# **ENplus**

# Quality Certification Scheme For Wood Pellets



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Part 6: Schedule of fees

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The European Pellet Council (EPC) is responsible for the implementation of EN*plus* and can grant *Certified Companies* the right to use the ENplus certification seals for all the countries that are not covered by any national pellet association. A list of these national pellet associations, either managing EN*plus* (National Licenser) or supporting the development of EN*plus* (National supporting association) in their respective countries, are listed on www.enplus-pellets.eu

### **PREFACE**

This document is part of the EN*plus Handbook*, version 3 defining the rules for the EN*plus* Quality Certification Scheme for Wood Pellets. The different parts of the handbook are:

- Part 1: General
- Part 2: Certification Procedure
- Part 3: Pellet Quality Requirements
- Part 4: Sustainability Requirements
- Part 5: Scheme Organisation
- Part 6: Schedule of Fees

The current versions of the documents are published on the international website of EN*plus* [www.enplus-pellets.eu].

General information about the scheme as well as a definition of terms can be found in Part 1 – General.

This document, part 6 (version 3.0) of the EN*plus* Handbook, contains the schedule of fees for all ENplus certified/listed organisations:

- Certified Producers
- Certified Traders
- Certified Service Providers
- Listed Inspection bodies
- Listed Testing bodies

Certified companies have to follow the rules of the Handbook issued by the Competent Management.

Terms written in italic characters are defined in the section "Definitions of terms" in part 1.

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# **COMING INTO FORCE**

The regulations defined in part 6 of the EN*plus Handbook*, version 3.0 will come into force with its publication on  $1^{st}$  of August 2015.

All the organisations that are already certified/listed at this point of time may continue to be active within the EN*plus* Certification Scheme under the conditions as defined in version 2.0 of the EN*plus Handbook* until 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2016.

### **SCHEDULE OF FEES**

#### 1 PRODUCER FEES

The license fee is 0,15 € per tonne of all the pellets produced (bulk pellets and bagged pellets) that are complying with the requirements of ENplus A1, ENplus A2 and ENplus B quality classes regardless whether they are sold as ENplus pellets or not. Pellets sold to power plants or for animal bedding are excluded from license payments under this scheme. The excluded amount is subject to approval by the *International Licenser*.

The fee of the first year of certification is based on the projected production figures for the rest of the year. The fees for the following years will be based on the projected production figures of the current year plus an adjustment (could be a positive or a negative value) made of the difference between the projected production figures and the actual production of the previous year.

The producer has to bear the additional costs related to the annual inspection and the overall certification process. These costs are directly charged by the concerned *Certification, Inspection and Testing Bodies*.

The conditions under which a producer has to be certified, and hence has to pay fees, are defined in the illustration chart below.

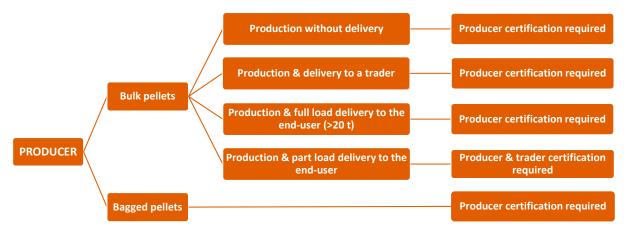


Figure 1: Overview about the need of certification for producers with different business activities

#### 2 TRADER FEES

The license fee is 0,15 € per tonne of all the pellets traded (bulk pellets and bagged pellets) that are complying with the requirements of ENplus A1, ENplus A2 and ENplus B quality classes regardless whether they are sold as ENplus pellets or not. Pellets sold to power plants or for animal bedding are excluded from license payments under this scheme. The excluded amount is subject to approval by the *International Licenser*.

The fee of the first year of certification is based on the projected trading figures for the rest of the year. The fees for the following years will be based on the projected trade figure of the current year plus an adjustment (could be a positive or a negative value) made of the difference between the projected production figures and the actual production of the previous year.

The trader has to bear the additional costs related to the annual inspection and the overall certification process. These costs are directly charged by the concerned *Certification Body*.

The conditions under which a trader has to be certified, and hence has to pay fees, are defined in the illustration chart below.

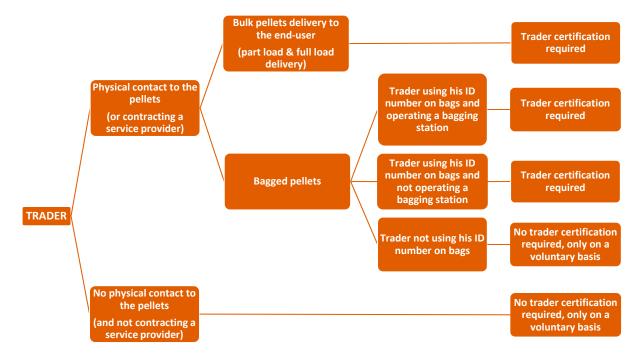


Figure 2: Overview about the need of certification for traders with different business activities

#### 3 SERVICE PROVIDER FEES

In order to get listed, a Service Provider will be charged with an annual fee of 1.000 €.

The *Service Provider* has to bear the additional costs related to the annual inspection and the overall certification process. These costs are directly charged by the concerned *Certification Body*.

The conditions under which a *Service Provider* has to be certified, and hence has to pay fees, are defined in the illustration chart below.

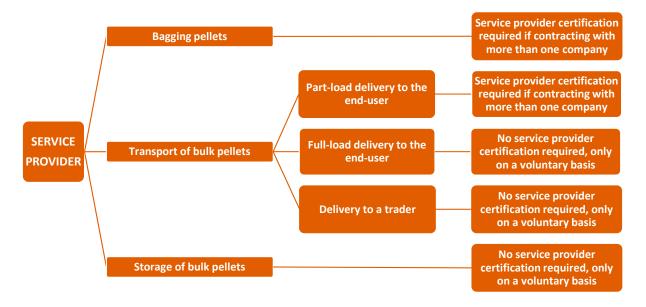


Figure 3: Overview about the need of certification for Service Providers with different business activities

### **4 INSPECTION BODIES**

In order to get listed, an *Inspection Body* will be charged with a basic annual fee of 800 € plus 200 € for each listed inspector.

The listing of the *Inspection Bodies* is handled by the *International Licenser*.

#### **5 TESTING BODIES**

In order to get listed, a *Testing Body* will be charged with an annual fee of 500 €.

The listing of the *Testing Bodies* is handled by the *International Licenser*.