

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 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 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	<input type="checkbox"/> The declaration applies to all biomass / crop types (e.g. rape, wheat) produced on my farm. or <input type="checkbox"/> The declaration is submitted for the following types of crops (please list): _____ or <input type="checkbox"/> 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 Directive (EU) 2018/2001 is monitored at <input type="checkbox"/> National level <input type="checkbox"/> Level of economic operator
2	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 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	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	<input type="checkbox"/> 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. <input type="checkbox"/> 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. <input type="checkbox"/> 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) <input type="checkbox"/> is available to me and can be viewed at any time or <input type="checkbox"/> is kept by the FGP (if applicable group manager) of the biomass supplied by me.
6	<input type="checkbox"/> For the calculation of the greenhouse gas accounting, the default value (Art. 29/31 of Directive (EU) 2018/2001), the officially approved estimate or the NUTS2 value shall be used, where available and permissible.
7	<input type="checkbox"/> ^{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 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