

## LIST OF FEES ON THE WAY TO PLANETPROOF PLANT PRODUCTS

**The fees listed below refer to the contributions which must be paid to SMK through the certification bodies. These fees do not include the costs which the certification bodies charge to certificate holders for inspections and certification. For an indication of these costs, you can request an offer from the certification body/bodies.**

The fees consist of a one-time registration fee for new businesses receiving certification and annual fees. Both the registration fees and the annual fees are charged to the certificate holder by the certification body.

### 1) Registration

#### 1.1) Registration fees

The registration fees are charged in the year in which a business is certified under On the way to PlanetProof. If a company is certified for more than one SMK scheme, a new registration fee will be charged for each scheme. An exception to this applies to primary producers who purchase unpackaged products and are therefore certified for both the production scheme and the Chain of Custody scheme. They only pay registration fees for the first certificate obtained of the two certificates.

#### 1.2) Re-registration after deregistration

Businesses that re-register for and receive certification within twelve months of having deregistered do not need to pay registration fees for the re-registration to SMK. This applies to both independent certificate holders and businesses belonging to a supply chain management participant that are transferred to another supply chain manager or that become individual certificate holders. If there are more than twelve months between deregistration and re-certification, registration fees will be charged.

#### 1.3) Group registration

If a group of companies applies jointly at a certification body, they will be charged a group registration fee and a registration fee per participant.

A group is defined as:

- A certificate holder (Supply Chain Manager) with participants
- A partnerships of individually certified companies (such as within an association, a foundation, or a joint project) if the fees are paid through a single person/ organisation

### 2) Annual fees

Annual fees are owed in the calendar year or portion of a calendar year in which the company obtained the certificate. In the case of group participants, annual fees are owed in the calendar year or portion of a calendar year in which the participant is affiliated with a certificate holder. These fees are based on the entire (100%) size/production of the certified products, per product category. This applies to all certification schemes.

- For instance: if a certificate holder has 6 hectares of tomatoes with On the way to PlanetProof certification, of which 2 hectares are sold as On the way to PlanetProof tomatoes, the fee will be based on 6 hectares.
- The number of cultivation rounds per year has no influence on the calculation of fees.
- If 2 or more certified crops are successively grown in the same year on the same cultivation area (in 2 or more cultivation rounds), the fees are calculated by dividing the cultivation area over the crops concerned. For example: If spinach and then lettuce are grown on 1 hectare in the same year, this is noted as 0.5 ha of lettuce and 0.5 ha of spinach.
- For multi-layer cultivation, the cultivation area is calculated by adding up the area of all cultivation layers.
- Primary producers who purchase unpackaged products and are therefore certified for both the production scheme and the Chain of Custody scheme only pay the annual fees for the certificate for which the highest annual fee is due.

#### 2a) Fee boxes

A certificate holder always pays first payment on the first box, then on the second, and/or third. As an example: 110 hectares potatoes certified for On the way to PlanetProof of which the first 20 hectares is calculated on the basis of the first box, plus 80 hectares on the basis of the second box, plus 10 hectares on the third box.

For group registrations (partnerships and supply chain management) the entire turnover/production of all group participants is calculated via the fee boxes, and a graduated scale is applicable, see the table group fees.

#### 3) Deregistration fees

If a certificate holder deregisters for On the way to PlanetProof certification after 1 January, the full fees for that calendar year will be charged. However, if the certificate holder deregisters before 1 June and can prove in writing that no On the way to PlanetProof certified products were produced and/or traded in that year, the certification body will charge the certificate holder 50% of the fees. In the case of fees depending on sales, this amount will be based on the fees paid in the previous year.

# INDIVIDUAL RATES FOR PLANT PRODUCTS

Rates EUR - excl. VAT from 01-01-2025

## CERTIFICATION OPEN CULTIVATION

<b>Registration</b>	One-time application fee:		275.00
<b>Annual fee starting rate <sup>1</sup></b>	Starting rate per year:		110.00
<b>Annual fee per hectare</b>	<b>Box 1</b>	<b>Box 2</b>	<b>Box 3</b>
	0 to 20 ha	21 t/m 100 ha	101 ha and more
Arable crops <sup>2</sup>	8.50	6.00	2.20
Cereals	5.50	4.00	1.30
	0 to 15 ha	16 to 50 ha	51 ha and more
Field vegetables <sup>2</sup>	13.00	10.00	3.30
Aromatic herbs	22.00	16.50	5.50
Flower bulbs	22.00	16.50	5.50
Hard fruit: apple, pear	22.00	16.50	5.50
Stone fruit: plum, cherry, peach, nectarine, apricot, mango, avocado	33.00	25.00	8.00
	0 to 3 ha	4 to 15 ha	16 ha and more
Woody small fruit: blueberry, red currant, gooseberry etc.	33.00	25.00	8.00
	0 to 5 ha	6 to 20 ha	21 ha and more
Other fruit	22.00	16.50	5.50
Strawberries	66.00	50.00	16.50
Tree-nursery products - container cultivation, perennials - ornamental conifers, shrubs, climbing plants	38.50	28.50	10.00
Summer flowers	38.50	28.50	10.00
	0 to 10 ha	11 to 60 ha	61 ha and more
Tree-nursery products - avenue and park trees	11.00	8.50	2.75
Tree-nursery products - forest and hedge plants - fruit trees - roses - other trees	27.50	21.00	6.50

