

RSPO

Supply Chain Certification Standard



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The Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) is a global, multi-stakeholder initiative with the vision to transform markets to make sustainable palm oil the norm. A principal objective is to promote the growth and use of sustainable palm oil through cooperation within the supply chain. To achieve this, the RSPO developed a set of environmental and social criteria for the production of Certified Sustainable Palm Oil (CSPO) to minimize negative impacts from the palm oil plantations and their supply chains.

RSPO standards for oil palm plantations and their supply chains provide assurance that the standard of palm oil production is environmentally and socially sustainable. Producers may claim that they produce, use and/or sell sustainable palm oil if they are RSPO-certified. BSI is globally accredited to the RSPO scheme by the Accreditation Services International (ASI) for Principles and Criteria (P&C) and Supply Chain Certification (SCC) Standard. The RSPO is a full member of the ISEAL Alliance, the global membership organization for sustainability standards.

The *RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard* (RSPO SCC Standard) is a series of auditable requirements used by organizations in the palm oil supply chain to demonstrate systems for control of RSPO certified palm oil products. This standard provides supply chain integrity back to the palm oil producers by preventing the overselling and mixing palm oil with conventional (or non-sustainable) oil palm products. To ensure the credibility of this sustainability claim, all organizations that take legal ownership and physically handle RSPO certified sustainable oil palm products need RSPO supply chain certification from oil palm mills and refineries, through to manufacturers of ingredients, intermediate and end products. There is no need for certification after the end product manufacturer. Certification to the RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard allows organizations to claim the use of RSPO certified sustainable oil palm products in accordance with RSPO Rules on Market Communications and Claims.

Traders and distributors who participate in the RSPO certified palm oil supply chain are also required to obtain a licence through the RSPO to maintain supply chain traceability, however there is no requirement for certification to the RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard. In the context of the RSPO, distributors and wholesalers take legal ownership, store and sell products to their customer bases, but do not unpack, repack or relabel those products at any stage; a trader buys and sells oil palm products, derivatives and/or futures without physically handling or storing physical material. Further information on Traders and Distributors Licences can be sourced from the [RSPO website](#).

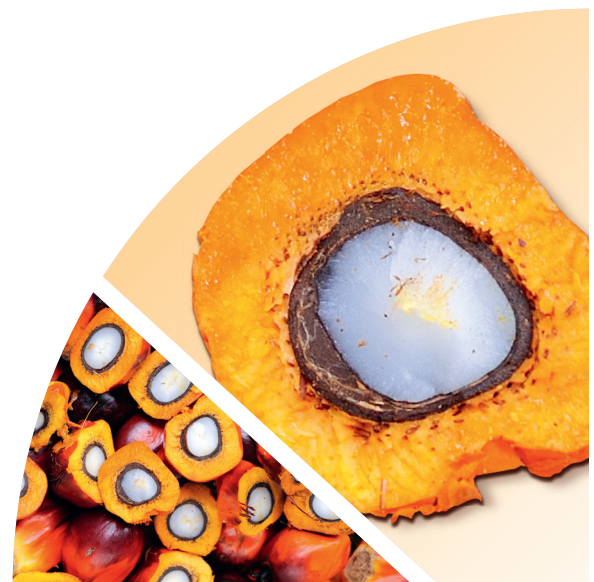
Retailers are not required to have RSPO certification however many have self-imposed requirements to source products from RSPO certified organizations, which has driven demand for RSPO Supply Chain certification in the food, beverage and consumer products industries. Voluntary additions to the RSPO P&C and RSO SCCS have also been defined to recognize best practice.

RSPO-RED details RSPO requirements for compliance with the EU Renewable Energy Directive, used in conjunction with RSPO Principles & Criteria and the RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard. Further information is available from the [RSPO website](#).

RSPO NEXT recognizes organizations that have met and exceeded the current requirements of the RSPO Principles and Criteria at an organization-wide level, including investments, joint ventures and in the organization's wider supply base in the following categories: No Deforestation, No Fire, No Planting on Peat, Reduction of GHGs, Respect for Human Rights and Transparency.

Further information is available from the [RSPO website](#).

Whether you seek a programme to guide your organization toward compliance or you seek recognition for your commitment to sustainable sourcing, we can provide the certification to meet your unique needs.

