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1. INTRODUCTION

This document describes the rules for any party seeking certification against the Tesco Nurture Module version 11.2 (hereinafter referred to only as Nurture Module).

The Nurture Module builds upon the GLOBALG.A.P. Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) standard in its currently applicable version and adds additional rules and control points.

Tesco developed Tesco Nature's Choice, re-branded as the Tesco Nurture Scheme (TN), which has been implemented through a code of practice since 1991. This scheme identifies key principles and practices that, when complied with by Tesco's producers and suppliers of fresh fruit, vegetables, and flowers and ornamentals, will ensure that their production and produce handling systems are sustainable, environmentally sound, and responsible.

In 2016, Tesco decided to restructure the scheme in a way that builds upon the current version of the IFA standard. Many of the producers that participate in the TN also have GLOBALG.A.P. certification. In order to increase efficiencies in the assessment process, Tesco identified the overlap of both schemes and decided to assess the control points that are specific to the Nurture Programme as the Nurture Module on top of the IFA standard for fresh produce.

For the sake of simplicity, this document will use the terms "certified products" and "certified producers". However, products and producers, themselves are not certified. "Certified product" refers instead to a product originating from a Nurture Module certified production process. "Certified producer/producer group" refers to a producer/producer group whose production processes have been certified.

2. OWNERSHIP AND SCOPE

This add-on is called the Nurture Module and is the property of Tesco plc:

Tesco Stores Limited, Checkout Building, Shire Park, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL7 1GA, UK

The transition to the new add-on started in 2017 and finished by the end of 2018. Ultimately, the scope of the Nurture Module includes all products that can be produced under the IFA standard for Fruit and Vegetables or Flowers and Ornamentals that are supplied to Tesco stores in the UK. The current GLOBALG.A.P. product list for Fruit and Vegetables and Flowers and Ornamentals also applies to the Nurture Module.

3. VALIDITY OF THE DOCUMENTS

All assessments outside of the UK performed after 31 March 2021 shall be performed according to version 11.2-2 only. Annex I of this document explains how producers can align the validity of their Nurture Module and GLOBALG.A.P. certificates in case this has not been done yet.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION

GLOBALG.A.P. c/o FoodPLUS GmbH is the appointed Nurture Module service provider for the scheme administration. This includes management and integrity services with the certification bodies that carry out the assessment of the producers as well as maintenance and provision of database services to Tesco and its primary suppliers.

The ongoing review of the scheme rules, control points and compliance criteria, and guidance documents as well as the management of certification body (CB) and assessor applications, complaints, or appeals will be managed by the Nurture Governance Committee (NGC).

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5. NORMATIVE DOCUMENTS

The producers and traders of products deriving from Nurture Module certified production processes have to be aware of the obligations and responsibilities as defined within the normative documents. The latest version of the normative documents can be downloaded on the GLOBALG.A.P. website. The normative documents may also be provided by the approved Nurture Module CBs. The Nurture Module normative documents will be periodically reviewed by the NGC.

The NGC may approve guidance to aid clarification of specific areas, which will be classified as supplementary add-on documents. These changes will be notified as described above. GLOBALG.A.P. shall inform the Nurture Module approved CBs about changes in the normative documents, which shall in turn inform their producers registered for the Nurture Module.

The following Nurture Module normative documents provide information for the implementation and assessment of the Nurture Module:

- a) **“Nurture Module Scheme Rules”** (this document) describes the basic steps and considerations relevant for the applicant producer to obtain Nurture Module certification. They set the rules on how the registration, audit, and certification processes work, as well as describe the relationship between producers, Tesco, primary suppliers, and CBs.
- b) **“Nurture Module Certification Body and Integrity Programme Rules”** describes the relationships between the CBs, Tesco, and GLOBALG.A.P. They set the rules for CB and inspector/auditor approval and the integrity programme.
- c) **“Nurture Module Control Points and Compliance Criteria”** define additional compliance requirements that producers with IFA certification are required to implement and be assessed against.
- d) **The Nurture Module checklists** consist of the relevant IFA checklists and of the additional Nurture Module control points and compliance criteria.

There will be two different checklist versions:

- Individual Producer/Option 1 Multisite without QMS
- Producer Group/Option 2/Option 1 Multisite with QMS

The checklists shall be used for external assessments, internal group assessments, and self-assessments. The Nurture Module assessment becomes valid only when the completed checklist has been uploaded to the GLOBALG.A.P. database.

The CB shall upload the checklist to the GLOBALG.A.P. Audit Online Hub.

Once the CB uploads the Nurture Module checklist, the checklist will be visible to the following:

- The Tesco team
- The GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat
- The Tesco primary suppliers (based on individual release by the producer)
- The CB that is the producer's trustee for the Nurture Module

- e) **“Guidelines for Nurture Module”** interpret certain complex rules of the Nurture Module.

Visibility of data is described in Annex I.4 “Nurture Module Data Access Rules”.

Unless otherwise specified in the Nurture Module scheme rules and the Nurture Module certification body and integrity programme rules, the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations parts I, II, and III, and the Crops rules apply.

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5.1 Document Control

- a) The latest versions of the Nurture Module documents can be downloaded free of charge from the GLOBALG.A.P. website and are available from all approved CBs.
- b) Language: Original documents are in English. The Nurture Module documents may be made available in other languages. In case of discrepancy between translations, the English version shall prevail.
- c) Changes to the documents:
 - (i) Normative documents are identified with a unique document code and a version number and date.
 - (ii) The date in the version name indicates the date of publication of the document.
 - (iii) A change in the first digit (e.g., change from 1.x to 2.0) indicates a version change. A change in the second digit indicates updates of the same version.
 - (iv) Updates can be made independently in the scheme rules, certification body and integrity programme rules, and checklists, but a version change affects all normative documents.
 - (v) The updates are sent as official communication by GLOBALG.A.P. to all Nurture Module approved CBs and made available to Tesco primary suppliers on the Tesco Supplier Network portal. CBs are responsible for informing their clients of such updates.
 - (vi) The NGC is the final arbiter for all technical and scheme management decisions and interpretations.

