



FOOD SAFETY SYSTEM CERTIFICATION 22000

ANNEX 1: CB CERTIFICATE SCOPE STATEMENTS

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1. PURPOSE

This Annex describes the rules for the scope statements on the FSSC 22000 certificate. There are general rules for all categories, and specific rules for individual categories including examples.

2. SCOPE

The food chain categories and related supply chain sectors that fall within the scope of FSSC 22000 or FSSC 22000-Quality certification are defined in Part II of the Scheme documents.

3. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The certificate scope statement shall:

- 1) Be within the scope of the Scheme;
- 2) Clearly and unambiguously describe the process/activities, product types and/or services that are supplied by the certified organization and that have been audited by the CB. The report shall contain evidence of all activities in the scope statement;
- 3) Not include promotional statements or claims. Claims being any message or representation, which is not mandatory under legislation and which suggests that the food or service has particular characteristics. Examples are health claims, nutritional claims, origin claims, free-from claims (e.g. allergen free claims), organic, quality claims; Where an organization makes such claims, they shall be investigated when they are part of the FSMS but may not appear in scope statement;
- 4) Brand names are not allowed as this might suggest product certification;
- 5) Be in English, but another language may be added (e.g. the native language of the country of the certified organization);
- 6) Not mention subcontracted or outsourced processes outside the organisation's legal responsibility;
- 7) Shall not include activities as trading, broking;
- 8) Not include reference to products, processes or services related to non-food/feed (e.g. shall not refer to pharmaceutical and self-medication products, tobacco, cosmetics, household and personal care, ink);
- 9) Not contain exclusions for activities, processes, products or services when those activities, processes, products or services can have an influence on the food safety of the end products as defined in the scope of certification (ISO/TS 22003:2013 9.1.1); Where permitted exclusions apply, this shall be motivated in the report and the certificate shall contain the text "Exclusions apply";
- 10) Not contain Development and Design as separate activity. These activities are only allowed when part of a processing or manufacturing activity covered by the FSSC 22000 scope of certification and part of the same legal entity.

4. SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

The food chain categories and related supply chain sectors that fall within the scope of FSSC 22000 or FSSC 22000-Quality certification are defined in Part II of the scheme documents.

4.1 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY A - FARMING OF ANIMALS

The scope statement shall contain the type of animal concerned.

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Receiving of day-old chickens, growing (production) and loading to abattoir for slaughter.	Yes	

4.2 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY C - FOOD MANUFACTURING

- 1) FSSC 22000 is a Management System certification, not a product certification. Therefore, listing all individual products, the organization produces shall be avoided.
- 2) Applied technologies that impact food safety shall be mentioned (e.g. sterilization, pasteurization, fermentation, drying) but it is strongly advised not to put all individual process steps in the scope statement (e.g. receiving raw materials, storing raw materials, mixing, proofing, baking, packaging in plastic, storage – is not preferred).
- 3) The type of packaging shall be mentioned when it has a vital function in food safety (e.g. vacuum packaging, MAP packaging) and/or when there is a potential impact on food safety (e.g. glass).
- 4) Where products are intended for specific vulnerable consumer groups, this shall be indicated in scope statement (e.g. food for baby's, hospitals etc.).
- 5) Storage, warehousing, & distribution, delivery, supply and dispatch operations (on or off site), may only be added to the manufacturing scope statement in cases where these are:
 - dedicated to the company's own production;
 - included within the audited food safety management system;
 - part of the same legal entity (i.e. owned by the organization).
 Where 3rd party Logistic Services are provided, category G is applicable.
- 6) The word "sales" is not allowed: A manufacturer will always have sales activities, as they will need to sell their products (primary reason for being in business). However, there are no provisions or specific requirements in the food manufacturing standard for the sales process, therefore is not auditable and cannot appear in the scope statement. The same requirement applies to words equivalent or similar to sales such as marketing, exporting and or importing.
- 7) By products for animal feed can be included provided they are mentioned in scope statement with the addition "for use in the feed industry" or equivalent wording.

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Production of Eggs	Yes	However, better is do describe the actual activities like sorting and packing of eggs.
Production and packing of vegetable oil.	Yes/No	For a company that really produces oil (pressing, extraction) this might fit, however for a company that only mixes and fills oil into bottles the term production as such may be misleading and incorrect.
Production (pressing, winterization filtering and filling) of olive oil.	Yes	In this case it is clear what is meant by production, and although generally not recommended here it is necessary to add processing steps.
Development and design of ready-to eat meals	No	Development and design is not allowed as separate activity. Such activities are only allowed in addition to a processing or manufacturing activity covered by the FSSC 22000 scope of certification and part of the same legal entity.
Production of bakery products (plain croissants, croissants with chocolate filling, croissants with marmalade filling, white bread rolls with or without sesame seed, whole grain bread rolls with or without sesame seed, fruit cake, bread with raisins and nuts, bread with raisins, brioche).	Yes/No	It is not desirable to include all individual products.
Production of non-alcoholic beverages packed in PET, and the production of carbon dioxide as an ingredient for such beverages.	Yes	Scope statement correctly describing two types of manufacturing activities.

