

Certification Fee Regulation – Valid from 01 July 2026

1 Purpose

Establish and document the fees charged to customers for certification services.

2 Scope

The following rules apply for fees charged by SRS. SRS does not charge any fees based on product sales. Fees are only based on the cost of our service related to certification.

3 Certification charge

We charge fees for the following tasks:

- Service to applicants including operation description review/company registration (with standard owner);
- Inspection (including additional unannounced inspection);
- Decision making;
- Certification (including issuing certificates);
- Special services, e.g. residue investigations, complaint handling, additional announced inspections, issuing additional/amended certificates, transaction certificates, training to clients.

Expenses have to be reimbursed according to actual costs. They cover:

- Travel by inspectors incl. meals and accommodation;
- Possible fees by standard owners.

Category	Service / Item	Price per unit	Notes / Conditions
OPD Review	OPD review for one standard/scope	1.000 €	Base fee
OPD Review	Additional scope / standards	200 €	Added to the base OPD review fee
Certification	Certification day	600 €	Review and decision, Number of days depends on the complexity and the performance of your operation, i.e. preciseness of operation description and records, etc.
Inspection	Inspection day local	250 €	Number of days depends on the complexity and activities of your operation, number and distance of production site(s), sub-contracted activities, completeness of documentation, types of crop or collected species, number of cropping seasons, number of housings and open air areas for livestock, types of processing activities, etc.
	Inspection day abroad	450 €	
	Inspection day pure trader *	500 €	
	Inspection day Processor (simple)	350 €	
	Inspection day Processor (complex)	400 €	
	Inspection Producer Group	250 €	
Additional Inspection	Additional inspection (EU additional control measures, USDA high risk directive, high risk product SRS risk assessment)	800 €	Applicable for residues, investigations, or including new products/processing not covered by previous flow charts. Includes 1.5 days for inspector (1 day onsite, 0.5 day report writing) + 0.5 day review and decision.
Travel costs	Tickets and accommodation of inspector	Real costs	
	Traveling days	200 €	
Sampling & Analysis	Laboratory analyses	Real costs	
	Additional costs	5-10% per analysis	Covers sampling bag costs, phytosanitary certificates, and mailing costs
Investigation	Investigation / complaint handling	1.000 €	If an additional inspection is required as part of the process, the additional 800.00 fee will also be charged.

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Mediation / reinstatement	Mediation, reinstatement	500 €	
NTC/COI/NOPIC issuance		50 € 150 € for express issuance	
Training		80 €	for example JAS client training

* Applicable for both inland and abroad

4 Rules for cost estimates, invoicing, payment and non-refundable fees

SRS will provide each applicant an offer based on the submitted data in the application. When signing the contract, the operator agrees to the offer and will receive an invoice of 100% of the estimated costs to be paid within 14 days. If the OPD or registration document review reveals that the operation cannot be certified as presented, and no inspection can be assigned, SRS will reimburse the paid amount, except application and initial review fees. When an applicant/client withdraws from certification / renewal during or shortly after inspection, certification fee will be refunded. If withdrawal is turned in after the notice was sent out, no fees will be refunded.

If fees are changed or when changes occur on the operator's side, a cost estimate for the annual renewal of certification will be sent to the operator. The due time for payment will be indicated and enforced.

Attachment – Fees that differ for certain regions

Category	Service / Item	Turkey	India
OPD Review	OPD review for one standard/scope	800 €	800 €
Inspection	Inspection day local	As per default	200 €
	Inspection day Processor (simple)	250 €	As per default
	Inspection day Processor (complex)	350 €	As per default
	Inspection Producer Group	As per default	200 €