6. APPLICATION OPTIONS

- a) Application to the Nurture Module assessment is open only to individual producers or producer groups that supply Tesco. Producers will be registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database via an approved CB. Before registration, the CB needs to confirm that the producer is an existing Tesco producer or a prospective producer directly linked to an approved primary supplier of Tesco. Producers may supply Tesco via more than one Tesco primary supplier (e.g., if the producer supplies the UK and Republic of Ireland markets).
- b) The Nurture Module assessment scope shall be limited to only products supplied to Tesco. Nurture Module certification is not permitted for:
 - (i) non-Nurture Module producers supplying other customers via the Tesco primary supplier
 - (ii) non-Nurture Module products grown alongside Nurture Module products (in the case of parallel production)
- c) This means products may only be assessed against Tesco Nurture if there is a current programme to supply Tesco in place. Certifying all products and sites of a producer/producer group is not permitted unless all products are to be supplied solely to Tesco.
- d) GLOBALG.A.P. and Tesco shall monitor compliance with these requirements. Sanctions may be applied to suppliers, producers, and CBs where there is evidence of non-conformance with these requirements.

6.1 Tesco Primary Suppliers

- a) Tesco primary suppliers are companies who sell directly to Tesco. They may be producers or traders.
- b) All Tesco primary suppliers, except those who are producers who sell directly to Tesco, shall contact GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat and apply for a Bookmarking account. GLOBALG.A.P. will grant Tesco primary suppliers access to the GLOBALG.A.P. database and provide instructions on how to manage lists of their producers in the database. A

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supporting document with bookmarking instructions for Tesco primary suppliers is available for guidance.

- c) The Tesco primary suppliers shall manage their certified supplier base via the GLOBALG.A.P. Bookmarking system.
- d) The Tesco primary suppliers shall inform the relevant CBs which producers/producer groups and which products are to be assessed.

6.2 Producers

- a) Only producers who are connected with a Tesco primary supplier and whose production processes are certified or in process of being certified against the IFA standard may apply for an assessment through a Nurture Module approved CB. A Nurture Module assessment cannot be carried out if the producer does not have a valid GLOBALG.A.P. certificate, as Nurture Module certification relies on and complements the IFA standard.
- b) Applicants can apply for an assessment under one of the valid certification options as described below. A detailed description of the below described certification options is available in the current version of the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations.

6.2.1 Certification Options

Certification options follow the same rules as the currently valid GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations.

Option 1 – Individual Certification

- a) An individual producer applies.
- b) An individual producer is the certificate holder once certified.

Option 1 – Multisite without Implementation of a Quality Management System

- a) An individual producer or one organization owns several production sites that do not function as separate legal entities.

Option 1 – Multisite with Implementation of a Quality Management System

- a) An individual producer or one organization owns several production sites that *do not* function as separate legal entities, but a quality management system (QMS) has been implemented.
- b) In this case the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations part II “Quality Management System Rules” shall apply.

Option 2 – Group Certification

- a) A producer group applies for group certification.
- b) The group, as a legal entity, is the certificate holder once certified.
- c) A group shall have a QMS implemented and comply with rules set out in the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations part II “Quality Management System Rules”.

6.3 Producer Confirmation Process

- a) At the start of each growing season, approved Tesco primary suppliers shall inform the relevant CBs which producers/producer groups and which products are to be assessed.
- b) The list shall include sufficient detail to enable the CB to carry out the Nurture Module assessment and at minimum the producer name, address, GLOBALG.A.P. Number (GGN), producer group member details, products supplied to Tesco, and the O-Key of the Tesco primary supplier.
- c) If additional producers require a Nurture Module assessment during the season, the Tesco primary supplier shall notify the relevant CB.
- d) The Nurture Module assessment cannot take place without a current (for the coming cycle) confirmation of the producer/producer group by the Tesco primary supplier.
- e) If potential producers contact a CB to request a Nurture Module assessment after the initial list of producers has been submitted, the CB shall confirm the producer with the relevant Tesco primary supplier before accepting to conduct the Nurture Module assessment.

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- f) The CB shall also validate the approval of the primary supplier with GLOBALG.A.P. customer support at least once every year and when receiving confirmation from a previously not validated primary supplier. The CB shall keep record of this verification for at least 3 years.
- g) If a producer is delisted, the Tesco primary supplier shall inform the relevant CB, who shall cancel the Nurture Module certificate in the GLOBALG.A.P. database and cancel any upcoming assessments (including unannounced/surveillance).
- h) If a certified producer is transferred to a different Tesco primary supplier, the new Tesco primary supplier shall inform the CB of the change.
- i) In all cases above, the CB shall keep record of the confirmation by the Tesco primary supplier for at least 3 years.

7. REGISTRATION PROCESS

7.1 Registration

Registration for the relevant IFA standard in its current version is a pre-requisite for a producer (applicant) to apply for the Nurture Module.

7.1.1 General

- a) The applicant shall register for the Nurture Module via the CB that carries out the IFA certification. Contact information of Nurture Module approved CBs is available on the GLOBALG.A.P. website.
- b) The CB is responsible for the registration of the applying producer in the GLOBALG.A.P. database and for data updates.
- c) The registration process follows the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations in its currently applicable version.
- d) By registering, the applicant commits to comply with the following:
 - (i) Provision of additional registration data as specified in the Nurture Module registration form and in "Nurture Module Data Access Rules"
 - (ii) Communication of all data updates that are relevant for the registration to the CB (e.g., update of responsible persons, detected non-conformities, new products, new sites)
 - (iii) Accept "Nurture Module Data Access Rules"
- e) Confidentiality and data access:
 - (i) The Nurture Module data access rules regulate the access of different users of the GLOBALG.A.P. database.
 - (ii) During registration, applicants give written permission to GLOBALG.A.P., Tesco, and the appointed CB to use the registration data for internal processes and sanctioning procedures if applicable, as well as consent to Tesco, designated Tesco primary supplier, and GLOBALG.A.P. to access the Nurture Module checklist with the assessment results.
 - (iii) Producers can assign additional data access (to the Nurture Module checklist) to individual companies (Nurture Module Observer companies). To identify these companies, the producer needs to provide their O-Key to the CB.
 - (iv) The CB shall ask Tesco for authorization to certify producers who declare two O-Key numbers (i.e., two Tesco primary suppliers) for the same product. These scenarios shall not be certified without Tesco's approval.
 - (v) CBs shall not release any data to other third parties without the written consent of the applicant.

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- f) The Nurture Module scheme management and the NGC reserve the right to refuse/terminate participation of a producer to prevent the scheme being brought into disrepute.

7.1.2 Parallel Production or Parallel Ownership

Parallel production of Nurture Module certified and not Nurture Module certified products (GLOBALG.A.P. or not GLOBALG.A.P. certified) is allowed.