## CERTIFICATION OF PROTECTED CULTIVATION

	0 to 10 ha	11 to 30 ha	31 ha and more
Vegetables intensive protected cultivation	130.00	95.00	33.00
Vegetables extensive protected cultivation <sup>3</sup>	27.50	21.00	6.50
Strawberry	130.00	95.00	33.00
Fruit	33.00	25.00	8.00
Ornamental products	130.00	95.00	33.00
<b>Annual fee per m<sup>2</sup> of production area</b>	0 to 3,300 m <sup>2</sup>	3,301 to 20,000 m <sup>2</sup>	20,001 m <sup>2</sup> and more
Mushrooms	0.13	0.10	0.03
<b>Annual fee per m<sup>2</sup> of production area</b>	0 to 200 m <sup>2</sup>	201 to 800 m <sup>2</sup>	801 m <sup>2</sup> and more
Chicory	1.75	1.30	0.45
<b>Annual fee per ton (1 ton = 1,000 kilos) of product</b>	0 to 3,000 tons	3,001 to 8,000 tons	8,001 tons and more
Sprouts	0.22	0.17	0.06
<b>Annual fee per 1,000 pcs</b>	0 to 2,000,000 pieces	2,000,001 to 6,000,000 pieces	6,000,001 pieces and more
Bulb flowers (forced flowers)	0.13	0.10	0.03

## GROUP RATES PLANT PRODUCTS

Rates EUR - excl. VAT from 01-01-2025

### CERTIFICATION OPEN CULTIVATION

Registration	One-time application fee		
	- Group starting rate		
	- per participant who is registered via a group		
			250.00
			100.00
<b>Annual fee starting rate <sup>1</sup></b>	Starting rate per year:		
			500.00
Annual fee per hectare	Box 1	Box 2	Box 3
	0 to 100 ha	101 to 1000 ha	1001 ha and more
Arable crops <sup>2</sup>	8.50	5.50	2.20
Cereals	5.50	3.75	1.30
	0 to 75 ha	76 to 500 ha	501 ha and more
Field vegetables <sup>2</sup>	13.00	10.00	3.30
Aromatic herbs	22.00	16.50	5.50
Flower bulbs	22.00	16.50	5.50
Apple, pear	22.00	16.50	5.50
Stone fruit: plum, cherry, peach, nectarine, apricot, mango, avocado	33.00	25.00	8.00
	0 to 15 ha	16 to 150 ha	151 ha and more
Woody small fruit: blueberry, red currant, gooseberry, etc.	33.00	25.00	8.00
	0 to 25 ha	26 to 200 ha	201 ha and more
Other fruit	22.00	16.50	5.50
Strawberries	66.00	50.00	16.50
Tree-nursery products - container cultivation, perennials - ornamental conifers, shrubs, climbing plants	38.50	28.50	10.00
Summer flowers	38.50	28.50	10.00
	0 to 50 ha	51 to 600 ha	601 ha and more
Tree-nursery products - avenue and park trees	11.00	8.50	2.75
Tree-nursery products - forest and hedge plants - fruit trees - roses - other trees	27.50	21.00	6.50

### CERTIFICATION OF PROTECTED CULTIVATION

	0 to 50 ha	51 to 300 ha	301 ha and more
Vegetables intensive protected cultivation	130.00	95.00	33.00
Vegetables extensive protected cultivation <sup>3</sup>	27.50	21.00	6.50
Strawberry	130.00	95.00	33.00
Fruit	33.00	25.00	8.00
Ornamental products	130.00	95.00	33.00
Annual fee per m <sup>2</sup> cultivation area	0 to 16,500 m <sup>2</sup>	16,501 to 20,000 m <sup>2</sup>	200,001 m <sup>2</sup> and more
Mushrooms	0.12	0.09	0.03
Annual fee per m <sup>2</sup> of production area	0 to 1,000 m <sup>2</sup>	1,001 to 8,000 m <sup>2</sup>	8,001 m <sup>2</sup> and more
Chicory	1.75	1.30	0.45
Annual fee per ton (1 ton = 1,000 kilos) of product	0 to 15,000 tons	15,001 to 80,000 tons	80,001 tons and more
Sprouts	0.22	0.17	0.06
Annual fee per 1,000 pcs	0 to 10,000,000 pieces	10,000,001 to 60,000,000 pieces	60,000,001 pieces and more
Bulb flowers (forced flowers)	0.13	0.10	0.03

<sup>1</sup> The annual fee consists of the starting rate plus a fee per unit of cultivation area/yield.

<sup>2</sup> See List of On the way to PlanetProof crops to be grown in the certification scheme On the way to PlanetProof Plant Products open cultivation, arable farming and open field vegetables.

<sup>3</sup> Production without heating and illumination.