

## Self-declaration for cross-compliance farms

For the farm \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code, city \_\_\_\_\_ NUTS II region\* \_\_\_\_\_

for sustainable biomass in accordance with Directive 2009/28/EC or the German Biofuels Sustainability Ordinance (Biotkraft-NachV) and the German Biomass Electricity Sustainability Ordinance (BioSt-NachV) as well as the REDcert<sup>2</sup> requirements

Recipient: \_\_\_\_\_

The biomass grown and supplied by me and described in more detail under item 1 which was harvested in the year \_\_\_\_\_ fulfils the requirements of Directive 2009/28/EC (or the Sustainability Ordinances) as well as the REDcert<sup>2</sup> requirements if applicable; the respective verification is available. (Please check the items that apply)

1.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>or</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The declaration applies to all crops (e.g. rapeseed, wheat) produced on my farm.</p> <p>The declaration is submitted for the following types of crops: _____          _____ (please list!)</p> <p>Areas to be excluded, plot designation (item 2): _____          _____</p>
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The biomass originates from cropland that was already classified as such prior to 01.01.2008. It also does not originate from protected areas (Art. 17 of Directive 2009/28/EC or Art. 4-6 of the Sustainability Ordinances) that were converted to cropland 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 included in our own greenhouse gas calculations (default values can then not be used).</p>
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The biomass originates from land within protected areas (nature conservation areas only – not water conservation areas) where farming is permitted. The requirements for protected areas have been complied with.</p>
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>I am subject to cross compliance as a recipient of payments from direct support schemes. The biomass thus satisfies the requirements for agricultural management (Article 17 of Directive 2009/28/EC and Articles 7 and 51 of the Sustainability Ordinances).</p> <p>I participated in EU direct support schemes during the last calendar year. The notification of participation in such schemes is available.</p> <p>I will apply to receive payments from a direct support scheme this calendar year.</p>
5.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>or</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The documentation on the location of biomass cultivation (verification by means of polygon pursuant to Article 26 of the Sustainability Ordinances or similar verification of the area via field blocks, plots or parcels)</p> <p>is available with me and can be viewed at any time.</p> <p>is kept by the first gathering point of the biomass I supply.</p>
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The default value (Art. 17/19 of Directive 2009/28/EC or Art. 8 and Annex 2 of the Sustainability Ordinances) - if there is one -, the officially approved estimate or the NUTS2 value should be used to calculate the greenhouse gas balance.</p>
7.	<b>REDcert<sup>2</sup></b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>For sustainably farmed biomass. Documentation can be provided that this biomass meets the REDcert<sup>2</sup> system requirements.</p>

**Note:** With this declaration, the farmer acknowledges that inspectors of accredited certification bodies may verify whether the relevant requirements stipulated in Directive 2009/28/EC or the Sustainability Ordinances and the REDcert<sup>2</sup> requirements have been satisfied. It must be kept in mind that the inspectors of the certification bodies may be accompanied by BLE inspectors who monitor their activities.

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Place, date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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