

GlobalGAP Fruit and Vegetables



Private Standard managed by the Globalgap Secretariaat which establishes norms for Good Agricultural Practices. GlobalGAP is a rule which specifies innocuousness requisites for farming production and is based on the application of Good Agricultural Practice, HACCP and traceability. Its procedures are connected with hygiene and reduction of possible sources of contamination throughout the production process, harvesting and the packing of production.

In GlobalGAP the main European retailers and producers are represented, being the standard demanded when trading fruits and vegetables in Europe and with an increasing presence around the globe. Globalgap has its meaning for all farms wanting to show excellence quality in their processes and products, especially pointing in food safety, environment and worker welfare.

The control points and compliance criteria to be certified in this protocol are divided into three modules: AF – the basic module for all kinds of farming and fishing operations; CB – the basic module for crops, and FV, the specific module for Fruit and vegetables.

In the GlobalGAP IFA Fruit and Vegetable protocol, there are several certification options:

- Option 1 —Individual Operations and Multiple Operations with no SGC. This section concerns the applicants who are individual legal bodies —individual producers or companies – with individual or multiple farming or fishing operations which are not independent legal bodies and have central management.
- Option 2 and Option 1 Multiple Operation with SGC. This option concerns groups and individuals with Multiple Operations who have implemented an SGC.
- Option 3 certification of Quality Programmes homologated to Options 1.
- Option 4 certification of Quality Programmes homologated to Options 2.

When is it needed?

GlobalGAP Fruit and Vegetable certification is a voluntary certification meant for the companies which need to prove their ability to produce harmless food, using for this purpose production technologies which reduce the impact on the environment as far as possible and protect the workers' health.

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Globalgap Certification allows you to give transparency and guarantee to your production process, decreasing main food hazards and obtaining a bigger confidence from your clients as international recognition.

What to do next?

The certification process for GlobalGAP begins by compiling the basic data to be able to draw up an estimate (identification of the producer, crop, hectares, etc.). Should the estimate be accepted, Kiwa will proceed to register the producer in the GlobalGAP database, providing it with its identification number (GGN) in the event of not already having one. Kiwa will plan the inspection/audit on site taking into account the certification option chosen by the producer.

The inspection/audit will be performed by a competent inspector/auditor registered in the GlobalGAP database. If the auditing process is satisfactorily concluded the company will obtain the certificate, and if not, the auditor will submit Non-conformities and the producer will have to present its Corrective Action in at most 28 days in the case of renewal audits, or 3 months in the case of initial audits.

To obtain certification 100 % of Major must and at least 95 % of Minor must have to be fulfilled

Kiwa España is a great specialist with this standard; our auditors' team years experience will add a vision in the audit that will allow you the proper management of the norm. Our certificate adds international and client recognition.

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