcium diphosphate
- Calcium sulphate, dihydrate
- Sodium carbonate
- Sodium hydrogen carbonate
- Sodium, potassium and calcium salts of edible fatty acids with at least 4 carbon atoms/stearates
- Mono- and diglycerides of fatty acids with at least 4 carbon atoms
- Mono- and diglycerides of edible fatty acids with at least 4 carbon atoms esterified with acetic acid, lactic acid, citric acid, tartaric acid, mono- and diacetyl tartaric acid
- Glycerol
- Propane-1,2-diol
- Pectins

Some of these feed materials are subject of a positive release sampling in the QS scheme. For deliveries into the QS scheme, Fami-QS-certified companies must meet these requirements according to the QS guideline feed monitoring. The analysis results must be made available for QS customers.

QS-certified companies that want to use the recognition, can supply Fami-QS-certified companies without an additional audit. For this purpose, the recognition request must be entered in the QS software platform



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Fami-QS-certified companies can deliver into the QS scheme without an additional audit. Therefore, a registration of the companies in the QS-software platform is necessary. The standard owner Fami-QS takes over the registration in the QS platform for the companies.

3. Recognition of other standards



3.1 Recognition of QM-milk

Feed producers and traders with QS delivery eligibility can deliver to dairy farmers that work in compliance with the requirements of QM milk. For this purpose, the business in question must log onto the QS database and put a tick in the field "Participation QM Milk" in the location data. The businesses then appear in the public search as "QS-certified companies participating in QM Milch". Excluded from this regulation are GMP+ certified and QS recognized companies which have the GMP+ „Country-Note QM-Milk“. These companies will automatically be listed as "QS-certified companies participating in QM-Milch" without putting a tick.

3.2 Temporary recognitions of Oqualim until 31st December 2019 (French RCNA-Standard)



Table 8: Scope of Recognition of Oqualim

Activity	Scope of Oqualim-certificate
Production of compound feed (QS scopes 71 and 701)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Manufacturing, distribution and placing on the market of compound feed and premixes Recognition only if certification in combination with OQUALIM annex 1 "Purchase requirements for goods and services".
Production of feed premixes (QS scope 70)	
Trade with compound feed (QS scope 76, only in combination with 70 or 71 possible)	
Trade with feed premixes (QS scope 76, only in combination with 70 or 71 possible)	

QS certified companies which wants to deliver to France should please get in contact with the QS office. QS make a list with companies which are eligible to deliver und publish this on our homepage www.q-s.de.

Oqualim certified companies do not have to register in the QS database temporary. All companies which have the eligibility of delivery will be published on the homepage of Oqualim (www.oqualim.fr) and QS (www.q-s.de)