

 Technical Specifications

# MI5.6 - Responsible feed

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## Introduction

This document has been created by GMP+ International. The main goal is to provide GMP+ certified companies the possibility for an add-on certification for feed that is compliant with market requirements for the production and trade of responsible feed materials and responsible compound feed.

### **Market initiative responsible compound feed**

Being an important link between production, trade and consumption of soy through feed, GMP+ International developed, in response to a clear German market demand, an objective and traceable assurance of the production and trade of responsible feed materials and responsible compound feed. This document is a result of this request. This document is recognized by QS.

Currently the production and trade of responsible soy and responsible compound feed is addressed in [chapter 4](#) of this document. In the future this scope can be extended with production and trade of other commodities (for example palm oil and fish meal), but it is also possible to include other 'responsibility aspects' such as carbon footprint, energy use, etc. Therefore the document will grow in the upcoming years to facilitate growth into more and more responsible compound feed.

# 1. Scope of this document

See § 3.5 in F0.3 *Scopes for certification*.

## 2. Normative references

This document must always be used in combination with the R5.0 *Feed Responsibility Management Systems Requirements* which ensures the implementation of a Feed Responsibility Management System (FRMS). The combined use enables a company to provide responsible feed products and feed services in accordance to market requests.

This document is to be used:

- a. in addition to the GMP+ FSA module, or;
- b. in combination with an equivalent feed safety standard (see TS1.2 *Purchase*), or;
- c. without additional certification.

### 3. Terms and Definitions

See F0.2 *Definition list*.

## 4. Responsible feed

### 4.1. Feed Responsibility Management System

The certified company must meet the following requirements mentioned in R5.0 *Feed Responsibility Management Systems Requirements*:

Chapter / §	Subject
2	Normative references
4	System requirements (including the paragraphs in this chapter)
5.1	Material accounting system
5.2	Segregation
5.3	Mass Balance
5.5	Book & Claim

### 4.2. Purchasing requirements

All feed labelled as compliant with the scope 'Responsible feed' must comply with the purchasing requirements below.

 **Helpful tip:**

See § 4.5.1. "Inform the customer about the status of the feed" in the document R5.0 *Feed Responsibility Management Systems Requirements*.

#### 4.2.1. Purchasing of responsible soy

The certified company must purchase its responsible soy from a supplier that is certified according to the following specifications:

For supply chain model:	Supplier that is certified for at least one of the standards in:
Segregation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appendix 1 with the scope Identity Preserved or Segregation</li> <li>Appendix 2 with the scope Identity Preserved or Segregation</li> </ul>
Mass Balance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appendix 1 with the scope Identity Preserved, Segregation or Mass Balance</li> <li>Appendix 2 with the scope Identity Preserved, Segregation or Mass Balance</li> </ul>
Book & Claim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appendix 1 with the scope Book &amp; Claim</li> <li>Appendix 2 with the scope Book &amp; Claim</li> </ul>

The version of the standard, as described in Appendix 1 or Appendix 2, must be documented.

 **Helpful tip:**

Examples of documentation are delivery notes, weighing notes, transport documents or invoices.

### 4.2.2. Purchasing of credits

Credits for the supply chain model Book & Claim must be purchased according to the requirements of the recognized standards stated in § 4.2.1 "Purchasing of responsible soy".

#### Helpful tip:

In the table below examples of soy standards for the supply chain model Book & Claim with a reference to their websites are described. For the current list of the recognized soy standards see Appendix 1.

Soy standard:	Website:
ADM Responsible Soybean Standard	<a href="https://www.adm.com/">https://www.adm.com/</a>
Amaggi FIELD ORIGINS	<a href="https://www.amaggi.com.br/en/home-english/">https://www.amaggi.com.br/en/home-english/</a>
Cefetra Certified Responsible Soya Standard	<a href="https://certifiedsoya.com/">https://certifiedsoya.com/</a>
Donau Soja	<a href="https://www.donausoja.org/">https://www.donausoja.org/</a>
Europe Soja	<a href="https://www.donausoja.org/">https://www.donausoja.org/</a>
RTRS	<a href="http://www.responsiblesoy.org">http://www.responsiblesoy.org</a>
Sustainable Farming Assurance Programme - Non Conversion (SFAP)	<a href="https://www.sustainableassurance.com/">https://www.sustainableassurance.com/</a>

### 4.2.3. Purchasing of responsible compound feed

Responsible compound feed must be purchased from compound feed producers that are certified according to the following requirements:

Accepted certification scheme	• Appendix 2
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### 4.2.4. Purchasing of services

When a certified company outsources storage, transshipment, or transport services to external third parties, the certified company must ensure that the external independent third party complies with the relevant requirements with demonstrable evidence.



## Risk Management tools

That was a lot of information to digest and one might ask, what is the next step? Luckily we can offer support for the GMP+ Community when doing this. We provide support by means of various tools and guidances but as each company has a shared responsibility to feed safety, and therefor tailor-made solutions cannot be offered. However, we do help by explaining requirements and provide background information about the requirements.

We have developed various supporting materials for the GMP+ Community. These include various tools, ranging from Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) lists to webinars and events.

### **Supporting materials related to this document (Guidelines and FAQ's)**

We have made documents available which give guidance to the GMP+ requirements as laid down in the module GMP+ FSA and GMP+ FRA. These documents give examples, answers to frequently asked questions or background information.

#### **Where to find more about the GMP+ International Risk Management tools?**

##### **Fact sheets**

More information: [GMP+ Platform](#)

##### **Product list**

More information: [Product List](#)

##### **Risk Assessments**

More information: [GMP+ Platform](#)

##### **GMP+ Monitoring database**

More information: [GMP+ Monitoring database](#)

##### **Support documents**

More information: [Support documents](#)

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