Control measures to prevent mixing of products shall comply with IFA version 5 AF 13 ("Traceability and Segregation") and AF 14 ("Mass Balance") and is evaluated under requirement NM 5 in the Nurture Module checklist.

7.2 Acceptance

For the registration to be accepted, applicants shall satisfy *all* the following conditions:

- a) Submit to the CB the Nurture Module registration form, which shall include all necessary information. Applicants shall have formally committed to comply with the obligations indicated in this document.
- b) With the acceptance of the applicant in the GLOBALG.A.P. database, GLOBALG.A.P. will charge the CB the applicable Nurture Module certificate license fee as set out in the current Nurture Module fee table.
- c) The registration and acceptance process shall be finalized *before* an assessment can take place.

8. ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

8.1 Self-Assessments/Internal Inspections

The same rules as for the IFA standard apply.

Producers and producer groups shall also use the Nurture Module checklist for their self-assessments and internal inspections and assess compliance with all control points.

Not conducting the self-assessment for the Nurture Module will result in failure to achieve Nurture Module certification.

8.2 Third-Party Assessments

- a) Nurture Module certification requires a third-party inspection/audit against the IFA standard version 5 and assessments against the Nurture Module conducted by a Nurture Module approved assessor who meets the requirements set out in the Nurture certification body and integrity programme rules.
- b) Inspections/audits against the IFA standard and assessments against the Nurture Module shall always be carried out simultaneously and by the same assessor and CB.
- c) The applicant shall give the CB and its assessors reasonable access to all installations and documents that are seen to be relevant to the objectives and scope of the Nurture Module assessment process.

8.2.1 Nurture Module Assessment Timing

- a) The initial assessment of the Nurture Module shall be timed to ensure that assessment takes place during the principal crop harvesting or handling activity period so that all pesticide records, harvesting techniques, hygiene policies, etc. can be checked. The principal crop is the one from which the producer sells the highest volume to Tesco.
- b) For initial assessment to producers who grow multiple crops to be certified against the Nurture Module within a consecutive harvesting season, crop grouping is allowed as explained in GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations. In case of grouping crops, the initial Nurture Module assessment shall also be carried out during the harvest or handling of the principal crop.

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- c) For external assessments in subsequent years, the assessment date will be timed to ensure that it is completed during, or as close as possible to, the harvest period or handling activity.
- d) The assessment date will preferably be by mutual agreement, but in cases where there is a conflict, the CB shall select the date of the visit.
- e) Failure to agree on an assessment date after two unfulfilled requests for assessment dates will lead to the suspension of the producer from the Nurture Module.
- f) A producer changing from one CB to another is considered re-certification, not initial certification.

8.2.2 QMS Audit

Producer groups or individual producers with multiple sites and QMS who apply for certification against the Nurture Module shall implement a QMS that guarantees compliance with the Nurture Module and the IFA standard.

The CB shall evaluate the implementation of the QMS using the Nurture Module QMS checklist.

For every control point, CBs shall assess whether the Nurture Module has been taken into account.

8.2.3 Option 2 and Option 1 Multisite with QMS

- a) The CB shall conduct initial and subsequent assessments (surveillance and re-certification) following the same rules as those set in current version of the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations, especially those regarding:
 - Timing.
 - Sampling of producer group members/production sites.
Initial assessment or first assessment by a new CB: as a minimum the square root (or next whole number rounded upwards if there are any decimals) of the total number of the producers/production sites in the certification scope shall be inspected before a certificate can be issued. During the validity period of the certificate, the surveillance inspection of (minimum) 50% square root of certified producers/production sites shall be carried out.
- b) The CB shall make sure that in the sample taken for the IFA audit there is always a number of Nurture Module producers in accordance with the calculation rules of sample size applicable to the different crop types (covered/non-covered/perennial).
- c) The producer/production site selection shall aim to cover all producer group members/production sites of the producer group/company throughout the years, taking into consideration risk factors, new producers, and random selection.
- d) Producers that move from one group to another shall have a higher possibility of being included in the sample of producers chosen by the CB.
- e) The scope of the inspection of the producers/production sites selected in the sample shall include:
 - All products registered for certification that they grow.
 - All types of production (i.e., perennial, open air, covered).
 - All sub-scopes for which they are registered.In the case of re-certification of Option 2 or Option 1 multisite with QMS, the scope may be covered between the certification and the surveillance audits.
- f) Inspections carried out on producer group members/production sites in which more than one production type or sub-scope is assessed count as one inspection for each sub-scope or production type.

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8.2.4 Nurture Unannounced Assessments

During the 12 months of validity of the certificates, the CB shall carry out unannounced assessments of a minimum of 10% of all producers/producer groups the CB has certified against the Nurture Module. The CB shall follow the same rules as defined in the current GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations for unannounced inspections/audits.

8.2.5 Subcontractors

- a) A Subcontractor is defined as the entity furnishing labour, equipment, or materials to perform specific farm operation(s) under contract with the producer (e.g., custom harvesting of grain, spraying and picking of fruit)
- b) Subcontractors shall agree that Nurture Module approved CBs are allowed to verify the assessments through a physical inspection in cases of doubt.
- c) Remarks shall explain the applicable subcontracting scenario for the relevant control points.

8.2.6 Upload of the Nurture Checklist and Certification Decision

- a) The CB shall upload the Nurture Module checklist in the GLOBALG.A.P. Audit Online Hub as per the current GLOBALG.A.P. Audit Online Hub upload rules.
- b) The CB shall also enter the Nurture Module specific information, including the details of the producer's primary supplier(s), the achieved Nurture Module level, and the products in the scope of the Nurture Module certificate in the GLOBALG.A.P. Audit Online Hub.
- c) The comments in the uploaded checklists shall be in either English or Spanish for all Major Musts, QMS control points and compliance criteria, and non-conformities.
- d) The CB shall always assess the complete Nurture Module checklist (this includes the IFA checklist) and therein confirm the information that was provided by the applicant in the Nurture Module registration form.
- e) Because all control points of the Nurture Module are Major Musts, remarks and comments shall be given in all cases (Yes/No/N/A) for every control point in all assessments.
Remarks and comments (e.g., which document(s) were sampled) shall be site specific and included in the checklist, showing that all the control points have been properly inspected. Remarks and comments for the IFA control points shall be given as indicated in the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations.
- f) Names and personal data of responsible persons or other employees shall not be entered in the "Remarks/Comments" field of the Nurture Module checklist.
- g) Certification decisions shall follow the principles as explained in the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations. That means the assessor carrying out the assessment cannot take the certification decision alone, but it shall be taken by a Nurture Module assessor independent from the one who conducted the assessment or a certification committee where an independent Nurture Module assessor takes part.
The certification decision will only be visible once the checklist is available for at least one product included in the certification scope of the Nurture Module.
- h) If certification is not achieved, i.e., if the non-conformances are not corrected, the Nurture Module checklist with all non-conformances, outstanding corrective actions, and respective remarks shall be uploaded to the GLOBALG.A.P. Audit Online Hub. This is then the final checklist, which is also issued by the CB to the producer/producer group as proof of assessment.
- i) After the upload of the checklist to the GLOBALG.A.P. Audit Online Hub, the electronic certificate validation tool is made available.
- j) The certificate may only be issued based on the information available at that time in the GLOBALG.A.P. database for that unique GGN/GLN. In case of Option 2, the certificate also lists all producer group members that are accepted for the Nurture Module.

