

Requirements for accepted quality schemes

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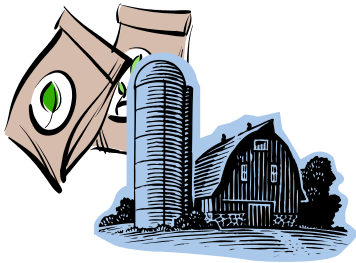
Criteria for accepted quality schemes



Quality schemes



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Principles

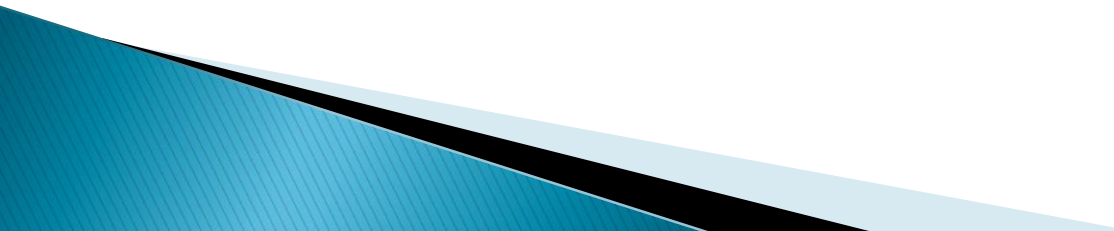
- ▶ Businesses are responsible for compliance with relevant legislation. The NVWA supervises this compliance and intervenes where required.
- ▶ It is completely up to the business itself as to whether it makes use of certificates and/or quality marks. The NVWA is not involved in this.

General

- ▶ The independence of the quality system's manager (hereinafter: scheme owner) and the executing CBs, is guaranteed.
- ▶ The scheme must meet the ISO standards as relevant for that scheme
- ▶ The NVWA takes Global Food Safety Initiative (GFSI)-accepted standards as a basis for global food safety systems.
- ▶ Third party auditing is the preferred option (first level schemes). For second party audited schemes, specific criteria apply (second level schemes).

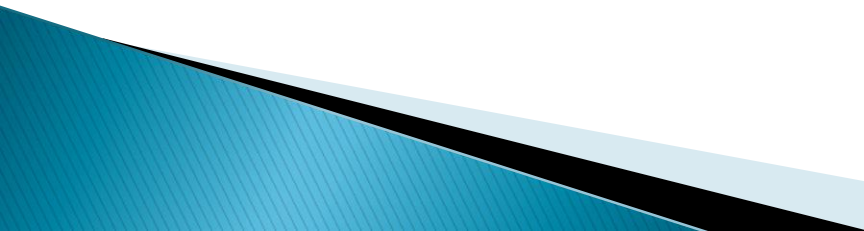
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Scope

- ▶ Framework for Food Safety: Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 and Regulation (EC) No 854/2004 of the European Parliament and the Council of 29 April 2004 regarding food hygiene
 - ▶ HACCP
 - ▶ Product integrity (to avoid misleading)
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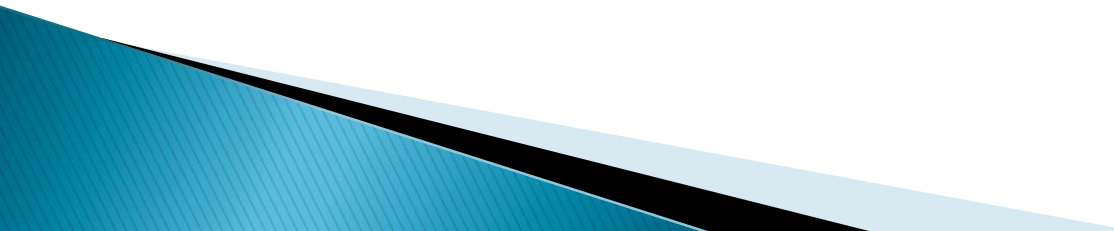
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Implementation

- ▶ Safeguard compliance to the content of the scheme
 - Audits, announced and unannounced
 - Sanctions for non-compliance
 - ▶ Quality and integrity of the certifying bodies
 - Accreditation
 - Auditor training & competence
 - Independency (segregation of duties)
 - Administration and transparency
 - Integrity programme
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Performance checks & information exchange

- ▶ NVWA can/will check performance of the schemes, certifying bodies, and companies
 - ▶ Transparency on audit results (masterdata) towards NVWA
 - ▶ Notification of major deviations (legal incompliance)
 - ▶ List of certified companies on the website of the scheme owner
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Questions???