

Questions and answers about the GMP+ standard

Our experts answer important and common questions regarding GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance certification. Are you interested in certification? <u>Contact us!</u>

WHAT IS GMP+?

Feed is a very important factor in quality assurance for foods of animal origin. Following a number of incidents involving contaminated feed in 1992, the Dutch sector agreed on Good Manufacturing Practices, which would later grow to become the GMP+ Feed Certification scheme. Originally developed by the Productshap Diervoeder (PDV), the GMP+ Feed Certification scheme, now deployed by GMP+ International B.V., quickly developed on an international level. The GMP+ FC scheme has integrated HACCP and is based on ISO 22000 standards.



2. WHAT ARE THE ADVANTAGES OF GMP+?

The GMP+ standard contributes to a responsible structure and proves to your customers that your Organization stands for quality, safety and responsibility. GMP+ certificates are internationally recognized and needed for standardization within the feed chain.



Meet the needs of national and international trading partners



Secure your position on the European and global markets



Improve efficiency within your company



Reduce your liability risk



Strengthen the trust of your customers and business partner



Save time and money with combined certification



Global coordination and performance of audits

3. WHO CAN RECEIVE A CERTIFICATION?

The GMP+ standard is specifically for the feed industry. It states requirements for companies with activities of feed production, storage and transshipment, trade, transport and affreightment. If your organization is involved in the feed chain, you can get certified according to GMP+.

4. ARE THERE DIFFERENT TYPES OF GMP+ CERTIFICATION?

Two modules were developed as part of the GMP+ Feed Certification Scheme standard: GMP+ FSA and GMP+ FRA:



The GMP+ Feed Safety Assurance (FSA) enables a company to achieve its feed safety objectives. It specifies requirements for a Feed Safety Management System, which enables a company to provide safe feed products and feed services.



The GMP+ Feed Responsibility Assurance (FRA) enables a company to achieve its feed responsibility objectives. It specifies requirements for a Feed Responsibility Management System, which enables a company to provide responsible feed products and feed service.



5. HOW LONG IS A GMP+ CERTIFICATION VALID?

A GMP+ certificate is valid for a maximum of three years. However, you can extend it with a recertification audit.

6. WHAT IS THE GMP+ CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE?

GMP+ certification in just a few steps with LGA InterCert GmbH



7. WHO CARRIES OUT THE CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE?

The GMP+ certification is carried out by our TÜV Rheinland experts under the accreditation (only for GMP+ 2010) and acceptation by the scheme owner GMP+ International of LGA InterCert.

Do you have any further questions about the GMP+ certification? Would you like an individual, non-binding offer? Please get in touch with us!





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