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- k) CBs may issue paper certificates for the Nurture Module in accordance with the Nurture Module certificate template. The online certificate prevails over the paper certificate in case of discrepancy.
- l) The GLOBALG.A.P. and Nurture Module certificates shall be issued by the same CB.

9. NURTURE MODULE COMPLIANCE SYSTEM

9.1 Nurture Module Assessment Results

- a) The Nurture Module is based on a scoring system and results in different compliance levels. The calculation of the compliance levels combines the scoring of the IFA inspection/audit with the scoring of the Nurture Module assessment as described below.
- b) The results of the Nurture Module assessment are only displayed in the GLOBALG.A.P. database if a valid GLOBALG.A.P. certificate is at hand.
- c) There is an overall 2-level rating for compliance with the Nurture Module:
 - Certified (Nurture Pass, Silver, or Gold)
 - Open non-conformance/suspension
- d) There is only one compliance level per certificate owner, which applies to all the products in the Nurture Module scope.

In the event of successive Nurture Module assessments within a year (e.g., adding new crops to an existing certificate, unannounced assessments, etc.), the compliance level will be the lowest obtained in any of the assessments carried out during the year.
- e) For Option 2 and Option 1 multisite, the compliance level is established as the result of the "weakest performing" producer group member or production site during the external inspection. This means that if during the inspection of the samples of the producer group members or production sites the "weakest" producer group member or production site achieves the compliance level "Silver," the compliance level of the whole group or multisite can only be "Silver."

9.1.1 Compliance Levels

The following statuses are set based on the results at the day of the assessment:

- a) **Certified – Gold**
 - Nurture Module: 100% Major Musts
 - GLOBALG.A.P. IFA: 100% Major Musts; ≥98% Minor Musts; ≥50% Recommendations
- b) **Certified – Silver:**
 - Nurture Module: 100% Major Musts
 - GLOBALG.A.P. IFA: 100% Major Musts; ≥95% Minor Musts; ≥0% Recommendations
- c) **Certified – Nurture Pass:**

For producers who have non-conformances on the day of the assessment, i.e.:

 - Nurture Module: <100% Major Musts; or
 - GLOBALG.A.P. IFA: <100% Major Musts; or
 - GLOBALG.A.P. IFA: <95% Minor Musts and have solved them implementing corrective actions.
- d) **Open Non-Conformance:**

For producers who were not certified against the Nurture Module and do not close the non-conformances during the time period set (maximum 28 days after the assessment). If the non-conformance detected is not resolved within 3 months, a complete inspection shall be performed before a certificate can be issued.
- e) **Suspended:**

For producers who were certified against the Nurture Module and do not close the non-conformances during the time period set (maximum 28 days after the assessment).

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9.2 Notification of Non-Conformances and Corrective Actions

- a) Whenever an assessor detects a non-conformance against a Major Must control point of the Nurture Module checklist, the CB shall notify this situation to Tesco and the Tesco primary supplier on the day of the assessment or a maximum of 2 working days later.
- b) Major Must non-conformances that are directly related to food safety shall be reported immediately after the assessment.
- c) The CB shall use the official sanction form and follow the instructions written on it to report non-conformances detected. The official sanction form is available on the GLOBALG.A.P. website.
- d) Corrective actions follow the same rules as set in the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations.

9.3 Nurture Certificate Cycle

- a) The Nurture Module certificate may only be issued if the producer has a valid certificate for the IFA standard.
- b) The Nurture Module certificate is not transferable from one legal entity to another.
- c) The Nurture Module certificate cycle is 12 months and shall be harmonized with the cycle of the GLOBALG.A.P. certificate.
- d) In order to align assessment dates with the IFA inspection/audit, producers shall request the CBs to shorten the validity of one of the certificates and to carry out the IFA inspection/audit and Nurture Module assessment before the earlier expiry date. Certificate validities can then be matched, avoiding a gap in the certification of both standards.

Annex II of this document includes additional information for scenarios where validities of GLOBALG.A.P. and Nurture certificates need to be aligned.

9.3.1 Maintenance of Certificate

- a) The registration of the producer with the Nurture Module shall be re-confirmed with the CB annually before the expiry date of the Nurture Module certificate.
- b) The validity of Nurture Module certificates may be extended beyond the 12 months (for a maximum period of 4 months) only if there is a valid reason, which has to be recorded. There are two reasons that are considered to be valid:
 - (i) The CB wants to schedule the on-site assessment after the certificate has expired in order to observe a certain part of the production process because it has not been seen in the previous assessment or is considered to be a high-risk process in terms of product safety, or to be able to see a newly added product or process or a new or particular producer group member.
 - (ii) The CB was not able to conduct the on-site assessment and/or the producer was not able to receive the CB assessment due to circumstances beyond its control (force majeure) (e.g., natural disaster, political instability in the region, epidemic, or unavailability of the producer due to medical reasons) as described by the rules in the GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations.

Resource constraints are not a valid reason.

9.4 Cancellation Regarding the Conformance with the Nurture Module

- a) A cancellation of the contract between the CB and the producer shall be issued if:
 - (i) The CB finds evidence of fraud and/or lack of trust to comply with the Nurture Module requirements
 - (ii) There is a contractual non-conformance.

The CB may report findings of serious fraud or breaches of legal requirements/crimes detected to the NGC.

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- b) A suspension of the contract will result in the total prohibition (all products, all sites) of the use of the Nurture Module certificate and any communication that may be linked to the Nurture Module.
- c) A producer who has received a cancellation shall not be accepted for the Nurture Module for a period of 12 months after the date of suspension.
- d) In this case, the basic IFA certification may also be affected, depending on the reason for the suspension.
- e) If a producer is delisted (i.e., the producer is no longer is authorized to supply products to Tesco), the Tesco primary supplier shall inform the relevant CB, who shall cancel the Nurture Module certificate and any upcoming assessments (e.g., surveillance). The CB shall inform the producer for the reason for the cancellation.

