



Declaration of participation

Logistics company of meat and meat products

Company Details

Business/Company: _____

Street/Number: _____

Postal code: _____ Town: _____ Country/State: _____

Forename and family name of **legal representative:** _____

Phone (landline and/or mobile): _____

Telefax/email: _____

QS Qualität und Sicherheit GmbH ("QS") is the system provider and carrier of the cross-stage quality assurance standard. Your inspection system for food. ("QS scheme"). The standards defined by the scheme owner set strict, verifiable production and marketing criteria for all stages of the value chain - from the feed industry to the food retail trade.

On behalf of the QS scheme participants, third parties take over the storage and transport of meat and meat products. QS has defined requirements for these storage and transport processes in the guideline *Logistics of meat and meat products*. At the same time, QS has recognised the standards *IFS Logistics*, *IFS Food*, *IFS Wholesale/Cash & Carry*, *BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* as equivalent.

I hereby declare that, on the basis of a certification according to the

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| <input type="checkbox"/> QS-Standard <i>Logistics of Meat and Meat Products</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>IFS Wholesale/Cash & Carry</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>IFS Logistics</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>BRC Storage & Distribution</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>IFS Food</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Standard <i>BRC Food Safety</i> |

(Please tick one option)

participation in the QS scheme. With the signature and acceptance of this declaration of participation by the certification body commissioned by me and approved or registered in the QS scheme

Name of the certification body: _____

Street/Number: _____

Postal code: _____ Town: _____ Country/State: _____

Phone (landline and/or mobile): _____

Telefax/email: _____

I receive approval for the logistics of meat and meat products in the QS scheme.

By signing this declaration of participation, I undertake to

1. register my company in the QS scheme database and to enter the master data relevant for participation in the QS scheme in the QS scheme database and to keep it up to date at all times. I will

inform the certification body immediately of any changes to the master data and of any changes to procedures and processes relevant for approval in the QS scheme.

2. to comply with the requirements defined in the QS Standard *Logistics of Meat and Meat Products* or the standards *IFS Logistics, IFS Food, IFS Wholesale/Cash&Carry, BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety*, to remedy the deficiencies identified in the audit or by other means and to implement the corrective actions agreed with the certification body in due time. This obligation applies to all locations registered by me in the QS scheme. I am aware that the standards *IFS Logistics, IFS Food, IFS Wholesale/Cash&Carry, BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* are recognised by QS as equivalent in the version current at the time of submission of this declaration of participation. I know that
 - a. QS can withdraw the recognition of the standards *IFS Logistics, IFS Food, IFS Wholesale/Cash & Carry, BRC Storage & Distribution* and *BRC Food Safety* at any time; with the withdrawal, the approval of the companies for the storage and transport of meat and meat products in the QS scheme shall lapse.
 - b. only such third party companies (subcontracting) may be commissioned with the storage and transport of QS meat and meat products that also have an approval for the storage and transport of meat and meat products in the QS scheme.
 - c. products and accompanying documents may only refer to the QS scheme if our client can be clearly identified in the QS database as a QS scheme partner authorised to deliver at the time of handover and acceptance of the goods.
3. to cover the costs of participation in the QS scheme by paying an annual fee in accordance with the Certification Body's schedule of fees. I am aware that the certification body pays a system fee to QS for my company's participation in the QS scheme in accordance with the current QS scale of fees.
4. QS immediately in writing if our company's participation in the QS scheme is to be terminated and this declaration of participation is revoked.
5. to use the QS certification mark only in accordance with the style guide in the QS scheme manual. I am aware that drafts of printed media or screenshots of online communication must be sent to QS in advance for review and release.
6. to allow at any time announced and unannounced inspections by the QS approved certification bodies, employees of the QS office or by third parties commissioned by QS in my company and to allow the inspection of relevant documents.
7. in the event of an incident or crisis, to make the relevant audit reports available via the QS certification body commissioned by me, if these are not already stored in the QS database.

I agree that personal and company-specific data of my company may be collected for the purposes of quality assurance in the QS scheme and stored in the databases of the QS scheme, processed and used by QS. QS is entitled to publish my participation in the QS scheme and the status of my admission / eligibility of delivery in the QS scheme. The data of my company may only be used by coordinators or other scheme participants as well as by service providers in the QS scheme (such as certification bodies) to the extent that this is necessary for the performance of their tasks in connection with quality assurance in the QS scheme. I can agree to further use beyond the scope specified in the QS scheme manual by declaration to my certification body. The certification body undertakes to forward this to QS.

I am aware that I can inspect the data stored and processed in the QS databases at any time, request the deletion of this data at any time and revoke granted rights of use, publication and disclosure at any time by declaration to my certification body.

I am also aware that the rights of use, publication and disclosure granted above form the basis of my participation in the QS scheme.

If I revoke my declaration of consent or if I request the deletion of data whose use, publication and my participation in the QS scheme, my participation in the QS scheme shall end.

Beyond the above rights of use, publication and disclosure, my personal and company-specific data may not be disclosed to third parties and may not be used for purposes other than quality assurance in the QS scheme, unless I have expressly consented to the disclosure to third parties or the use for other purposes.

The declaration shall enter into force upon signature. It can be revoked in writing by both parties up to the third working day of a quarter at the end of the quarter to the above-mentioned certification body. In the event that my company expands its scope of activities in the QS scheme beyond the activities specified in the QS Standard *Logistics of Meat and Meat Products* (e.g. trades, processes goods, etc.) and concludes a scheme contract with QS on participation in the QS scheme, this declaration of participation can be revoked immediately without notice. The right to extraordinary termination of agreement in the event of good cause (e.g. legal succession, infringement of QS terms and conditions of participation, decision on blocking) shall remain unaffected.

Place, Date

Meat and meat products logistics company
(Signature of legal representative, stamp)

We confirm receipt of the declaration of participation.

Place, Date

Certification body (signature, stamp)