

Annex 1: Table of changes

The Table of Changes following on the next pages, gives an exhaustive overview of the changes to the Donau Soja / Europe Soya Standard for 2025. The following colour code was used to give a better overview what is new:

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OLD (Version 2024)	NEW (Version 2025)	Valid from	Comments
R01a Agricultural Producer (Farmer) General Requirements for Donau Soja / Europe Soya Producers			
R01a Version 09 (DS) / 08 (ES), Point 3.2 and footnote	R01a Version 10 (DS) / 09 (ES), Point 3.2 and footnote		
The farmer shall hand over a list of all plots of land on which the soya beans were produced including the geographical location of these plots ¹ , described by means of latitude and longitude coordinates corresponding to at least one latitude and one longitude point and using at least 6 decimal digits. For plots of land of more than 4 hectares, the geolocation shall be provided using polygons with sufficient latitude and longitude points to describe the perimeter of each plot of land. ¹	The farmer shall hand over a list of all plots of land on which the soya beans were produced including the geographical location of these plots ¹ , described by means of latitude and longitude coordinates corresponding to at least one latitude and one longitude point and using at least 6 decimal digits. For plots of land of more than 4 hectares, the geolocation shall be provided using polygons with sufficient latitude and longitude points to describe the perimeter of each plot of land. ¹ Upon application, it is possible to recognize equivalent systems to document freedom from deforestation.	March 2025	Improved user-friendliness
¹ For micro and small farms within the EU, also the availability of field data on site will be accepted until 30 June 2025.	¹ For micro and small farms within the EU, also the availability of field data on site will be accepted until 29.06.2026 .	March 2025	Compliance with EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) – information
R01a Version 09 (DS) / 08 (ES), Point 5.1	R01a Version 10 (DS) / 09 (ES), Point 5.1		
<u>If the farmer is located in a production area of risk levels 0–2 (F-RL 0, F-RL 1 or F-RL 2):</u> The farmer shall either be individually certified or participate in a group certification as set out in paragraph 3 of the “Requirements for Group Certifications”. The farmer shall be inspected in accordance with the risk assessment (see Annex 04, paragraph 1).	<u>If the farmer is located in a production area of risk levels 0–2 (F-RL 0, F-RL 1 or F-RL 2):</u> The farmer shall either be individually certified or participate in a group certification as set out in paragraph 3 of the “Requirements for Group Certifications”. The farmer shall be inspected in accordance with the risk assessment (see Annex 04, paragraph 1). For farmers with F-RL 0 or 1, it is possible to recognize equivalent certification systems for inspection purposes upon application.	March 2025	Improved user-friendliness
R02 Agricultural Collector and Primary Collector			
R02 Version 10 (DS) / 07 (ES), footnote of Points 2.4, 3.2 and 4.2	R02 Version 11 (DS) / 08 (ES), footnote of Points 2.4, 3.2 and 4.2		
¹ For quantities from the 2024 harvest that originate from micro and small farms within the EU, the availability of field data on site will be accepted until June 30, 2025.	¹ For quantities from the 2025 harvest that originate from micro and small farms within the EU, the availability of field data on site will be accepted until 29.06.2026 .	March 2025	Compliance with EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) – information
R03 Soya Trader			

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R03 Version 09 (DS) / 06 (ES), Footnote of Points 2.4 and 2.5 ¹ For quantities from the 2024 harvest that originate from micro and small farms within the EU, the availability of field data on site will be accepted until June 30, 2025.	R03 Version 10 (DS) / 07 (ES), Footnote of Points 2.4 and 2.5 ¹ For quantities from the 2025 harvest that originate from micro and small farms within the EU, the availability of field data on site will be accepted until 29.06.2026.	March 2025	Compliance with EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) – information								
R04 Soya Bean Primary Processor											
R04 Version 13 (DS) / 08 (ES), footnote of Point 3.2 ¹ For quantities from the 2024 harvest that originate from micro and small farms within the EU, the availability of field data on site will be accepted until June 30, 2025.	R04 Version 14 (DS) / 09 (ES), footnote of Point 3.2 ¹ For quantities from the 2025 harvest that originate from micro and small farms within the EU, the availability of field data on site will be accepted until 29.06.2026.	March 2025	Compliance with EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) – information								
R04 Version 13 (DS) / 08 (ES), Point 10.2 -	R04 Version 14 (DS) / 09 (ES), Point 10.2 [Addition of 2 points] Point 2: Rapid GMO tests may be omitted for a farm in countries with risk levels (P-RS) 0-1, provided that the soybeans originate from countries with risk levels (P-RS) 0-1. Point 8.1: The inspection of the own-use primary processing operation should be carried out as part of the Donau Soja / Europe Soya inspection of the agricultural processor (A06a) at least every 3 years.	March 2025	Improved user-friendliness								
R06a Agricultural Processor											
R06a Version 02 (DS) / 03 (ES), Point 4.3	R06a Version 04 (DS) / 04 (ES), Point 4.3										
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R06b Food Processor through Marketer											
R06b Version 02 (DS) / 03 (ES), Point 6.1 The company shall conclude a Donau Soja / Europe Soya contract with Donau Soja Organisation on the requirements to be met.	R06b Version 04 (DS) / 04 (ES), Point 6.1 The company shall conclude a Donau Soja / Europe Soya logo usage (license) contract with Donau Soja Organisation on the requirements to be met.	March 2025	Technical Change - Improve clarity								
R08 Certification Body											
R08 Version 07 (DS) / 04 (ES), Point 4.2 The certification body shall accept lot / traceability certificate requests from contracted agricultural collectors, primary collectors, traders or primary processors, and create lot /	R08 Version 08 (DS) / 05 (ES), Point 4.2 The certification body shall accept requests for lot certificates (LOT) or certificates of traceability (COT) from contracted agricultural collectors, primary collectors, traders or primary	March 2025	Technical Change - Improve clarity								

