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ENFIT HQF CERTIFICATION

High Quality Food, Feed and Chemicals certification for cleaning stations and awarding of HQF Quality Seal



MOTIVATION AND BENEFITS

The aim of the ENFIT HQF certification is to train and qualify the staff of the cleaning stations so that they can fully meet their responsibilities. The HQF certification certifies that the cleaning station has qualified accordingly and implements the strict ENFIT standards, provided the client commissions this.

After successfully completing the ENFIT HQF certification, the cleaning station receives the appropriate seal of quality: BASIC - BASIC PLUS - HIGH or EXCELLENT, depending on the certification result (SCORE). With the seal of quality, the industry can immediately recognize the performance and the technical status of a cleaning station. The cleaning stations that have been awarded the ENFIT seal of approval are entitled to issue the internationally valid ENFIT cleaning certificate ECC-ENFIT CLEANING CERTIFICATE®). The ENFIT certificate is registered with the Trademark Office of the European Union as a registered certificate.

In order to make the quality of the cleaning station visible to the outside world, the respective seal of approval is printed on the ENFIT cleaning certificate. When cleaning food and feed transport containers, the ENFIT CLEANING CODES (cleaning programs) should be used. When cleaning chemical transport containers, the TCCs tank cleaning codes may also be used in the cleaning certificate.

Loaders and unloaders thus receive maximum transparency and security. The ENFIT cleaning certificate is secured in the block-chain and can be checked for authenticity by the loader or unloader.

OBJECTIVES

- Establish the ENFIT standard requirements for cleaning station to minimize the risks of the food, feed, or chemical contamination in supply chain
- Establish ENFIT cleaning codes and programs as part of systematic and approved process for cleaning of transport
- Certification and approval with HQF Quality seals as part of justification of provided service level

TARGET GROUP

Companies and organizations from the fields of food, feed or chemical production, transport and logistic, that clean internally trans-

port units in cleaning station. Also, cleaning stations that offer service of cleaning of transport units a part of service in supply chain of food, feed and chemicals.

CRITERIA

The cleaning station has a **valid ENFIT HQF certificate** (High Quality Food, Feed and Chemical Certificate) awarded by an authorised and independent certification company trained according to ENFIT standards. Cleaning stations that have successfully completed the ENFIT HQF certification are also **members of the ENFIT association**. This ensures that these cleaning stations participate in the association's continuous improvement program and are informed of changes.

The validity of an ENFIT HQF certificate is **2 years**, after which, a re-certification is required. ENFIT HQF certified cleaning stations are entitled to receive a certificate with the ENFIT quality seal: „BASIC – BASIC PLUS - HIGH - or EXCELLENT“ depending on the total number of points allocated to the cleaning station. The cleaning station operates according to ENFIT CLEANING STANDARDS, meaning it fully meets hygiene requirements for food transport containers,





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and also for feed and chemical transport containers. Furthermore, ENFIT CLEANING CODES are the same as the names of their respective cleaning programmes, programmes that vary based on the type of product transported in the food transport container. For Feed and Chemical cleaning, the cleaning stations can also use the cleaning codes TCC (Tank Cleaning Codes) for chemicals.

The **BASIC seal** is awarded to cleaning stations that are on the way to continuous improvement but have not yet achieved a minimum score of 50% or have not done the full HQF certification. The **BASIC PLUS seal** is awarded to cleaning stations that have achieved a total score of 50% or more in the audit.

The **BASIC PLUS seal** of approval is awarded to cleaning stations if they have successfully completed the HQF certification, but still have development potential in terms of technology or the building structure. Cleaning stations with the BASIC or BASIC PLUS seal of approval are allowed to issue the ECC-ENFIT Cleaning Certificate – BASIC or BASIC PLUS - as proof of their services.

ACCREDITATION

Quality Austria - Trainings, Zertifizierungs und Begutachtungs GmbH has been approved for certification according to ENFIT HQF Certification as of September 2022.

OTHER RELEVANT STANDARDS

ISO 9001, ISO 14001, SCP, SCC, AUVA SGM, EN 13816, Railroad safety according to Article 9 of the EU Directive 2016/798 (2004/49)

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Additionally, we organize several forums and conferences and have issued numerous publications. We participate actively in standardization bodies and international networks such as EOQ, IQNET and EFQM. We cooperate with some 50 partner and member organizations worldwide and thus ensure the facilitation of global know-how.

Having more than 1.000 auditors, trainers, assessors and technical experts all over the world, we ensure the successful implementation of standards and regulations within the organizations and provide sector and product specific knowledge with a very high focus on practical relevance. More than 10.000 customers in approx. 30 countries and over 6.000 annual participants in our trainings benefit from the long-standing expertise of our organization. We adapt our offer according to our clients' needs and support them in achieving their long-term goals!



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