



**REQUIREMENTS 03, Version 03**

**Soya Trader**

Purpose	Specify the requirements to be met by Europe Soya soya traders.
Definition	Soya trader: company buying and selling soya beans or soya products and/or products containing or consisting of soya beans (e.g. compound feed)
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**1 Risk assessment**

1.1 The soya trader shall be assigned a “trader risk level” (= T-RL) based on the soya beans/products bought and sold by them.

- T-RL 0: soya trade with Europe Soya soya only;
- T-RL 1: soya trade with GM-free soya only, but GM-free soya beans/products other than Europe Soya soya are possible;
- T-RL 2: is not defined since the produce is not physically moved at this level (and the trade with crops other than soya is therefore not relevant);
- T-RL 3: soya trade with GM soya and GM soya bean meal is also possible.

**2 Purchasing and selling soya, lot certification**

2.1 The trader may only buy and sell Europe Soya soya beans/products if, firstly, these are referred to as “Europe Soya soya”, “Europe Soya” or “ES soya” on all invoices and delivery notes, and if, secondly, a lot certificate in the form of a signed (PDF) document is handed over to the trader for these soya beans/products. This lot certificate shall include the following information:

- code of the certification body;
- code of the lot certificate;
- quantity of the soya bean lot certified as Europe Soya;
- name and contact information of the buyer;
- harvest year;
- “Europe Soya” logo.

A lot certificate is needed only for trading in unprocessed soya beans, though not for trading in processed soya products or compound feed.



- 2.2 For selling Europe Soya soya, the trader shall send a lot certificate request to their certification body. Each request shall include the following information:
- name and contact information of the buyer;
  - quantity of the soya bean lot to be sold as Europe Soya;
  - harvest year;
  - codes of the lot certificates related to the quantity of Europe Soya soya to be sold.
- 2.3 The trader shall accept as response from their certification body the lot certificate in the form of a signed PDF document. The lot certificate shall include the following information:
- code of the certification body;
  - code of the lot certificate;
  - quantity of the soya bean lot certified as Europe Soya;
  - name and contact information of the buyer;
  - harvest year;
  - "Europe Soya" logo.
- 2.4 The trader shall document the following for all purchases and sales of soya beans/products:
- names, addresses and, where applicable, EU registration numbers (or equivalent specifications in non-EU countries) of all suppliers and customers;
  - lot, quantity, quality label "Europe Soya", and lot certificates;
  - delivery date, carrier and receiver.

### **3 Directly commissioned inspections**

- 3.1 The trader shall conclude an inspection contract with a certification body recognised by Donau Soja Organisation, commissioning this body to undertake chargeable inspections at the following frequency:
- traders of all risk levels: first inspection;
  - traders of risk levels 0 and 1 (T-RL 0 and 1): additional inspection every two years;
  - traders of risk level 3 (T-RL 3): additional annual inspection.

### **4 Supervisory inspections**

- 4.1 The trader shall accept supervisory inspections (risk-based sampling) by inspection bodies or inspectors commissioned by Donau Soja Organisation.

### **5 Traders also acting as agricultural collectors**

- 5.1 If the trader stores products produced with or from Europe Soya soya beans:  
The trader shall ensure that Europe Soya soya products are not mixed with soya products of other qualities.
- 5.2 If the trader stores Europe Soya soya beans:  
The trader needs to be certified as an agricultural collector in compliance with the Requirements R 02.



## 6 Special case

### **Transfer/imposition of responsibilities of an agricultural collector to/on a trader**

- 6.1 If a trader exclusively buys Europe Soya soya beans from an agricultural collector or a primary collector, they may assume specific, precisely defined obligations of this collector.
- 6.2 Particularly, the responsibility for buying produce in compliance with Europe Soya (with Declarations of Self-Commitment – Farmers (Soya Bean Producers) and plausibility check), checking of incoming produce (including retained samples), handling the quality management on site (paragraph 7 of R 02), as well as taking and storing retained samples in the outgoing produce department (paragraph 5.3 of R 02) may not be transferred.
- 6.3 If a trader exclusively uses one agricultural collector, this trader may commission external inspections (paragraph 8 of R 02) as well as the organisation and processing of lot certificates. In this case, the agricultural collector shall not be in possession of a certificate.

### **7 Direct purchases of traders, not acting as agricultural collectors, from soya bean farmers (producers)**

- 7.1 If a trader buys Europe Soya soya beans directly from a soya bean farmer (producer) located in a production area of risk level 0, 1 or 2 (F-RL 0, F-RL 1 or F-RL 2) (Romania excepted), without taking these beans into storage, this trader shall be considered a direct purchaser of Europe Soya soya beans.
- 7.2 In this case, the trader shall assume the obligations laid down in paragraph 2.1 (obtaining Declarations of Self-Commitment, list of delivering farmers), paragraph 2.3 (documentation of soya bean suppliers), paragraph 2.4 (plausibility check), paragraph 3.2 (harvest declarations) and paragraph 4 (acquisition of lot certificates) of the Requirements R 02. The obligations laid down in paragraph 2.5 (retained samples), paragraph 3.1 (correct storage) and paragraph 7 (quality management) of the Requirements R 02 shall remain with the primary agricultural collector.