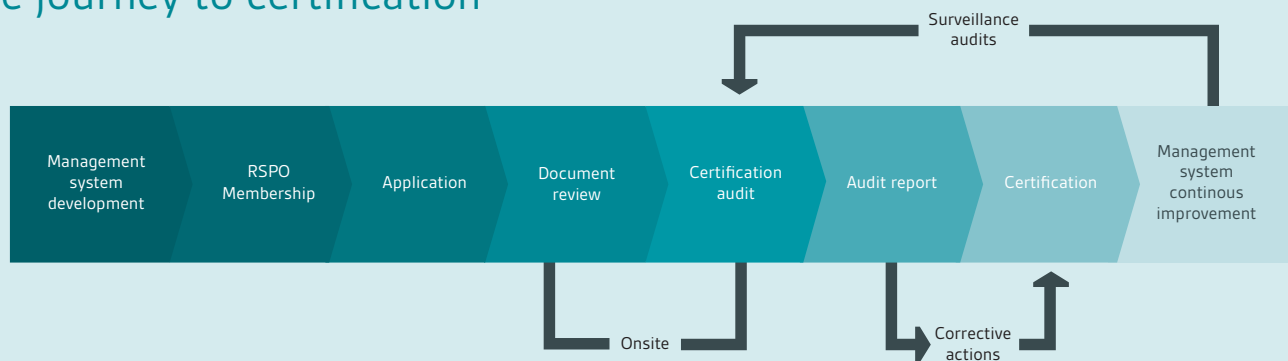


Benefits of adoption

Certification to the RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard (Processors, Ingredient Suppliers and Manufacturers) demonstrates your commitment that the standard of production is sustainable with the added benefits of:

- Recognition to a unique sustainability and supply chain integrity program, fulfilling the obligation for all actors in palm oil production and use to have RSPO certification appropriate to their activities.
- Environmentally and socially responsible buyers willing to pay a premium for responsibly produced products.
- Allowing organizations downstream of your operations to also seek RSPO Supply Chain Certification to pass on the sustainability claim.
- Credibility through the integrity of the RSPO sustainability claim, enabling consumers make informed product choices in an environmentally conscious market.
- Consistent application across raw material supply (plantations) and the supply chain with all actors in the RSPO supply chain held accountable to the same standard.
- Use of the RSPO Trademark as described in the RSPO Rules on Market Communications and Claims Documents for business to business and business to consumer communications.

The journey to certification



Certification requirements

The RSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard requires that the general chain of custody requirements for the RSPO supply chain are documented and include:

- Applicability and documented procedures
- Processes for purchasing and goods in, outsourcing activities, sales and goods out and registration of transactions
- Training
- Record keeping
- Conversion factors
- Claims
- Complaints
- Management review

There are four certifiable RSPO approved supply chain models that may be applied to your business, with different requirements for each model. These models include:

- **Identity preserved** that applies to RSPO certified oil palm product delivered to the end user is uniquely identifiable to a single RSPO certified mill and its certified supply base.

- **Segregated** that applies to RSPO certified oil palm products delivered to the end user only from RSPO certified sources.
- **Mass balance** that allows certified claims to be transferred from one oil palm product to another either through physical blending or administratively under strictly controlled circumstances. This is the most common supply model used.
- **Book and claim** supports the production of RSPO-certified oil palm products through the sale of RSPO credits.

Manufacturers with outsourced storage or transport arrangements will also need to include these operations and processes in their RSPO supply chain management system to ensure that the integrity of the supply chain is maintained for each step of each process through to the end product manufacturer.

Requirements for this scheme can be downloaded from the **RSPO website**.

Why BSI?

BSI believes the world should be supplied with food that has been produced to an industry recognized standard. We offer a broad range of certifications and risk management services to help all organizations in the food supply chain achieve compliance and industry best practice to grow their business.

We're a leading food safety and certification provider with extensive auditing capacity and the capability to conduct integrated audits for a wide range of food safety standards across the entire food and beverage supply chain – including GFSI-recognized standards.

Our service solution for food safety includes certification, training, assessment and supply chain software, providing you and your customers assurance and enabling you to manage risk more effectively.

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