

Green Gold Label

List of prohibited materials

Materials and locations of GGL Participants that cannot be used in the GGL chain of custody



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This operating document is part of the GGL Operating documents as part of the Overall documents, and applies to all regulations. It concerns the GGL List of prohibited materials, that may not be traded under the GGL Scheme. This document applies to all regulatory frameworks.

The Overall documents comprise the GGL Setup and Governance, GGL Standards and GGL Operating documents. Additionally, the GGL scheme offers Instructions and Guidances for specific regulations (RED, FIT/FIP, SDE+/++), which can supersede clauses in the Overall documents. This applies only when explicitly stated in the relevant Instructions and Guidances.

Refer to the **GGL Document Structure** (as part of the GGL Setup and Governance documents) for more detailed information on navigating and interpreting GGL documentation.

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Changes and transitioning

This section lists the key changes in this version 2-0 from **GGLS1 Annex – List of Prohibited Materials v1-0 (Oct. 2017)**.

No.	Change type	Section reference	Details of change
1	Content	Section C	Added possibility for prohibited origins
2	Content	Section D	Added possibility for prohibited locations of GGL Participants
3	Content	Sections C.1 and C.2	Included specific origins as prohibited source for any material as per announcement of 15-Mar-2022.
4	Content	Sections D.1 and D.2	Included specific locations of GGL Participants as prohibited per announcement of 15-Mar-2022.
5	Text feature	Document navigation	Included document navigation
6	Text feature	Changes and transitioning	Included changelog and transitioning procedure between previous and current version
7	Text feature	Glossary	Included glossary
8	Formatting	All	Changed and edited formatting, text and wording for clarity and readability
9	Formatting	All	Converted layout to new templates for GGL Documents

In transitioning to this current version of this document, the following applies to Certification bodies, Participants and Certificates:

Publication date	7 November 2025
Adoption date	This document version <u>applies only</u> for the GGL Scope with FIT/FIP-Module as of: 1 January 2026
Effective date	The previous version of this document <u>becomes ineffective</u> for the GGL Scope with FIT/FIP-Module as of: 2 March 2026
Transition period	Certification decisions prior to Effective date based on the previous version of this document <u>lose their validity</u> for the GGL Scope with FIT/FIP-Module as of: 31 December 2026

To clarify: For GGL Scopes with the **SDE+ Module**, only the previous version of this document can be used and remains effective until further notice.



Glossary

Term	Definition
Adoption date	New (versions of) GGL documents state their Adoption date in the transitioning section. This is the date after which certification against the GGL Scheme and the specific document to which the Adoption date applies, is possible. Certification against previous versions remain valid until the Effective date of such document.
Biobased product	Biobased products are wholly or partly derived from materials of biological origin (such as plants, animals, enzymes, and microorganisms, including bacteria, fungi and yeast). They do not include materials that are embedded in geological formations and/or fossilised.
Effective date	New (versions of) GGL documents state their Effective date. This is the date after which only certification against the GGL Scheme and the specific document to which the Effective date applies, is effective. Certification against previous versions of such document is no longer valid.
GGL Module	These are the Instructions and Guidance documents based on which GGL has been approved and recognized as a Certification scheme under different legal and voluntary frameworks (e.g., RED in Europe, FIT/FIP in Japan).
Participant / GGL Participant	Economic operator that has been certified under GGL per GGL Regulation Section G or against a certification scheme other than GGL which has been endorsed & approved by the relevant authorities (e.g., EU for REDII, METI for FIT/FIP) to hold the equivalent status, such as forest and agricultural biomass producers, waste and residue producers, first gathering points, collectors, suppliers, traders, processing plants and conversion plants (end-users).
Point of origin	The location where the raw material is originally generated.
Publication date	New (versions of) GGL documents state their Publication date. This is the date at which that version is published. Certification against the new version of such document is not possible until after its Adoption date.
Suspended certificate	Suspended certificate means a certificate temporarily invalidated due to nonconformities identified by the certification body or upon voluntary request of the participant.
Transition period	New (versions of) GGL documents state their Transition period. This is the period within which (re-)certification decisions taken prior to the Effective date against the previous version of the current document, remain valid. Initial audits, renewal audits and surveillance audits by a Certification Body during the Transition period shall only take place against the current version of the GGL Scheme document to which the Transition period applies.

A. Introduction

This document lists the prohibited materials that cannot be part of the GGL Chain of custody as stipulated in **GGLS1 – Chain of custody criteria**.

B. Prohibited materials by type

B.1

All materials that cannot be qualified as biobased products, are prohibited.

B.2

The following materials are an exception to B.1:

- [No exceptions]

C. Prohibited materials by origin

C.1

Any material from Points of origin located in the following countries, is prohibited under the specific GGL Modules mentioned:

- Russia – under all GGL Modules
- Belarus – under all GGL Modules

C.2

The following materials are an exception to C.1:

- [No exceptions]

D. Prohibited locations of GGL Participants

D.1

Any GGL Participant located in the following countries, is prohibited from participating in GGL supply chains and any GGL certificate for any of his GGL Scopes will be suspended:

- Russia
- Belarus

D.2

The following GGL Participants are an exception to D.1:

- [No exceptions]