



TRANSPARENCY

**GLOBAL G.A.P. AQUACULTURE, COMPOUND FEED AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY CERTIFICATION**



TRACEABILITY

# MAKING THE DIFFERENCE

**BUILDING TRUST WITH INTERNATIONAL SEAFOOD SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS**



SAFETY

Global food production needs to double to meet the demands of a growing population, which is expected to reach 9 billion people by 2050. Demand for seafood is also increasing, with per capita consumption more than doubling over the last 50 years.

As consumption reaches record levels, 20kg per capita in 2016, the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) has identified a food gap with seafood, if production does not increase to keep pace with demand. Some fish stocks are already being fished at unsustainable levels, which means there is only one way to increase production – aquaculture.

**FAST GROWING PRODUCTION SYSTEM**

Aquaculture has the capacity to meet global demand. It is the fastest growing food production system in the world, and already more than half of the fish consumed globally comes from aquaculture operations. In response to this growth and to help ensure standards are maintained, GLOBAL.G.A.P. has established a set of international standards to address social, environmental, food safety, animal welfare and traceability concerns in the aquaculture supply chain. UKB is an approved Certification Body for the GLOBAL.G.A.P. Farm, Compound Feed and Chain of Custody Standards.

**GLOBAL.G.A.P.**

GLOBAL.G.A.P. is a farm assurance program, translating consumer requirements into Good Agricultural Practices (GAP). It was created in the late 1990s by several European supermarket chains and their major suppliers. The aim was to bring conformity to different retailers' supplier standards, which had been creating problems for farmers. It is now the world's most widely implemented farm certification scheme. A series of standards have been developed which involved scientists, conservation groups, NGOs, aquaculture producers, seafood processors and the retail and food service industries.

**THE STANDARDS**

There are three standards in the aquaculture supply chain in GLOBAL.G.A.P.

- Aquaculture farm certification
- Compound feed certification
- Chain of custody certification

All aquaculture species are covered by the **Aquaculture Farm Standard** which sets out strict criteria for:

- Legal compliance
- Food safety
- Workers occupational health and safety
- GLOBAL.G.A.P. risk assessment on social practice (GRASP)
- Animal welfare
- Environmental and ecological care

The **GLOBAL.G.A.P. Compound Feed Manufacturing (CFM) Standard** defines the control points and compliance criteria for quality and safety assurance in the production, supply and purchase of raw materials and feed ingredients for commercial compound feed. It covers all the production steps from purchase, handling and storage to the processing and distribution of commercial compound feed. The standard also covers workers occupational health and safety.

The **GLOBAL.G.A.P. Chain of Custody (CoC) Standard** identifies the status of your product throughout the entire process, from farm to retailer. It sets out strict requirements for handling certified products and the proper segregation of certified and non-certified produce in the processing operation units. The CoC Standard gives you the level of transparency and integrity that provides added value to your products and brand in the market place and reassurance to your customers.

**THE GLOBAL.G.A.P. CERTIFICATION AND AUDIT PROCESS**

GLOBAL.G.A.P. standards all contain measurable criteria that must be met, or exceeded, in order for a farm to achieve certification. To support applications for GLOBAL.G.A.P. certification, UKB has a global network of offices and auditors in all seafood producing countries. The audit process is entirely independent of GLOBAL.G.A.P. and our trained and experienced auditors conduct on-site audits and compile the necessary audit reports for consideration for certification.

UKB makes the final evaluation and awards certification. Successful applicants will then receive their certificate from UKB.

**UKB GLOBAL.G.A.P. LOGO**

UKB GLOBAL.G.A.P. has developed a consumer facing logo which allows companies to demonstrate their certification in the marketplace. To use the UKB GLOBAL.G.A.P. logo and identify a product as UKB GLOBAL.G.A.P. certified, facilities require a Chain of Custody audit and must meet the requirements of UKB GLOBAL.G.A.P. Logo Licensing.

**TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION**

Innovation is at the heart of our business. New technologies deliver knowledge, insight, transparency and efficiency for our customers.

**Transparency-One:** Manage risk, production and safety with UKB's digital supply chain solution Transparency-One.

**UKB BENEFITS**

UKB is the world's leading inspection, verification, testing and certification company. Recognized as the global benchmark for quality and integrity, we employ over 95,000 people and operate an international network with over 2,400 offices and laboratories around the world. UKB provides a comprehensive suite of solutions for the food industry combining audits and certification, testing and analysis, inspection, training and technical services.

We strive to deliver outstanding value at every step in your project by providing:

-  Rapid turnaround time
-  Technical assistance
-  Key account management
-  Customized service
-  Data management and reporting

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