

Self-declaration

for producers of agricultural biomass (CAP-Conditionality)

Agricultural biomass producer: _____
 Street: _____
 Postal code, city: _____ Country: _____
 NUTS2-region* _____

on the sustainability of biomass pursuant to Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001.

Recipient (first gathering point): _____
 Group manager (if deviating): _____

The grown and delivered biomass of the harvest year _____, which is explained in more detail under item 1, fulfils the requirements of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 and if applicable the REDcert²-requirements, and is verified at national level within the frame of the CAP-Conditionality.

(Please check the items that apply.)

1	☐ The declaration applies to all biomass / crop types (e.g. rape, wheat) produced on my farm. or ☐ The declaration is submitted for the following types of crops (please list): _____ or ☐ The declaration is made for the following agricultural residues or harvest residues (please list): _____ Following soil management or monitoring practices to mitigate negative impact on soil quality and soil carbon stock by harvesting agricultural waste and residues are applied on the land: _____ Compliance with Article 29 (2) of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 is monitored at ☐ National level ☐ Level of economic operator ☐ Areas to be excluded, land consolidation (item 2): _____
2	☐ The biomass derived from arable land that was already arable land before 01.01.2008. Furthermore, it does not originate from areas worthy of protection (Art. 29 of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001) that were converted into arable land after 01.01.2008. If permissible land-use changes were made after 01.01.2008, the respective areas were either explicitly excluded under item 1 or the resulting emissions were taken into account in the context of our greenhouse gas calculations (default values cannot be used).
3	☐ The biomass originates from land within protected areas (only nature conservation areas - no water conservation areas) where farming is permitted. The requirements for protected areas have been complied with.
4	☐ As of payments from direct support schemes, I am subject to CAP-Conditionality, which imposes and monitors at least equivalent requirements as in the REDcert-EU or REDcert ² scheme on the production of agricultural biomass. The biomass therefore fulfils the requirements of the REDcert-EU scheme document "Scheme principles for the production of biomass, biofuels, bioliquids and biomass fuels" in its current version. ☐ I have participated in the EU direct support schemes during the past calendar year. The notification of participation in such scheme is available as proof of conformity with the requirements set. ☐ I will apply to receive payments from a direct support scheme this calendar year.
5	The documentation on the location of the biomass cultivation (verification by means of polygon or comparable proof of the area via field blocks, parcels or plots of land) ☐ is available to me and can be viewed at any time or ☐ is kept by the FGP (if applicable group manager) of the biomass supplied by me.
6	☐ For the calculation of the greenhouse gas accounting, the default value (Art. 31 of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001), the officially approved estimate or the NUTS2 value shall be used, where available and permissible.
7	☐ ^{REDcert²} Documentation can be provided that this biomass meets the REDcert ² scheme requirements. I fulfil the requirements of the REDcert ² document "Scheme principles for biomass production in the food industry" in its current version.

Note: With this declaration, the agricultural producer acknowledges that auditors of the accredited certification bodies may verify whether the relevant requirements stipulated in Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 have been satisfied. It should be noted that the auditors of the certification bodies may be accompanied by a competent authority who monitor their activities. In addition, REDcert employees as well as auditors recognised by REDcert must be granted the right to conduct a special audit or a witness audit. Furthermore, the agricultural producer acknowledges that his name and address will be registered in the mandatory Union database (UDB) for the purpose of traceability of feedstocks.

Location, _____ date _____

Signature _____

*NUTS2-regional designation if known, to be filled out by the first gathering point if applicable