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1 Introduction

1.1 General

The GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance scheme (GMP+ FSA) has been developed since 1992. It was managed from 1992 up until 2009 by the Product Board Animal Feed, The Hague, The Netherlands. Since 2010, this scheme is managed by GMP+ International.

It is a scheme for assuring feed safety in all the links in the feed chain. It is also an international scheme, applicable worldwide.

The establishment and development of the scheme was primarily the result of demand from the subsequent links in the animal production chain for better control of feed safety. Another contributory factor was the damage caused by more and less serious contamination incidents.

In the initial phase the demand arose for better differentiation in an increasingly saturated European sales market for animal products. Since 1999, feed & food safety has been a top issue internationally both politically and commercially, because of serious incidents in the feed sector. Because of this, demonstrable assurance of feed safety has become a sales prerequisite.

The basic principle of the GMP+ FSA scheme is that the feed chain is part of the food production chain. Proper assurance of feed safety worldwide is a high priority. Companies must live up to their responsibilities and respond properly and convincingly to the needs of animal production. The GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance scheme is an aid to realise this.

1.2 Structure of the GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance scheme

The documents within the GMP+ FSA scheme are subdivided into a number of series. A description follows of these:

<p>A General (framework) documents</p>	<p>These documents contain the requirements for participation in the certification scheme for companies and certification bodies (framework regulation, the use of logo's, etc.). This series also includes a general list of definitions and abbreviations.</p>
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B
Normative documents.

These documents contain the international standards and additional country notes for use by companies with respect to the various feed products and production phases including cultivation and industrial production, treatment and processing, collection, trade, means of transport, storage and transshipment.

C
Certification requirements

These documents contain the Rules of Certification including those for the approval of certification bodies and auditors, the frequency of audits, minimum audit time, assessment criteria, checklists, etc. There is also an explanation of how the supervision by certification bodies is implemented and of how GMP+ International supervises the certification process..

Document	Code	Name
⇒ Standard	GMP+ Cxx	e.g. GMP+ C4 <i>Tariffs</i>

D
Interpretations and accompanying texts

In addition to the above-mentioned normative documents, there are also supporting documents in the D series including a list of frequently-asked questions, manuals and guidelines with additional information.

All these documents are available through the website of GMP+ International (www.gmpplus.org).

The document in the present case is referred to as standard GMP+ C4 *Tariffs* and is part of the GMP+ FSA scheme.

2 Purpose of the document

This document contains the tariffs for the financial payments in 2010 which the certification bodies and the certified companies are due to pay to GMP+ International. This applies to the certification bodies which are approved for the issuing of GMP+ certificates to companies on the basis of the GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance scheme (GMP+ FSA scheme). It also applies to companies certified on the basis of the GMP+ FSA scheme.

The obligation to pay these financial contributions is laid down, on the one hand, in the approval contracts between the certification bodies and GMP+ International and, on the other hand, in the contracts between the certification bodies and the GMP+ certified companies.

Tariffs are also included for other services and products or for the establishment of mutual recognition between another scheme and the GMP+ FSA scheme.

The basic principle of the tariffs is that the income should cover all the costs incurred in the administration of the GMP+ FSA scheme and the associated support activities.

All amounts are exclusive of VAT. By GMP+ International is meant: GMP+ International B.V.

Changes compared to 2009

The basic principle with respect to these rates in 2010 is for them not to be increased compared to 2009. A number of changes have, however, been made, namely the following:

The reference date for the basic payments was previously 31 December of the year in question. The reference date for both the basic payment by the certification bodies (section 3.1.1) and for the companies (section 3.2.7) has been set such that the collection of payments is spread more across the year so that a more balanced incoming cash flow is achieved. This is necessary from the point of view of the need for liquidity.

A tariff has been included for the certification bodies for the making of copies of examinations in order to cover the administrative costs (section 3.2.5).

The tariffs for identical scopes in different standards have been made uniform to resolve inequalities.

The representation of the tariffs has been made more clear by showing the tariffs per application area (scope) within the individual standards. This assists in uniform application.

Value added tax (VAT) will be charged, where applicable, with effect from 2010 on the amounts invoiced.

3 Certification bodies

3.1 Basic payment

- 3.1.1 The certification body will make the basic payments shown in Table 1 annually to GMP+ International.

