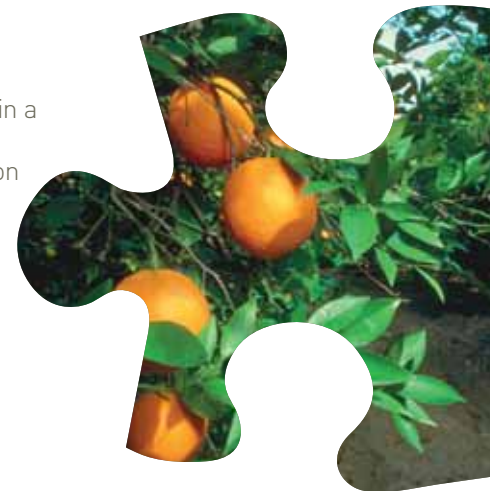


# ▶ EurepGAP Certification

Demonstrating good agricultural/fish farming practices and ensuring access to markets

## BUSINESS CHALLENGE

For food producers today, there is a constant challenge to grow safe, healthy products in a responsible way. New pressures from consumers, retailers and legislation have placed new demands on farmers and growers. They are increasingly required to use production techniques that reduce the impact of farming on the environment (land and sea), to reduce their use of chemicals, and to make efficient use of natural resources, while safeguarding the welfare of both workers, farm animals and sealife. Being able to demonstrate a commitment to good agricultural/fish farming practices has become essential to accessing the market.



## SOLUTION

### What is EurepGAP Certification?

EurepGAP is an internationally recognized set of farm standards dedicated to good agricultural practices (GAP). Through certification, growers and farmers can demonstrate their adherence to EurepGAP standards. For consumers and retailers, the EurepGAP certificate is reassurance that food reaches accepted levels of safety and quality, and has been produced sustainably, respecting the health, safety and welfare of workers, the environment, and in consideration of animal welfare issues. Without such reassurance, farmers may be denied access to markets. Bureau Veritas Certification understands all these issues and can perform the necessary audits to help you achieve EurepGAP Certification.

### What are the key benefits?

- Demonstrate to clients (retailers, product traders, importers) that your product is produced using good agricultural/fish farming practices
- Inspire consumer confidence
- Ensure access to your markets
- Enhance operating efficiency and competitive market appeal
- Implement processes for continual improvement
- Reduce the number of second party inspections to farms as more major retailers accept the scheme

## WHY CHOOSE BUREAU VERITAS CERTIFICATION?

**Food Expertise** ■ Bureau Veritas Certification can help every player in the food supply chain to meet the highest standards of Quality, Health & Safety and Environmental compliance.

**Recognition** ■ Bureau Veritas Certification is approved by EurepGAP for the following schemes and areas:

- Fruits & Vegetables in Europe, Middle East, Africa and Latin America
- Fish farming in Europe
- Animal farming in Latin America

**Network** ■ A global presence in more than 100 countries means clients benefit from both international expertise and in-depth knowledge of local standards.

**Mark of global recognition** ■ The Bureau Veritas Certification Mark is a globally recognized symbol of your organization's ongoing commitment to excellence, sustainability and reliability.



## RELATED SERVICES

In addition to EurepGAP certification, Bureau Veritas can help you to comply with a wide range of standards and norms including:

BRC, IFS, Organic, ISO 22000, HACCP, ISO 9001, ISO 14001, SA 8000, GMP+, FAMI-QS.

### Integrating standards

ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OHSAS 18001, SA8000, ISO 22000 and EurepGAP are built to be compatible. Bureau Veritas Certification offers the possibility of integrated certification services (Quality, Health & Safety, Environment, Social Responsibility and Food Safety). This approach delivers greater audit efficiency, consistency and optimization.



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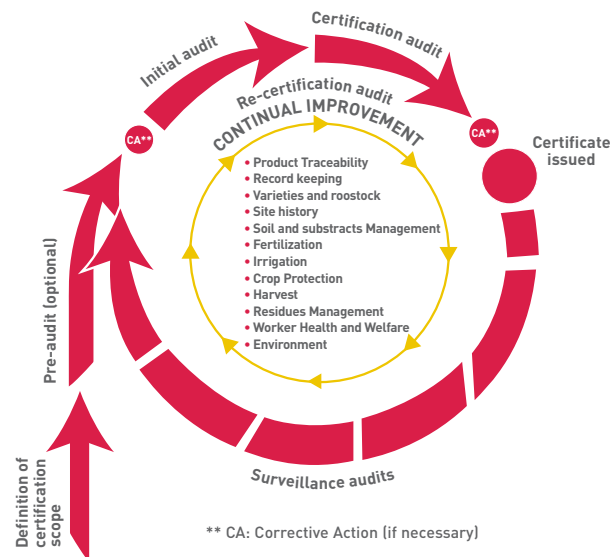
## OUR CERTIFICATION PROCESS

The certification process proceeds as follows:

- Definition of scope;
- Pre-audit (optional) in order to assess the farm's current status;
- Initial audit to verify the implementation of the basic Management System structure (applying legislation and regulations);
- Certification audit (certificate issued);
- Surveillance audits to follow continual improvement.

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## FAQ

### Who needs to be certified EurepGAP?

EurepGAP is becoming a compulsory standard as most European retailers now require it as evidence of good agricultural/fish farming practices. Producers of fruits and vegetables and farmers raising animals/fishes to produce food for human consumption need EurepGAP certification. Without it, their products cannot be stocked by those retailers. Increasingly, exporters to Europe also need to comply with the production standards determined by the EurepGAP certification scheme.

### Who pays for the certification?

The farmers/producers seeking certification have to pay. This cost can be offset by enhanced operating efficiencies and facilitated access to markets.



With 80,000 clients in more than 100 countries, delivering over 100,000 certificates, Bureau Veritas Certification is the world's leading certification body.

Relying on a global network of 5,700 highly qualified auditors and a vast expertise that is recognized by more than 35 national and international Accreditation Bodies, Bureau Veritas Certification provides you with a comprehensive range of certification and auditing services from public standards to more customized schemes, in the fields of Quality, Health, Safety, Environment, and Social Responsibility (QHSE-SR).

Bureau Veritas Certification (formerly BVQI) is the independant certification body of Bureau Veritas, which is an international group with a core business of conformity assessment, applied in the areas of QHSE-SR. Bureau Veritas serves more than 280,000 customers in 140 countries.

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