9.5 Notification and Appeals

The producer shall either resolve the non-conformances communicated or appeal to the CB in writing against the non-conformances, explaining the reasons for the appeal.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

The results of the assessment process of the registered producer/producer group will be available to the GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat, Tesco plc, the Tesco primary suppliers, and the CB. Any other party requiring information on the Nurture Module assessment process concerning a producer is required to obtain the written consent from the said producer.

In all other respects, the scheme management and its authorized agents will treat in confidence all information concerning an applicant obtained during the course of the assessment process other than that which is in the public domain or unless otherwise required to do so by law.

The scheme management will, where appropriate, comply with and use all reasonable endeavours to ensure compliance by its authorized agents with the requirements of the UK Data Protection Act 1998 affecting any information held or stored concerning the producers and their activities.

11. DISCLAIMER

Under no circumstances shall Tesco, the scheme management, or its appointed agents be liable for any losses, damages, charges, costs, or expenses of whatever nature, including consequential loss which any producer may suffer or incur by reason of, or arising directly or indirectly from, the activities of the add-on, save to the extent that such losses, damage charges, costs, and/or expenses may arise as a result of finally and judicially determined gross negligence or willful default of such person.

These scheme rules are subject to English Law and any litigation, claims, or judicial actions will be judged in the courts of England.

If any competent authority considers any of the scheme rules to be unreasonable, then that individual regulation will be modified in order to be reasonable, but no other part of the scheme rules will be affected.

12. ABBREVIATIONS AND DEFINITION OF TERMS

12.1 Abbreviations

These abbreviations apply to this and all other Nurture Module-related documents:

CB	Certification Body
CoC	Chain of Custody
GGN	GLOBALG.A.P. Number
GLN	Global Location Number
IHT	In-house trainer
NGC	Nurture Governance Committee
PHU	Product Handling Unit
QMS	Quality Management System

12.2 Definitions

All definitions follow the GLOBALG.A.P. definitions (Annex I.4 to the current GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations) unless otherwise specified in the Nurture Module rules.

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ANNEX I.1 TRANSITION TO NURTURE MODULE VERSION 11

The transition of producers to the Nurture Module version 11 began on 1 January 2017. The table below explains what producers outside the UK and supplying to Tesco will be assessed against.

Product	Product type supplied to Tesco	Standard
Fruit and Vegetables	Conventional only	FA standard for Fruit and Vegetables plus Nurture Module
	Conventional and organic	IFA standard for Fruit and Vegetables plus Nurture Module
	Organic only	IFA standard for Fruit and Vegetables IFA standard for Fruit and Vegetables plus Nurture Module
Flowers and Ornamentals	N/A	IFA standard for Fruit and Vegetables plus Nurture Module
		IFA standard for Flowers and Ornamentals

UK Producers may choose between any of these 2 options until further notice:

- Red Tractor Assurance
- IFA standard version 5 and Nurture Module version 11

ANNEX I.2 ALIGNMENT OF GLOBALG.A.P. AND NURTURE CERTIFICATES

With the introduction of the Nurture Module as an add-on to IFA certification, there may be a need to align the validity of Nurture Module and GLOBALG.A.P. certificates, which until now could have different “Valid from” and “Valid to” dates because the inspection/audit and assessment were done in different moments during the year.

Producers seeking Nurture Module certification for the first time may also need to add the Nurture Module certification to an existing GLOBALG.A.P. certificate.

The following tries to advise how to manage different scenarios around the assessment timing and certificate validity.

1. Aligning Validities of GLOBALG.A.P. and Nurture Module Certificates

The rules for third-party assessments set in this document mean that:

- i. The Nurture Module assessment can only be performed **at the same time** as the IFA version 5 inspection/audit.
- ii. When the combined IFA-Nurture Module assessment is performed, both certificates may be issued with the same cycle (“Valid from”–“Valid to” dates).

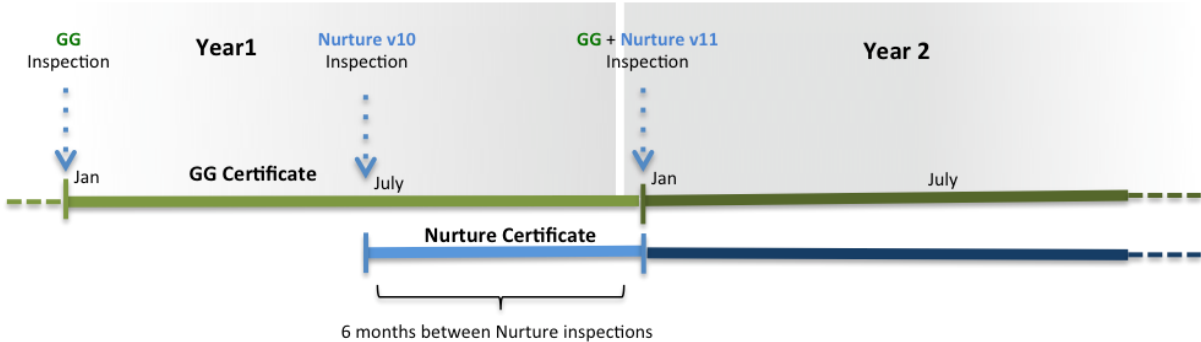
The information described below covers some common scenarios and complements the abovementioned rules.

2. Option 1 Producers without QMS:

Individual producers without QMS who are already certified against GLOBALG.A.P. IFA or Nurture Module version 10 and seek certification against IFA version 5 and Nurture Module version 11:

- i. May add the Nurture Module when renewing their GLOBALG.A.P. certificate at the end of the cycle.

The Nurture Module version 11 certificate will supersede any Nurture Module version 10 certificate the producer might have.



To align the validities, the CB shall enter the “Valid from” date of the next GLOBALG.A.P. certificate as “Date of certification decision” for Nurture in the GLOBALG.A.P. database, which will then be taken as the “Valid from” date for Nurture Module certificate. This can only be done on the actual “Valid from” date or later;

or

- ii. May add IFA when renewing their Nurture Module certificate at the end of the cycle.

