
Bonsucro Production Standard V5.1 – Changes to the structure of the Bonsucro Production Standard

The webinar will commence shortly.



Bonsucro Production Standard V5.1 – Structure of the Production Standard

Today's presenters

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Webinar timetable



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Structure of the Production Standard

- Management system indicators
 - In principle 1 of the Production Standard
- Indicators that apply to the whole supply area
 - Mainly in Principle 1, 4 & 5
- Continuous Improvement Indicators
 - Indicators that you have to meet only after the first year of certification
 - Integrated into Principle 5

Context for the changes

Management systems are a staple for any certification system (e.g. ISO)

They assist the operators in helping to prioritise objectives and direct resources

Present in ChoC & Smallholder Std as well as the code of conduct

There are certain indicators that can only be accurately addressed by looking beyond the **Unit of certification**

Social & environmental issues such as deforestation & human rights are landscape level issues

Continuous Improvement Indicators Encourage improvement and compliance beyond a pass / fail

Management Principle

1.1.1 Sustainability policies are in place	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes	Core
1.1.2 - Mapping of Internal, External, and Vulnerable Stakeholders is conducted	Mill Agriculture	Yes	Core
1.1.4 - Risk and Impact Assessment are conducted	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes	Core
1.2.3 – Objectives and plans are set to control for highest identified risks	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes	Core
1.2.4 Corrective actions are implemented and management review conducted	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes	Non-core
1.3.1 - Grievance mechanism for communities are in place	Mill Agriculture	Yes	Non-core

Interview with Ruth

- In your experience, how important are management systems for achieving and maintaining certification?
- What role can management systems play to promote improvement in areas outside the direct influence of the mills, for example with third party suppliers or independent farmers?

Indicators that apply to the whole supply area

1.1.1 Sustainability policies are in place	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes
1.1.3 Land & water claims that are legitimately contested by other users	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	0 has & 0 / m3
1.1.4 - Risk and Impact Assessment are conducted	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes
1.2.3 – Objectives and plans are set to control for highest identified risks	Mill Agriculture Whole supply area	Yes
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4.1.1 – Map biodiversity and ecosystem services on and around farm areas, and develop a Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP)	Agriculture	Yes
4.1. 5 – Across the whole supply area future expansion is conducted in non-HCV areas	Mill Agriculture	Yes
4.4.1 – Identification and monitoring of current, historical and potential pests and diseases	Agriculture	80% of area
5.4.1 - Occupational health and safety is promoted in the whole cane supply area.	Whole supply area	Yes
5.4.2. Safe worker accommodation in cane supplier area	Whole supply area	Yes

Interview with Ruth

- What are some of the risks associated with not working on the area outside the unit of certification?
- What sort of actions do you expect certified operators to undertake in this regard?

Continuous Improvement

- Staggered implementation:
 - 20 % of indicators in y1, 40% in y2, 60% in y3, 80% in y4, 100% in y5
- 5.1 To promote economic and social sustainability
- 5.2 To reduce emissions and effluents. To promote recycling of waste streams where practical
- 5.3 To train employees and other workers in all areas of their work and develop their general skills
- 5.4 Continuous improvement of worker welfare
 - Occupational safety in area outside supply area
 - Worker accommodation in cane supply area
 - Gender inclusion in management and technical positions

Interview with Ruth

- Why have these particular topics been selected for continuous improvement?
- What benefits do you see coming from the introduction of a continuous improvement approach rather than only pass / fail?

Questions?

Please use the questions and answer box provided



Consultation process

- **The consultation will run from the 18th of May to the 31st of July**
- The draft Production Standard V5 and summary of changes are available in English, Spanish and Portuguese
- Comments can be provided by filling out the consultation questionnaire; available in English, Spanish and Portuguese and sending it via email to info@bonsucro.com
- If you have any questions, please feel free to write to me at any time: **Nahuel@bonsucro.com**
- There will be a series of webinars over the coming weeks to highlight the main changes introduced to the Bonsucro Production Standard
- All webinars will be recorded and published on the website.

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