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V1.23 changes 1 May 2023

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Section 1.2 SCOPE OF THE PROGRAMME - Pg 3	The new 12 Key agricultural Compass crops update	To align on new Compass Strategy issued in 2021
Section 3.8 a./ b. CERTIFICATE VALIDITY - Pg 6 7 GLOSSARY OF TERMS- Pg 14	Force Majeure amended text	To mitigate risks of suppliers' noncompliance and to ensure or improve UL position where suppliers fall out of certification status due to force majeure affecting frequency of audits or timeliness of audits (i.d. during Pandemic).
Section 8 ANNEX IA - — STANDARDS CONSIDERED FULLY COMPLIANT Section 11. Pg 16/ Section 18. Pg 17	- FSA 2.0 to new version FSA 3.0 - Wild Harvest moved to SAI Wild Harvest Sustainability Assessment	New Version
Footer pg 19 - 20	New FSA Scheme Member Checker Database link	New Link
Section 13. pg 16 SAN standard is the basis for Rainforest	Valid from Jul 01, 2022	New Validity

V1.22 changes 1 September 2021

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Sections 3.9 b and Table 1 on pages 6 and 8 respectively	Detail added to the timing required for full audits that are required instead of surveillance audits	To add clarity for suppliers and consultants

V1.21 changes 1 June 2021

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Sections 3.4 b ii and 3.9 e on pages 5 and 7	Rounding rules added for sample calculations for audits	To add clarity on the number of audits that can be expected

V1.20 changes 1 January 2021

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Annex 1A, page 15	ISCC Version number updated	Benchmark of new version

V1.19 changes 1 December 2020

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Section 3.10 on page 7	Section updated to clarify that metrics data only needs to be provided for the number of farmers in the sample.	To improve clarity
Table 1 on Page 7	Table updated to clarify that metrics data only needs to be provided for the number of farmers in the sample and that it only needs to be provided before the date of the audit	To improve clarity on metrics data provision and to reflect slight changes made in the process

V1.18 changes 1 August 2020

Title page	Version number changed to 1.18 and month updated to August 2020	Routine update
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Section 6.5.1 on page 11	To put in bold that impact programmes cannot be used to close a gap in mandatory requirements, unless the topic is endemic and intractable e.g. child labour	To improve clarity
Section 6.5.3. a on page 11	"intervention and outcome" replaced with "outcome and impact"	correcting an error in terminology
Section 6.5.3.d 6.5.4.b. (building on 6.5.3.d).on pages 11/12	Text added to allow for the supplier to choose reporting cycle timing for impact reports)	Response to feedback from suppliers that they needed more flexibility in timing of annual report submission

V1.17 changes 1 July 2020

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Section 3.9, page 7.	Various text and ordering changes to Surveillance audit section.	To clarify the eligibility criteria for surveillance audits
Annex 1B, page 17.	Dairy Australia added	Benchmark

V1.16 changes 1 May 2020

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Annex 1A	Fairwild Standard added	Benchmark

V1.15 changes 1 January 2020

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Sections 5.1, page 9; 6.5.2 and 6.5.3, page 11 and 11.1.3, page 19.	Email address updated	Correction
Section 6.5.1, page 11	Sentence *"Impact programmes cannot be used to fill gaps in areas covered by mandatory requirements e.g. child labour."* Replaced with "*Impact programmes cannot be used to fill gaps in areas covered by mandatory requirements* unless there is a well-recognised issue that is endemic in a country or industry, e.g. child labour in cocoa in West Africa. In such cases, Unilever will consider accepting an impact program to address the point, providing this includes a clear approach to address the issue and a credible KPI for reaching the target."	To reflect the fact that some issues are endemic in a country or industry and it is unrealistic to expect the issue to be fixed quickly without a programme to do so.
Section 6.5.5, page 11	Update made to statement about readiness of the Impact Programme Manual.	Update due to a document being completed.

V1.14 changes 1 November 2019

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Section 3.6.1, page 6	Details added on options available to suppliers if they are found to be <100% Suso.	Clarification of rules
Section 3.6.2, page 6	Bullet removed	Improved readability
Annex 1a	Version number of RTRS Standard updated to version 3.1 (2017)	Update to benchmark carried out

Annex 2	Brazilian Organic Regulation added	Benchmark

V 1.12 changes 1 September 2019

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Annex 1b	Dairy Farmers of America Programme added	Benchmark

V 1.11 changes 1 August 2019

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Annex 1a	UEBT/Utz herbal tea standard and IP-Suisse added	Benchmark
Annex 1b	Dairy Farmers of Canada System (including impact programme) added	Benchmark
Annex 2	Removal of IP-Suisse	Benchmark resulted in standard moving to Annex 1a