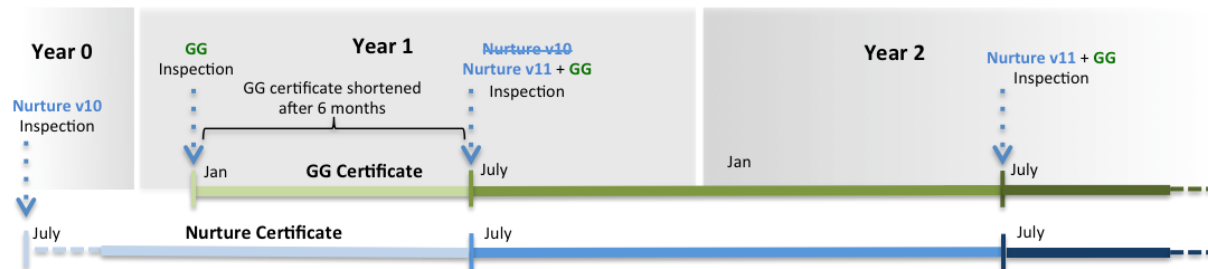
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If the producer was already certified against the IFA standard, it is necessary to shorten the validity of that certificate in order to align validity with the Nurture Module one.



The validity of the GLOBALG.A.P. certificate may be amended by the CB by changing the “Valid to” date to the date when the Nurture Module certificate expires

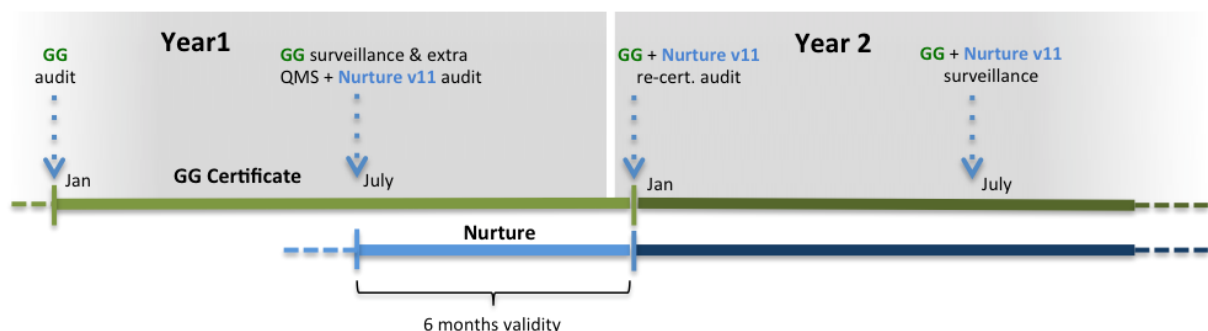
3. Option 2 Producer Groups and Option 1 Multisite Producers with QMS:

Multisite individual producers with a QMS or producer groups who are already certified against the IFA standard or the Nurture Module version 10 and seek the certification against the IFA standard version 5 and Nurture version 11:

- i. May add the Nurture Module when renewing their GLOBALG.A.P. certificate at the end of the cycle; or
- ii. May add IFA when renewing their Nurture Module certificate at the end of the cycle; or
- iii. In the GLOBALG.A.P. system, certified producer groups and individual multisite producers with QMS receive two audits per year: (re-)certification audit at the end of the certificate cycle and surveillance audit during that cycle.

Surveillance audits are of the same scope as the (re-)certification audits (complete IFA checklist) but normally without audit of QMS and packhouse.

A way of introducing the Nurture Module between GLOBALG.A.P. certification audits is to add the Nurture Module assessment during the IFA surveillance audit to producer group members, provided the QMS requirements relevant to the production of crops intended for Nurture certification are also assessed for compliance (e.g., plant protection product list, product traceability and segregation, internal assessments). The Nurture Module certificate should be issued with the same “Valid to” date as the GLOBALG.A.P. certificate.



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This is only possible with surveillance audits conducted against the IFA standard version 5.

IFA inspection/audits and Nurture Module assessments shall thereafter follow the process described in GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations part I 5.2. Both standards shall be assessed together in all re-certification and surveillance assessments to Nurture Module producers (i.e., two CB visits every year to assess different samples of producers).

- iv. For initial Nurture Module assessments, at least the square root of the Nurture Module producers shall be inspected. This might mean an increase in the number of the producers to be inspected in the IFA surveillance and re-certification inspections.
- v. For Nurture Module re-certifications (transition from version 10 to version 11), the Nurture Module certificate may be issued after the successful inspection of the 50% of the square root of Nurture Module producers in the producer group, provided there are no non-conformances in the QMS audit and the producer inspections (see GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations 5.2.3.d)).

4. Multiple Harvest Windows within a Year:

When the producer grows products whose harvest seasons do not coincide in time:

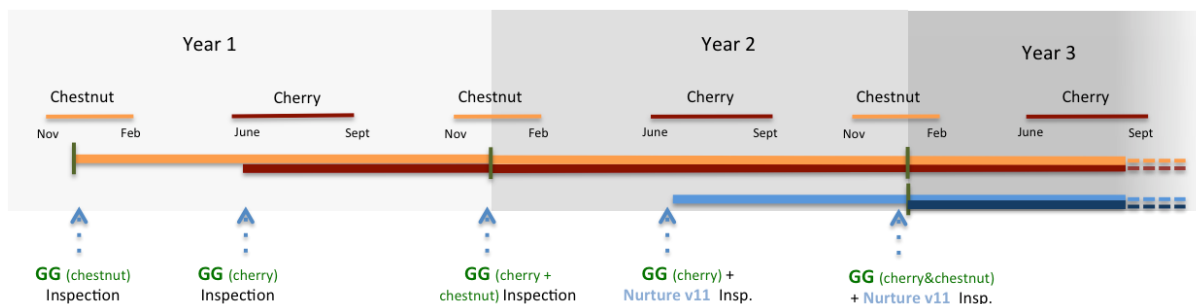
- i. Producers seeking Nurture Module certification for a new product may only add it to a Nurture Module certificate after its entire production process has been completely checked (i.e., all control points are assessed, same as for GLOBALG.A.P. products as indicated in GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations part I 5.3.1.c)).
- ii. Each product intended for Nurture Module certification shall be assessed during harvest in the first year of their certification.
- iii. It is not necessary to conduct multiple visits during the different harvest windows if the Nurture Module certificate for those products is being renewed.
- iv. Re-certification assessments shall take place when at least one product intended for Nurture Module certification is being harvested/handled.
- v. Surveillance assessments shall never take place when there is no product intended for Nurture Module certification being harvested/handled.
- vi. The CB shall make sure that all Nurture Module certified products are inspected during harvest within a 4-year cycle.
- vii. There are exceptions to this assessment taking place during harvest, such as when there is a very short harvest/handling window.

