

SAI/FSA EQUIVALENCE



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2BS certifications, 2BSvs and 2BSXtra, are recognised as equivalent to FSA Silver standard in Europe!

This equivalence means that operators can market their raw materials in the food market under the "FSA 3.0 silver compliant" label.

WHAT IS THE SAI FARM SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT?

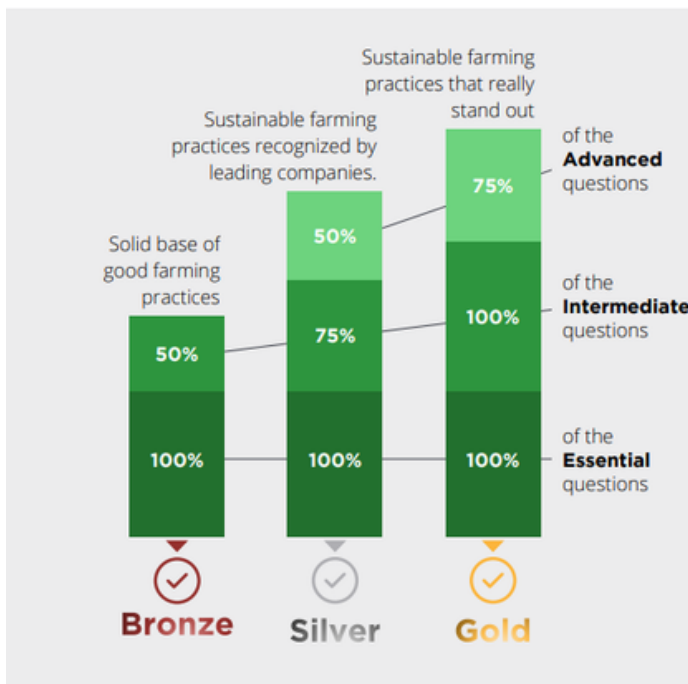
The Sustainable Agriculture Initiative (SAI) is an organisation that promotes environmentally-friendly practices.

To this end, it has developed the FSA, a tool for assessing the sustainability of farms.

HOW DOES THIS EQUIVALENCE WORK?

2BSvs and 2BSXtra have been positively bench-marked against FSA by the SAI. Thanks to this assessment, the sustainability programmes can now be benchmarked against the FSA.

Following this assessment, it is possible to achieve one of three levels: bronze, silver or gold. These levels are awarded according to the number of essential, intermediate and advanced questions answered in the self-assessment questionnaire.



This assessment enabled 2BSvs and 2BSXtra to achieve the FSA 3.0 Silver level.

FACTORS EVALUATED IN THE ASSESSEMENT



Environmental management



Social responsibility



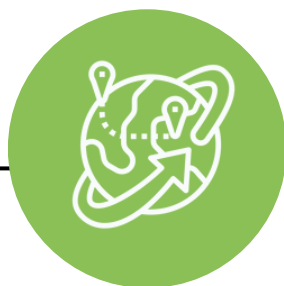
Economic viability

YOUR BENEFITS



Access the food industry market

This equivalence gives access to the food industry market through a global framework that helps farmers to assess and improve the sustainability of their activity.



Unlock international food markets

Many global companies want to source sustainably produced materials



Collaborate with interested parts

NGOs, customers and investors are trying to promote sustainability in the agricultural sector.

WHO CAN ACCESS THIS EQUIVALENCE?

The first gathering points (cooperatives and agricultural traders) and traders can benefit from this certification. The first collection points will be certified under 2BS standard 01. Traders will be certified under 2BS standard 02.

For European countries, this equivalence is available via the optional add-on known as "ADD-01 SAI silver Europe". This add-on enables 2BS-certified players based in Europe to promote their products as "FSA 3.0 silver compliant".

RULES TO ACCESS THIS EQUIVALENCE



According to the SAI guidelines, 2BS-certified players based in France may market their products as "FSA 3.0 silver compliant" without further auditing. Only the verification of a separate mass balance for the part of the production intended for the food market will be required during the STD-01 audit.



According to SAI guidelines, EOs based in Europe (in countries other than France) must carry out an additional audit: the "ADD-01" audit. The existence of a separate mass balance for the part of the production intended for the food market will be requested during the audit.