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traceability certificates via the Donau Soja internet portal after a successful plausibility check.	processors, and create lot / traceability certificates via the Donau Soja internet portal after a successful plausibility check.		
R08 Version 07 (DS) / 04 (ES), Point 6.1	R08 Version 08 (DS) / 05 (ES), Point 6.1		
<p>The inspectors shall summarise the inspection results in inspection reports, which shall include, at the least, the following information about the company inspected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • current master data • risk categorisation; • non-compliance with the stated requirements (with a reference to the requirements' numerical code, the extent of non-compliance and explanatory notes on this information where applicable). 	<p>The inspectors shall summarise the inspection results in inspection reports, which shall include, at the least, the following information about the company inspected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • current master data including the address of the audited company; • Audited scopes (abbreviations according to selection in the applied checklist) • risk categorisation; • non-compliance with the stated requirements (with a reference to the requirements' numerical code, the extent of non-compliance and explanatory notes on this information where applicable). 	March 2025	Technical Change - Improve clarity
R08 Version 07 (DS) / 04 (ES), Point 11.1	R08 Version 08 (DS) / 05 (ES), Point 11.1		
<p>Minimum requirements for the information contained in a Donau Soja / Europe Soya certificate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • name and address of the company; • name, address and Donau Soja / Europe Soya code of the certification body; • activity of the operation according to the definitions in the respective Donau Soja / Europe Soya Requirements (agricultural soya bean collector, primary collector, soya trader, primary processor, compound feed producer, etc.); • certified products; • reference to the Donau Soja / Europe Soya Guidelines; • period of validity – certificates are valid for 1 or 2 years, depending on the risk-based inspection frequency (Annex 4); • date of inspection; • Donau Soja / Europe Soya logo. 	<p>Minimum requirements for the information contained in a Donau Soja / Europe Soya certificate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • name and address of the company; • name, address and Donau Soja / Europe Soya code of the certification body; • activity of the operation according to the definitions in the respective Donau Soja / Europe Soya Requirements (agricultural soya bean collector, primary collector, soya trader, primary processor, compound feed producer, etc.); • certified products; • reference to the Donau Soja / Europe Soya Guidelines; • period of validity – certificates are valid for 1 or 2 years, depending on the risk-based inspection frequency (Annex 4); • date of inspection; • Donau Soja / Europe Soya logo. 	March 2025	Technical Change - Improve clarity
Requirements for the traceability system			
Version 02, footnote of Point 1.2 and 4.2	Version 03, footnote of Point 1.2 and 4.2		
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Declaration of Self-Commitment – Farmers for the Cultivation of Donau Soja / Europe Soya soya			
Declarations of Self-Commitment, Version 06, footnote of Point 1	Declarations of Self-Commitment, Version 07, footnote of Point 1		
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Annex 04 Risk-based Donau Soja / Europe Soya Inspection System			
Annex 04 , Version 2, Point 1.3	Annex 04 Version 3, Point 1.3		
Inspection frequencies for individual farmers or farmer groups The risk assessment based on the risk categories of a-e shall determine the frequency of inspections to be conducted by a certification body recognised by Donau Soja Organisation. For farmers or farmer groups, inspections shall be conducted at least every three years. Farmers located in production areas with the highest GMO risk shall be individually certified and be subject to annual inspections.	Inspection frequencies for individual farmers or farmer groups The risk assessment based on the risk categories of a-e shall determine the frequency of inspections to be conducted by a certification body recognised by Donau Soja Organisation. For farmers or farmer groups, inspections shall be conducted at least every three years, except for farmers with an F-RL of 0 or 1 who participate in a certification system that can, upon application, be recognised as equivalent by Donau Soja / Europe Soya. Farmers located in production areas with the highest GMO risk shall be individually certified and be subject to annual inspections. Satellite image-supported verification of freedom from land conversion is conducted based on risk as part of the integrity programme.	March 2025	Improved user-friendliness
Annex 05 Quantity Equivalence System using “Approved by Europe Soya” soya beans			
Annex 05 , Version 05, Point 2.1	Annex 05 , Version 06, Point 2.1		
Isotopic analysis: One representative sample for every 5,000 tonnes of soya beans shall be taken. The samples shall be sent to the laboratory of Imprint Analytics GmbH for isotopic analysis for comparison with the Donau Soja / Europe Soya isotope database. The analyses results shall be available at the company’s premises. An application for reduced frequency of analyses may be made to Donau Soja Organisation provided that a system of quality assurance and traceability up to and including the farmer has been established. In this case, the following minimum frequency of analyses shall apply: 1 analysis for 5,000 tonnes, 5 analyses for 50,000 tonnes, 7 analyses for 100,000 tonnes, 10 analyses for > 100,000 tonnes per year;	[deleted]	March 2025	Redundancy

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Annex 05 , Version 05, Point 4.1	Annex 05 , Version 06, Point 4.1		
The timeframe for the quantity equivalence system using "Approved by Europe Soya" soya beans shall be limited to the period from the 2017 harvest to the 2025 harvest.	[deleted]	March 2025	