



Info Sheet EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) & Donau Soja

Background EUDR

On 19 April 2023, the EU Parliament adopted the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR). The next step is for the EU Council to officially approve it.

After a transitional period of 18 months, the first distributors of the commodities soya, beef, palm oil, wood, cocoa, coffee and rubber, on the EU market, must **prove that the raw materials were produced legally (according to the laws of the country of cultivation) and deforestation-free with a cut-off date of 2020**. This applies to imports into the EU but also the production in EU countries. There are still many open questions regarding the implementation of the requirements, which are planned to be answered in expert groups in the coming months. The information required for the so-called due diligence statements is already laid down in the law text.

Donau Soja & the EUDR

For the cultivation of Donau Soja and Europe Soya certified soya, in the EU and in non-EU countries, the legality as well as deforestation- and conversion-free cultivation with a cut-off date of 2008 is proven.

Through segregated supply chains and our traceability certificates, this information can be passed along the value chain.

Thus, the use of Donau Soja / Europe Soya contributes to compliance with the upcoming legal requirements.

The following table shows the information Donau Soja (DS) and Europe Soya (ES) can provide required for the EUDR due diligence statement:

EUDR Requirement	DS / ES cultivation standard	DS / ES segregated supply chain
Trade Name + type	✓	✓
Quantity	✓	✓
Production / harvest date	✓	✓
Country / region of cultivation	✓	✓
Proof of low-risk origins for simplified due diligence	✓	✓
Verification for deforestation-free cultivation with 2020 cut-off date	✓ Deforestation- and conversion-free with 2008 cut-off date	✓ Deforestation- and conversion-free with 2008 cut-off date

EUDR Requirement	DS / ES cultivation standard	DS / ES segregated supply chain
Verification of compliance with national laws	✓	✓
Geolocation of fields	Possible if requested	Possible if requested
Exclusion of mixing with raw materials of other origin	n/a	✓

Relevant soya products in scope of the legislation

Annex I of the EUDR specifics following soya products:

Soya product	Custom code
Soya beans, whether or not broken	1201
Soya bean flour and meal	1208 10
Soya-bean oil and its fractions, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified	1207
Oilcake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of soya-bean oil	2304

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About Donau Soja

Donau Soja is a non-profit, independent and member-based organisation based in Vienna. The vision of Donau Soja is a sustainable, safe and European protein supply. To achieve this, Donau Soja supports, among other things, the sustainable production of soya in Europe and the development of regional value chains. The two labels Donau Soja / Europe Soya stand for non-GM soya products of controlled origin and quality from the Danube region and from Europe. Donau Soja unites over 300 members in 27 countries.

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