Under the SAI standard, all traders holding 2BS certification can market their products as "FSA 3.0 Silver compliant", provided that the materials purchased already comply with the FSA 3.0 standard. Only the verification of a separate mass balance for the part of the production intended for the food market will be required during the STD-01 audit.



Remember that you must inform 2BS and your certification body of your intention to use the equivalent 2BS-FSA Silver certificate before the audit.

To inform 2BS, if you already have an account on our website, please access your Personal Area and :

1. Go to "My certification",
2. Find the box "Please choose your 2BS certification complement (if applicable)".
3. Select SAI / FSA Silver - Europe

HOW DOES THE 2BS-ADD-01 WORK?

As page six mentions, the 2BS-ADD-01 extension enables European 2BS-certified producers to claim FSA 3.0 equivalence.

The three following principles are taken into account to obtain this extension:



Principe A : Operations and community management

Indicator A.1.1: land legitimacy

Indicator A.1.2: respect for land rights and the free consent of indigenous people



Principe B : Protection of the environment

Indicator B.1.1: No use of red-listed PPEs (Personal Protective Equipment)

Indicator B.1.2: Validity of authorised PPE sources



Principle C: Social sustainability

Indicator C.1.1: Respect for fair agricultural policy for workers

Indicator C.2.2: Vulnerable workers banned from PPPs.

Indicator C.2.1: Emergency contact details displayed.

Indicator C.2.3: Provision of decent accommodation for workers in sheltered housing.

WHAT TO DO IF YOUR ADD-ON DOESN'T WORK?

When the Add-on is audited, all the criteria applicable to the economic operator must comply.

In the case of an initial audit

If a criterion is not compliant, FSA 3.0 equivalence cannot be claimed. An economic operator may then request an audit again after 3 months in order to verify its compliance with the ADDA-On.

In the case of a follow-up audit

If a criterion is not compliant, the economic operator loses the FSA 3.0 equivalence. This can be regained after a further on-site audit after 3 months.

WHICH CERTIFICATION SHOULD I CHOOSE?

The two certifications 2BSvs and 2BSXtra are equivalent to the FSA Silver.



If raw materials can be used for both **fuel production** and for **human consumption**, the applicable certification is **2BSvs**.



If the raw material is intended exclusively for **human food**, you must hold a **2BSXtra** certification.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW

If I am not certified 2BS or 2BSXtra yet

1

I choose to apply for a 2BS sustainability certification.

2

I contract with a Certification Body referenced by 2BS on our website: <https://www.2bsvs.org/certification-bodies.html>

3

I register with 2BS by completing this registration form <https://www.2bsvs.org/demande-inscription.html> and I pay my 2BS fee.

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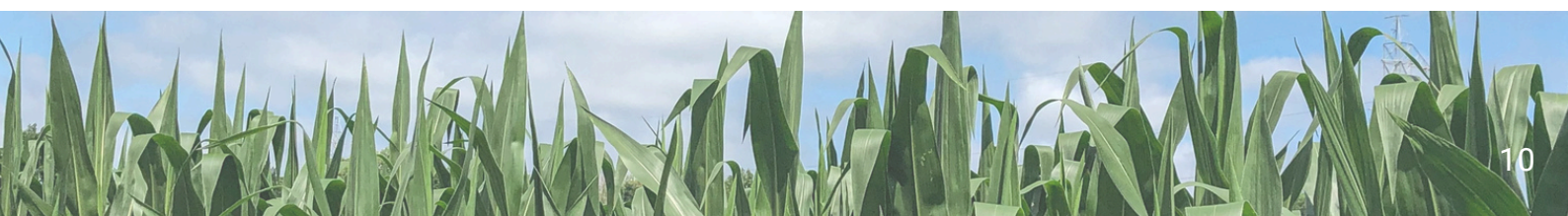
I put together the audit file with all the necessary documentation (see pages 9 and 10).

5

If necessary, I organise a mock audit.

6

I am audited and can obtain my certificate once it has been validated by the Certification Organisation.



I have a 2BS or 2BSXtra certification and would like to obtain equivalence

1

Inform 2BS of your intention to use the equivalent 2BS-FSA Silver certificate before the audit.

