

MSPO CERTIFICATION SCHEME

The Malaysian Sustainable Palm Oil (MSPO) Certification Scheme is the national scheme in Malaysia for oil palm plantations, independent and organised smallholdings, and palm oil processing facilities to be certified against the requirements of the MSPO Standards. The MSPO Certification Scheme provides for application by potential clients for certification audits, development of certification standards, guidelines for auditing, accreditation requirements and notification of certification bodies, peer reviewing of audit reports, supply chain traceability requirements, issuance of logo usage licenses and procedures for handling of complaints.

MSPO STANDARDS

The MS 2530:2013 series of standards issued by the Department of Standards Malaysia (DSM) is a set of MSPO Malaysian Standards that stipulates the general principles on certification requirements for oil palm smallholdings, plantations and palm oil processing facilities to ensure that the palm oil products are produced in a responsible and sustainable manner.

THE MS 2530:2013 SERIES COMPRISES FOUR PARTS

MS 2530-1:2013 MSPO PART 1
General principles

MS 2530-2:2013 MSPO PART 2
General principles for independent smallholders

MS 2530-3:2013 MSPO PART 3
General principles for oil palm plantations and organised smallholders

MS 2530-4:2013 MSPO PART 4
General principles for palm oil mills

DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS

The MSPO Standards used currently under the MSPO Certification Scheme had been developed by two committees facilitated by the Malaysian Palm Oil Board (MPOB) as the Standards Writing Organisation (SWO). Representatives from various palm oil interest groups made up these committees. The Technical Working Committee for MSPO was responsible for drafting the oil palm certification standards which were submitted to the National Committee for MSPO for finalisation and approval.

The finalised standards were further vetted by the Technical Committee on Fats and Oils under the authority of the Industry Standards Committee on Food, Food Products and Food Safety, before being submitted to SIRIM Berhad for public comments. The standards were finally submitted to DSM to be adopted as Malaysian Standards (MS). The task of developing and reviewing certification standards and scheme documents is now the responsibility of MPOCC as the scheme owner.

ACCREDITATION OF CERTIFICATION BODIES

Certification bodies are required to obtain accreditation from DSM, the national accreditation body. This is necessary to ensure that certification bodies that conduct audits under the MSPO Certification Scheme are competent to carry out credible and consistent audits.

To obtain accreditation, certification bodies have to comply with the requirements of ISO 17021-Conformity Assessment - Requirements for bodies providing audit and certification of management system or ISO 17065-Conformity Assessment - Requirements for bodies certifying products, processes and services.

Certification bodies accredited by DSM will have to be notified by MPOCC to become eligible to conduct independent compliance audits under the MSPO Certification Scheme.



MSPO PRINCIPLES

The MS 2530:2013 series consists of 7 Principles which form the general requirements for oil palm management system certification. These are:

01

Management commitment and responsibility

02

Transparency

03

Compliance to legal requirements

04

Social responsibility, health, safety and employment conditions

05

Environment, natural resources, biodiversity and ecosystem

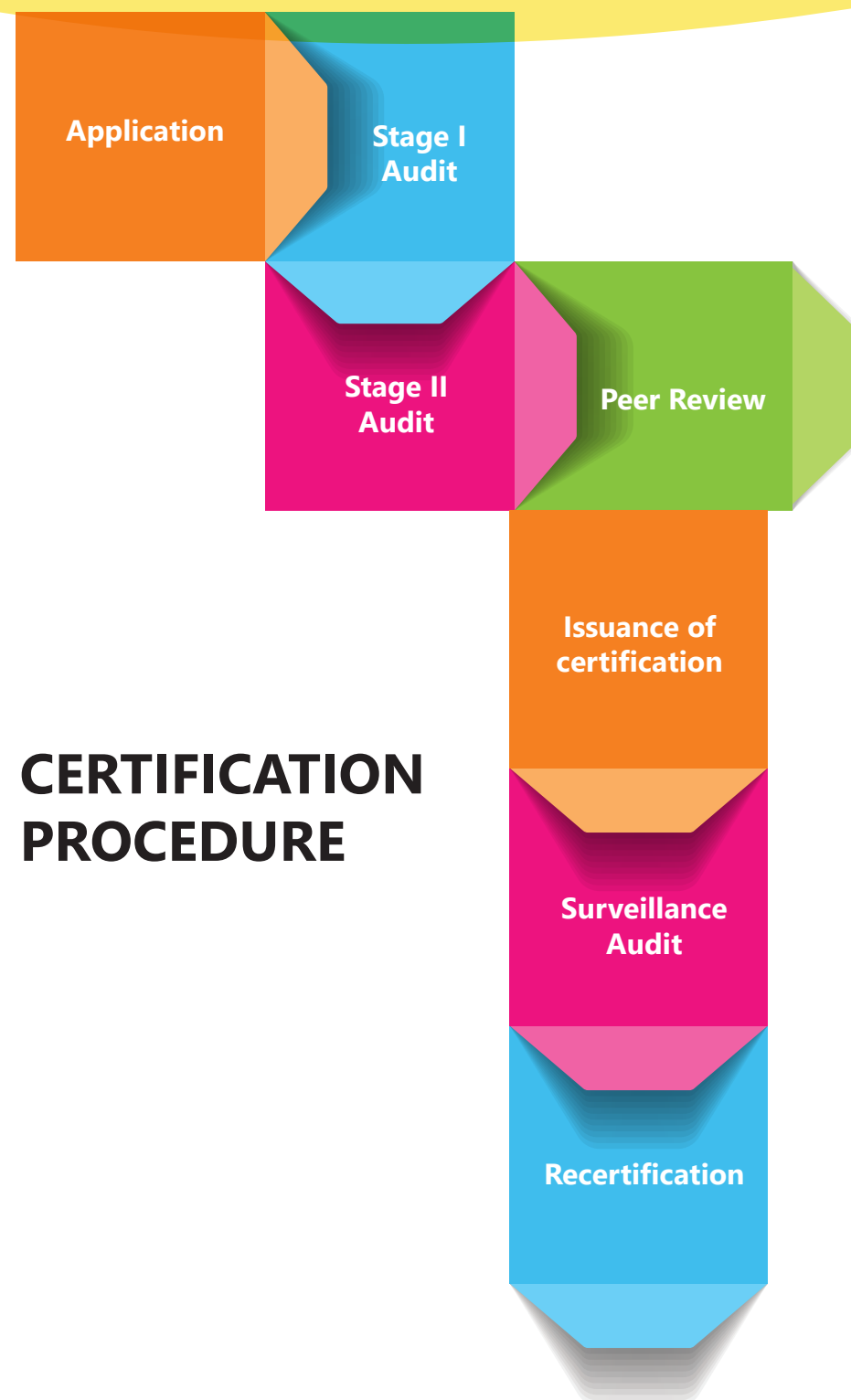
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Best practices

07

Development of new plantings

For more information on the MS 2530:2013 series, please visit <https://www.msonline.gov.my/default.php>



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