4.3 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY D - ANIMAL FEED PRODUCTION

All requirements as described under 4.2 (Food Manufacturing) apply with following additional requirements:

- The type of pet food shall be mentioned (e.g. dry, wet, treats)
- The target animal group shall be mentioned (e.g. cattle, chicken, dogs, cats, pet birds...)

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Production of pet food.	No	Missing is the type of food and target animal group(s).
Production and transport of dry feed mixtures for cattle.	Yes	Allowed if the transport process is owned by the company.
Manufacturing of dry pet food for small pets (rodents).	Yes	

4.4 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY E - CATERING

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Production of food for flight catering: including cold dishes, decorated cakes.	No	This is a manufacturing scope statement. E is only applicable when the actual catering services is delivered to consumers. In this case the airline is the caterer.
Production of wraps with different fillings in a central kitchen and serving from food trucks at festivals.	Yes	
Manufacturing of meals at a central kitchen and service at several locations.	Yes	Central preparation and service at satellite locations is allowed.
Production of food for events such as weddings, conferences. Prepared off-site and delivered to the event location.	Yes	

4.5 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY FI - RETAIL AND WHOLESALE

- 1) Category F1 is a Distribution category for Retail/Wholesale, and manufacturing processes are not included.
- 2) In-shop activities that only serve to give pre-prepared food a final process step are allowed in scope (e.g. grilling of meat, bake-off of bread, cutting meat or fish) and shall be mentioned in the scope statement.
- 3) Please note that ISO/TS 22003:2013 describes category F as Distribution. In many languages this means the same as transportation but that is not the case here.
- 4) It is required to specify which type of activities is conducted (i.e. wholesale or retail).

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Wholesale of fresh fruits and vegetables.	Yes	
Washing, cutting packaging and wholesale of fruit and vegetables.	No	Washing, cutting and packaging are manufacturing scopes.
Retail selling of chilled and frozen packed vegetables, meat, fish and dairy products to end consumers, including following in-shop activities: cutting and packing of cheese and fish.	Yes	
Selling of a supermarket assortment to end-consumers (meat and meat products, fish, beverages, dry products, vegetables and fruits, bakery products, deep frozen products).	Yes	
Distribution of powder and sauces.	No	It is not clear what distribution activities are. A clear reference to specific wholesale or retail activities shall be made.
Wholesale of packaging materials for food use.	Yes	

4.6 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY G - TRANSPORT AND STORAGE SERVICES

A scope statement in category G shall as a minimum contain following elements:

- type of service provided (e.g. transport, storage, cross docking)
- the type(s) of product handled (e.g. food, packaging materials, animal feed)
- the conditions of the activity (ambient, chilled, frozen) when food and/or feed is stored.
- for transport activities: means of transport (e.g. road, air, water, railway, bulk, containers)

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Ambient storage and road transport of food.	Yes	
Frozen storage of meat and meat products.	Yes	
Storage of fruit and trade in fresh pineapples.	No	Trading is not allowed.
Arranging of transport, licenses and export documents.	No	This is not allowed as the organisation does not provide physical storage and/or transport.

4.7 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY I - FOOD PACKAGING MANUFACTURING

The type of material(s) (i.e. plastics, paper and board, metal, glass) shall be mentioned in the certificate scope statement followed by the text “intended for use the food (or feed) industry”.

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Development, press and blow extrusion, gravure printing, laminating, slitting, converting and sales of flexible packaging for medicinal, chemical- technical, food and hygiene Products.	No	Only packaging for food products allowed.
Manufacturing of plastic laminated tubes for food industries.	Yes	
Manufacturing of wooden sticks for the use in lollypop sticks and ice-cream.	Yes	
Manufacture and printing of cardboard boxes to be used in the food industry.	Yes	

4.8 FOOD CHAIN CATEGORY K - PRODUCTION OF (BIO) CHEMICALS

The scope statement shall make a reference that these products are to be used in the food/feed industry.

Examples

Certificate scope statement	Acceptable	Comments and recommendations
Production of food-grade gas mixtures in cylinders CO₂, N₂, O₂, Ar used as food ingredient. Production of food-grade solid CO₂ (Dry Ice).	Yes	
The manufacturing of liquid flavours and dry “mineral and salt blend” concentrate ingredients for beverage use.	Yes	
Manufacturing of cleaning agents to be used in CIP systems in the food industry.	No	Cleaning agents are not within the scope of FSSC 22000.
Production of food gases Nitrogen, Oxygen, Argon, Nitrogen Dioxide, Carbon Dioxide, Hydrogen and gas mixtures for use as food ingredient or processing aid.	Yes	