V 1.10 changes 1 July 2019

Title page	Version number changed to 1.10 and month updated to July 2019	Routine update
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Annex 1a	Proterra version number changed to 4.0	Benchmarked of new version
Annex 1a	RSPO version date changed to 2018	Benchmarked of new version
Annex 2	Addition of CSQA DTP 122	Benchmark

V 1.9 changes 1 June 2019

Title page	Version number changed to 1.9 and month updated to June 2019	Routine update
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Section 3.4, page 5	Number in b ii) changed from 900 to 100	Review following pilot-at-scale. Number changed to reflect change from self-assessment to audit and to be in line with other certification schemes
Section 3.9, page 7	Clarifications given for changes in original farm population and impact on when surveillance audit is appropriate	Extension of rule to give further clarity
Glossary, page 12	Definition of 'substantial change' added	To help with understanding of changes to farmer population
Annex 2, pages 16-17	Clarification given for those standards which have been benchmarked by SAI Platform	To point suppliers and Peterson consultants to standards which they may be able to use via the FSA-equivalence route

V 1.8 changes 1 February 2019

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Section 3.4, page 5	Minimum number for sample of farms changed from 30 to 10	Review following pilot-at-scale. Number changed to reflect change from self-assessment to audit and to be in line with other certification schemes
Section 3.9, page 7	Extended corrective action period for mandatory requirements from 28 days to 42 days	Review following pilot-at-scale. Time change allows certain corrective actions to be made more feasibly.
Section 3.9, page 7	Clarifications given for other aspects of the surveillance audits for different scenarios	Following discussions with auditors, need for tightening up on rules regarding surveillance audits
Table 1, page 7, Step 5	28 days changed to 42 days	To make table consistent with changes to Section 3.9
Table 1, page 7, Step 6	28 reduced to 10 days	Certifier review period shorted as agreed with Control Union
Section 11.1.2, page 18	Corrective action period for mandatory requirements extended to 42 days and period of certifier review reduced to 10 days	Consistency with other sections.

V 1.7 changes 1 October 2018

Title page	Version number changed to 1.7 and month updated to September	Routine update
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Table 1, page 7, Step 9	Slight text change to link both surveillance audits to certification date	To make the process consistent for both surveillance audit years
Table 1, page 7, Step 10	Slight text change to link the second full audit to certification date	To make the process for re-audit consistent with surveillance audits

V 1.6 changes 1 September 2018

Title page	Version number changed to 1.6 and month updated to September	Routine update
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Section 1.4, page 3	Reference to "Guidance for Auditors" removed	Decision not to produce this document
Section 6.5, page 11	Email address given for access to impact programme documentation	Completion of impact programme documentation

V 1.5 changes 1 July 2018

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Table 2. p. 10	'on page 5' added after 'in section 3'	Clarification for ease of reference

V 1.4 changes 1 June 2018

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| Annex Ia, page 14 | Mabagrown removed as should be in Annex IV – supplier own systems | Mistake made adding to Annex Ia |
| Annex II, p. 17 | IP-Suisse added | Result of benchmarking |

V 1.3 changes 1 May 2018

Title page	Version number changed to 1.3 and month updated to May	Routine update
Section 4, page 8	Clarifications made to the Supply Chain options terminology	To align with terminology in the GLA tool
Footer	Date and version number updated	Routine update
Section 6, page 11	Clarifications on how many farmers need to be included in impact programmes in the mass balance scenario	To give more detail on impact programme requirements
Annex 1a, page 14	Addition of mabagrown cultivated crops Standard	Result of benchmarking

V 1.2 changes 1 April 2018

Title page	Version number changed to 1.2 and month updated to April	Routine update
Contents, page 2	Changes to numbering	To align with changes made in the text
Introduction, page 3	Addition of list of key crops for Suso 2.0	Desire to communicate Unilever's change in focus in Suso 2.0
Section 3.6.1, page 6	Addition of 'in the sample' to the % Suso calculation	Clarification to the methodology for calculation
Section 3.6.2, page 6	Addition of 'or sample (if relevant)' to the % Suso calculation	Clarification to the methodology for considering non-compliance
Section 6, page 10	Addition of Chapter on Supplier-own systems	Needed to communicate change in strategy on supplier-own systems
Annex II, page 15	Addition of 2BSVS	Result of benchmarking

V 1.1 changes 1 March 2018

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Title page	SAC 2017 Added to Title	Clarification recommended by Comms team
Annex IA, page 12	Change to name of RTRS	Error brought to our attention by Standard Holder
Annex IA, page 12	Updates to SAI FSA and Proterra logos	Updates brought to our attention by Standard holder
Annex IB, page 13	Addition of Susfarms and Smartcane to the 'Industry-level' list of Standards	Result of benchmarking