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Example 1: An individual producer grows chestnut (harvest window between November and February) and cherries (harvest window between June and September).



Year 1: The producer seeks IFA certification only, so the CB conducts a first visit during the harvest of chestnut and issues the certificate for this product for one year in year 1.

During that year, a second visit to inspect cherry production during harvest time allows adding cherries to the certificate for chestnuts, valid until November.

Year 2: The CB conducts the inspection for chestnut and cherry production during the harvest of chestnuts to renew the GLOBALG.A.P. certificate of both crops.

Later that year, the producer decides to obtain Nurture Module certification for both crops.

Because the harvest of chestnuts has ended, the producer must wait until the harvest of cherries, when his production process will be assessed against the Nurture Module version 11 and inspected against the IFA standard to obtain a Nurture Module certificate for cherries. Chestnut production cannot be certified until being assessed against the Nurture Module during harvest.

Year 3: The CB will assess the production of cherries and chestnuts against the IFA standard and the Nurture Module version 11 during the harvest of chestnuts (November). The GLOBALG.A.P. and Nurture Module certificates will be issued for chestnuts and cherries with 1-year validity, until November in year 4.

It is not mandatory to conduct a surveillance inspection during the harvest of cherries to maintain the certificate.

- viii. However, it may not be necessary to conduct a new physical visit to the farm to inspect harvest activities of a new crop if a similar crop has already been assessed during harvest and added to the certificate (e.g., adding plums to a certificate that already includes peaches).

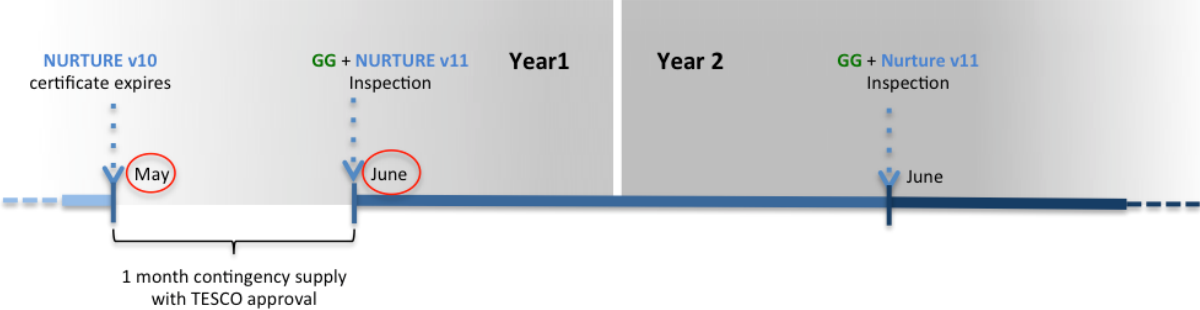
*Crop groups are defined based on similarities in production and harvest processes and their risks (See GLOBALG.A.P. Crops rules 4.1).

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5. Expiration of Nurture Version 10 Certificates

- i. Alternatively, in exceptional circumstances, if a Nurture Module version 10 certificate is due to expire just a month prior to the inspection/audit due date for the IFA standard version 5, on a case-by-case basis with prior permission from Tesco, an exemption may be permitted whereby Tesco's requirements for contingency suppliers may be followed. For more information, please contact your technical manager at Tesco.



ANNEX I.3 NURTURE MODULE CERTIFICATE TEMPLATE



GGN: xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Registration number of producer/producer group (from CB) xxxxxxxx¹



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**CERTIFICATE
XX₃ LEVEL**

According to Nurture Module
version XX⁴

Option X

Issued to

Producer group/producer
Company name, address

Country of production

The annex contains details of the producers, production sites, and product handling units that are included in the scope of this certificate.⁵

The certification body [Company Name] declares that the production of the products mentioned on this certificate has been found to be compliant in accordance with:

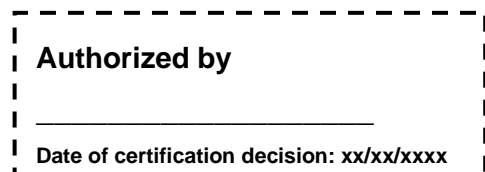
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Product ⁷	GLOBALG.A.P. product certificate number ⁸	Further columns scope, sub-scope or product specific (description see below) ⁹	Number of producers/production sites ¹⁰	Parallel production	Parallel ownership

Date of issue (printing date of certificate): xx/xx/xxxx

Valid from: xx/xx/xxxx

Valid to: xx/xx/xxxx



The current status of this certificate is always displayed at: <http://www.globalgap.org/search>

CB contact data

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Company name, address (incl. e-mail)

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Date of issue: xx/xx/xxxx²⁰

Producer Group Members (Option 2 or 4)

GGN or GLN	Producer name and address	Product(s)	Product handling	Parallel production	Parallel ownership

Production Sites (Option 1 and 3)

Site name and address	Product(s)	Parallel production

Product Handling Units (PHUs)

GGN or GLN	PHU name and address ^s	Product(s)	Parallel ownership

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Notes

The certificate *shall be in English*. A second language may be added in the certificate.

This certificate template is based on the GLOBALG.A.P. certificate template. Please refer to GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations for information on fields not explained in this document but which are common to both templates.

- 1 Optional: The registration number of a producer or producer group, which is assigned by the CB or from the benchmarked scheme, *may* appear on all certificates. It consists of the term "CB-Short" and a number with exactly one space character in between (e.g., CB-Short xxxxxxxxxxx).
- 2 The logo of the add-on.
- 3 The compliance level shall be identified: Gold Level/Silver Level/Nurture Pass Level
- 4 Version: Please enter the applicable version of the Nurture Module.
- 5 Applicable only if any of the following is true:
 - a) The certificate holder is a producer group (Option 2). All producer group members in the Nurture Module scope shall be listed in the annex.
 - b) Product handling* or packing is included in the scope of the certificate. If the address is different, all product packing and handling unit(s) shall be listed in the annex.
 - c) The certificate refers to an Option 1 multisite certificate. All sites of the multisite operation shall be listed in the annex.
 - d) The certificate holder with multiple sites has registered for parallel production/ownership. All production sites and product packing and handling units with certified products shall be listed in the annex.
- 6 The applicable Nurture Module control points and compliance criteria version.
- 7 Certified product(s) shall always be listed according to the GLOBALG.A.P. product list. More detailed information *may* be included in brackets (e.g., in case of parallel production, variety (banana – cavendish)). For the sub-scope of Flowers and Ornamentals, the certified species shall always be included in this column (e.g., indoor grown flowers – roses).
- 8 The GLOBALG.A.P. product certificate number shall be printed on the paper certificate. It is a reference code for the certificate in the GLOBALG.A.P. database per product and certificate cycle. The GLOBALG.A.P. product certificate number is generated automatically in the system and consists of 5 digits, 5 letters, and a suffix (#####-ABCDE-####). All changes to the certificate in a given certificate cycle are reflected in the suffix.
- 9 The columns and corresponding attributes linked to the products in the table are scope, sub-scope, or product specific.