Table 1: Tariffs basic payments (in euro's) for certification bodies

a. basic tariff	€ 1,200.00
b. use of database web application	€ 800.00
c. per standard / scope to be certified	€ 900.00
d. per approved auditor	€ 120.00

- 3.1.2 The certification body will be due to pay the basic rates in April 2010. Payment must be made on the basis of an invoice to be issued by GMP+ International.
- 3.1.3 In the event of the application of the International Feed Ingredient Standard (IFIS), the tariffs specified in Table 1 are correspondingly applicable.

3.2 Other payments

- 3.2.1 A certification body which submits an application for approval as specified in standard C1 *Approval Requirements and Procedure for Certification Bodies* in order to obtain a licence to be allowed to carry out GMP+ certification must make a payment prior to the start of the assessment to GMP+ International as specified in a. in Table 2.
- 3.2.2 A certification body which submits an application for approval for an auditor must make a payment prior to the start of the assessment to GMP+ International as specified in b. in Table 2.
- 3.2.3 A certification body which registers auditors for the taking of examinations must make a payment to GMP+ International per registered auditor, per standard as specified in c. in Table 2.
- 3.2.4 A certification body must make a payment to GMP+ International as specified in d. in Table 2 for the issuing of a written examination certificate for an auditor.
- 3.2.5 A certification body must make a payment per examination form to GMP+ International as specified in e. in Table 2 for the issuing of a copy of examinations.

Table 2: Tariffs basic payments (in euro's) for certification bodies

application for the approval of a certification body	€ 1,500.00
application for the approval of auditors	€ 380.00
registration of an auditor for an examination	€ 90.00
issuing of an examination certificate	€ 25.00
issuing a copy of examination forms	€ 10.00

- 3.2.6 The certification bodies are obliged to pay the amounts specified in section 4 from the GMP+ certified companies to GMP+ International. The certification body is due to pay this amount in the month following the issuing of the certificate and in the corresponding month of each subsequent year for which the certificate is valid.
- 3.2.7 The amounts specified in sections 3.2.1 to 3.2.6 must be transferred within 30 days to the account of GMP+ International after receipt of an invoice.

4 GMP+ certified companies

4.1 General

4.1.1 A GMP+ certified company must make a financial payment to GMP+ International as specified below. The GMP+ certified company will make this payment via the certification body with which it has an agreement and it in turn must pay the amount in accordance with that which is determined in section 3.2.6 to GMP+ International.

4.1.2 If the certification for a company location relates to multiple areas of applicability (scopes) or to multiple standards then, for each additional area of applicability (scope) and/or standard, 40% of the appropriate applicable amount is due. In these cases the highest amount is due in full and the discount applies to the lower tariffs.

4.2 GMP+ B1 certified companies

The GMP+ B1 certified companies must make the basic payments specified in Table 3 per company location and per specified area of applicability (scope).

Table 3. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B1 certified companies

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16th to 40th	41st to 60th	61st to 80th	>80
GMP+ B1: production of feed materials	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B1: production of feed additives	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B1: production of pre-mixes	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B1: production of compound feeds	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B1: trade in feeds	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B1: collection of feeds	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B1: storage and transshipment of feeds	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 50.00	€ 35.00	€ 20.00

4.3 GMP+ B2, GMP+ B3 and GMP+ B3.2 certified companies

4.3.1 The GMP+ B2, GMP+ B2 (2010), GMP+ B3 (2006), GMP+ B3 (2007) and GMP+ B3.2 certified companies must make the basic payment specified in Table 4 per company location, per standard and per specified area of applicability (scope).

Table 4. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B2 and GMP+ B3 certified companies.

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16th to 40th	41st to 60th	61st to 80th	>80
GMP+ B2 (2006): storage and transshipment / (collection) trade (may be multisite)	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 50.00	€ 35.00	€ 20.00
GMP+ B2 (2006): others	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B2 (2010): production of feed materials	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B2 (2010): production of feed additives	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B3 (2006): trade	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B3 (2007): feed trade	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B3 (2007): storage and transshipment / (collection) trade (may be multisite) / transportation of own products	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 50.00	€ 35.00	€ 20.00
GMP+ B3.2 (2008): distributive trades (can be multisite)	€ 40.00	€ 30.00	€ 20.00	€ 12.00	€ 12.00	€ 12.00	€ 12.00

4.3.2 A company which is certified under GMP+ B2 (2006) for more than one scope will, in the event of transition to GMP+ B2 (2010) and GMP+ B3 (2007) will not have to pay more during a transitional period of 2010 – 2012 than the total amount due under GMP+B2 (2006).

