

Self-declaration for producers of agricultural biomass (cross-compliance)

Producer: _____
 Street: _____
 Country: _____
 Postal code, city: _____
 NUTS II region*: _____

for sustainable biomass in accordance with Directive (EU) 2018/2001 as well as the REDcert² requirements

Recipient: _____

The biomass grown and supplied by me and described in more detail under item 1 which was harvested in the year _____ fulfils the requirements of Directive (EU) 2018/2001 as well as the REDcert² requirements if applicable; the respective verification is available.

(Please check the items that apply)

1.	<input type="checkbox"/> or <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The declaration applies to all crops (e.g. rapeseed, wheat) produced on my farm.</p> <p>The declaration is submitted for the following types of crops (please list): _____</p> <p>The declaration is made for the following agricultural residues or harvest residues, whereby the compliance with Article 29.2 of Directive (EU) 2018/2001 is given (please list): _____</p> <p>Areas to be excluded, plot designation (item 2): _____</p>
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The biomass originates from cropland that was already classified as such prior to 01.01.2008. It also does not originate from protected areas (Article 29 of the Directive (EU) 2018/2001) that were converted to cropland after 01.01.2008. If permissible land-use changes were made after 01.01.2008, the respective areas were either explicitly excluded under item 1 or the resulting emissions were included in our own greenhouse gas calculations (default values can then not be used).</p>
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The biomass originates from land within protected areas (nature conservation areas only – not water conservation areas) where farming is permitted. The requirements for protected areas have been complied with.</p>
4.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>I am subject to cross compliance as a recipient of payments from direct support schemes. The biomass thus meets the requirements for the production of agricultural biomass (Art. 29 of Directive (EU) 2018/2001) or the REDcert-EU "Scheme principles for the production of biomass, biofuels, bioliquids and biomass fuels".</p> <p>I participated in EU direct support schemes during the last calendar year. The notification of participation in such schemes is available.</p> <p>I will apply to receive payments from a direct support scheme this calendar year.</p>
5.	<input type="checkbox"/> or <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The documentation on the location of biomass cultivation (verification by means of polygon or similar proof of the area via field blocks, plots or parcels)</p> <p>...is available with me and can be viewed at any time.</p> <p>...is kept by the first gathering point of the biomass I supply.</p>
6.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>The default value (Art. 29/31 of Directive (EU) 2018/2001), the officially approved estimated value or the NUTS2 value should be used for the calculation of the greenhouse gas balance – if available and permissible.</p>
7.	REDcert² <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>For sustainably farmed biomass. Documentation can be provided that this biomass meets the REDcert² system requirements.</p>

Note: With this declaration, the farmer acknowledges that inspectors of accredited certification bodies may verify whether the relevant requirements stipulated in Directive (EU) 2018/2001 and the REDcert² requirements have been satisfied. It must be kept in mind that the inspectors of the certification bodies may be accompanied by BLE inspectors who monitor their activities. In addition, REDcert employees as well as auditors recognised by REDcert must be granted the right to conduct a special audit or witness audit.

Place, date

Signature

* NUTS2 regional designation if known, to be filled out by the first gathering point if applicable