To do this, simply login to your Personal Area on our website and:

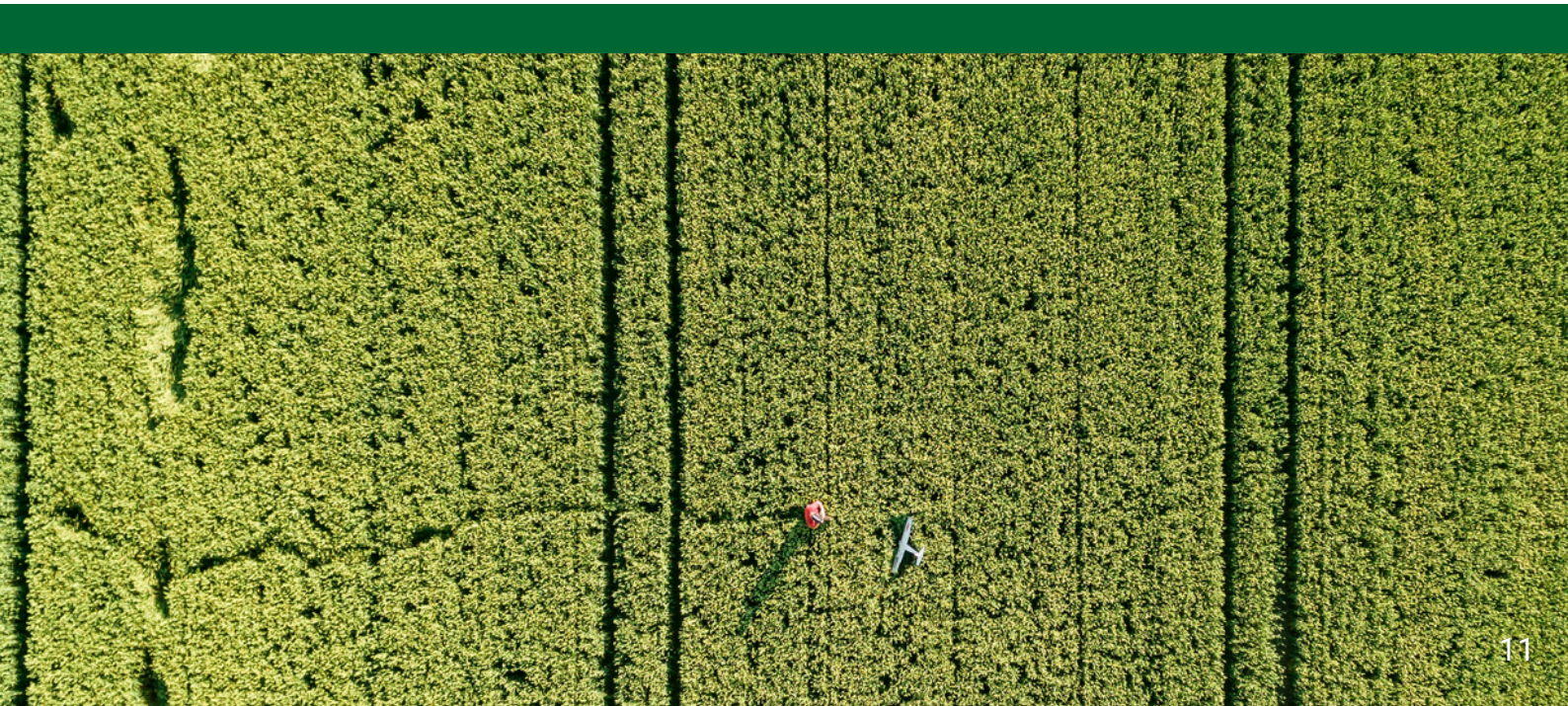
1. Go to "my certification".
2. Find the box "Please choose your 2BS certification complement (if applicable)".
3. Select SAI / FSA Silver- Europe

2

Inform your certification body of your intention to use the equivalent 2BS-FSA Silver certificate before the audit.

3

Verification of a separate mass balance for the part of the production intended for the food market during the STD-01 audit.



I have 2BS or 2BSXtra certification in Europe and would like to obtain equivalence:

1

Inform 2BS of your intention to use the equivalent 2BS-FSA Silver certificate before the audit.

To do this, simply log on to your Personal Area on our website and :

- Go to "my certification".
- Find the box "Please choose your 2BS certification complement (if applicable)".
- Select SAI / FSA Silver- Europe

2

Inform your certification organisation of your intention to use the equivalent 2BS-FSA Silver certificate before the audit.

3

Pass the STD-01 audit.


4


Pass the ADD-01 audit.


5


Pay the Add-On fee of 150e/year

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