4.4 GMP+ B4.1 certified companies: road transport

4.4.1 The GMP+ B4.1 (road transport) certified companies must make the basic payment specified in Table 5.

Table 5. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B4.1 certified companies.

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16th to 40th	41st to 60th	61st to 80th	>80
GMP+ B4.1: road transport (can be multisite)	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 50.00	€ 35.00	€ 20.00

4.4.2 With effect from 2010, the certification body is obliged to inform GMP+ International of the numbers of transport units (loading compartments and tractive units) for road transport per certified company. The way in which the numbers of transport units must be established will be determined as quickly as possible.

The reason for recording the number of transport units is related to the aim of having a tariff per loading compartment or tractive unit with effect from 2011. This meets the desire to harmonise the tariff per company with the size of the transport company.

4.5 GMP+ B4.1, GMP+ B4.2, GMP+ B4.4 and GMP+ B4.5 certified companies: transport affreightment

The certified companies pay the basic payment due in Table 6 per scope for the affreightment of the various forms of transport in GMP+ B4.1, GMP+ B4.2, GMP+ B4.4 and GMP+ B4.5.

Table 6. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B4.1, GMP+ B4. 2, GMP+ B4.4 and GMP+ 4.5 certified companies: transport affreightment.

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16 =>
GMP+ B4.1: affreightment road transport	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B4.2: affreightment short sea shipping / inland waterways	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B4.4: affreightment sea transport	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50
GMP+ B4.5: affreightment rail transport	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50

4.6 GMP+ B4.3 certified companies: inland waterways transport

The GMP+ B4.3 (inland waterways transport) certified companies must make the basic payment specified in Table 7 per means of transport, per standard or area of applicability (scope).

Table 7. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B4. 3 certified companies.

Number of inland waterway vessels	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16 =>
GMP+ B4.3: inland waterway transport	€ 40.00	€ 30.00	€ 20.00	€ 12.00

4.7 GMP+ B5 certified companies: storage and transshipment

The GMP+ B5 certified companies must make the basic payment specified in Table 8 per company location.

Table 8. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B5 certified companies.

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16th to 40th	41st to 60th	61st to 80th	>80
GMP+ B5: storage and transshipment (can be multisite)	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50	€ 50.00	€ 35.00	€ 20.00

4.8 GMP+ B6 certified companies: feed materials cultivation

The GMP+ B6 certified companies must make the basic payment of € 25.- per location.

4.9 GMP+ B8 certified companies

The GMP+ B8 certified companies must make the basic payment specified in Table 9 per company location.

Table 9. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B8 certified companies.

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16 =>
GMP+ B8: production / trade of pet food	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50

4.10 GMP+ B9.1 and GMP+ B9.2 certified companies

The GMP+ B9.1 and GMP+ B9.2 certified companies must make the basic payment of € 30.- per company location.

4.11 GMP+ B10 certified companies: Laboratories

The GMP+ B10 certified companies must make the basic payment specified in Table 10 per company location.

Table 10. Tariffs basic payment (in euro's) for GMP+ B10 certified companies.

Number of business locations:	1st to 5th	6th to 10th	11th to 15th	16 =>
GMP+B10: laboratory testing	€ 235.00	€ 176.25	€ 117.50	€ 70.50

4.12 IFIS certified companies

If a company is certified in accordance with the International Feed Ingredient Standard (IFIS) then it must pay an amount which is equal to that of a GMP+ B2 company for the scope production of feed materials.

5 Application for mutual recognition

- 5.1 If a certification scheme holder wishes mutual recognition with respect to the GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance Scheme (GMP+ FSA scheme) then a written application can be submitted. Before this application can be taken into consideration the applicant in question must transfer an amount of € 750. - to the bank account of GMP+ International in advance.
- 5.2 A procedure will then be agreed with respect to the steps to be taken to arrive at mutual recognition in which an hourly rate of € 110. - will apply and there will be a minimum charge of € 1,100. - whereby the additional costs will be charged. The assessment of equivalence will take place on the basis of the protocol established by GMP+ International in which witness audits at a minimum of five companies will be part of the investigation.