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Product	GLOBALG.A.P. product certificate number	Harvest included	Product handling included	Number of producers/production sites	Parallel production	Parallel ownership

Notes:

Harvest included: If produce handling is included, this data field (column) can be omitted.

Note: If harvest is excluded, product handling is not applicable for the given product.

*Product handling: Enter "no" if no product handling is included. If product handling is included, indicate whether it takes place in-field ("in-field") or in a facility ("facility") or both ("in-field + facility").

Quantity (voluntary): Area (in ha) may be included per product. If quantity (in ha) is displayed, "non-covered" and "covered" shall be segregated.

¹⁰ In the case of producer groups (Option 2), enter the number of approved producers, which are listed in the annex. In case of Option 1 multisite producers, enter the number of registered production sites, which are listed in the annex. ^[1]_[SEP]

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ANNEX I.4 DATA ACCESS RULES

These are the GLOBALG.A.P. data access rules as set for the Nurture Module. More details (e.g., on the definition of the general data access groups like GLOBALG.A.P. staff, CBs) are available in "GLOBALG.A.P. Data Access Rules".

This document is normative and sets out the rules to which different user groups of the GLOBALG.A.P. database have access to producer- and product-related data that is collected during the IFA inspections/audits and Nurture Module assessments.

The data access group "Nurture Module Observer" always includes Tesco plc. Nurture Module Observers are also Tesco primary suppliers. Tesco primary suppliers have access to the checklist data only from producers who authorized so by declaring their Tesco primary supplier's O-Key to be entered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database, except Tesco, who have access to all producer checklists. If a producer gives a specific Nurture Module Observer company access to their checklist, this Nurture Module Observer will automatically have access to all assessment data that is filled in on the checklist.

Important:

- All data fields are mandatory and must be completed in the checklist as well as in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.
- The below listed data access rules only apply for information that is registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.
- Data entry fields that are marked with a "*" are currently only available in the checklist but will be available and obligatory in the GLOBALG.A.P. database in the future.

The "X" marks that the data is visible to users assigned to the respective data access group.

1. General Visibility of the Nurture Module in the GLOBALG.A.P. Database

The Nurture Module is **not** visible to the public.

	Data Access Groups			
	GLOBALG.A.P. staff	Certification body	Nurture Module Observer	Public
Standard visibility – Nurture Module	X	X	X	

2. Producer data

The information listed below is linked to the following legal entities that are registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database:

- Option 1 individual producer
- Option 1 multisite producer
- Option 2 producer group (legal entity)
- Option 2 producer group members (legal entities)

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	Data Access Groups			
	GLOBALG.A.P. staff	Certification body	Nurture Module Observer	Public
COMPANY INFORMATION				
Company name	X	X	X	
Company address ¹	X	X	X	
Company city	X	X	X	
Company country	X	X	X	
Company contact information ²	X	X	X	
GGN/GLN	X	X	X	
Previous GGN	X	X	X	
Legal registration per country*	X	X	X	
Location ³	X	X	X	
CB registration number ⁴	X	X	X	
CONTACT PERSON (RESPONSIBLE FOR LEGAL ENTITY)				
Contact name ⁵	X	X		
Contact information ²	X	X		
PRODUCT HANDLING UNIT/SITE INFORMATION*				
Name of the product handling facility/sites	X	X	X	
PHU/site address ⁶	X	X	X	
PHU/site contact information ²	X	X	X	
Sub-GLN(s)	X	X	X	
Location ³	X	X	X	
Products per PHU/site	X	X	X	

Notes

- ¹ Company address includes street address (or information available to describe the producer/company location), postal address, postal code, federal state.
- ² Contact information includes (if available) phone number, fax number, e-mail address.
- ³ Location includes northern/southern latitude + western/eastern longitude.
- ⁴ Number assigned by the CB to the producer
- ⁵ Contact name includes title, first name, and last name.
- ⁶ PHU/site contact address includes street address (or information available to describe the site/PHU location), postal address, postal code, city, and country.

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3. Product-Related Data

Product data is specific per product and only visible if the product is in an active status (e.g., "accepted").

	Data access groups			
	GLOBALG.A.P. staff	Certification body	Nurture Module Observer	Public
Product	X	X	X	
Product status	X	X	X	
Certification option	X	X	X	
For producer groups: Number of producer group members	X	X	X	
Certificate validity date	X	X	X	
Certification body	X	X	X	
GLOBALG.A.P. certificate number	X	X	X	
Countries of destination	X	X	X	
Quantity data	X	X	X	
Product attributes ¹	X	X	X	
Certification data ²	X	X	X	
Nurture Module checklist ³	X	X	Important: The checklist is not visible to all Nurture Module Observer companies, only to those ones authorized by the producer and Tesco	

Notes

- Product attributes are additional information linked to a product in an active status. Product attributes of Nurture Module: parallel production, parallel ownership, exclusion/inclusion of harvest, exclusion/inclusion of produce handling, status of the Nurture certification (Gold/Silver).
- Data includes "Valid from" date of the certification and date of certification decision.
- Inspection/audit report details (checklist) linked to the certificate.

ANNEX II NURTURE MODULE LOGO USE RULES

1. SPECIFICATIONS

- (i) Tesco is the owner of the Nurture Logo, which is registered in the UK under registration 2505115. Full details can be found here: <https://trademarks.ipo.gov.uk/ipo-tmcase/page/Results/1/UK00002505115>. Tesco is the owner of the “Nurture” trademark (i.e., the word “Nurture” and the Nurture Logo, collectively the “Nurture trademark”).
- (ii) Whilst the Nurture Logo is not permitted to be used on finished product packaging, it may be used under other circumstances with written approval from Tesco. The producer/Tesco primary supplier/CB shall only use the trademark in the manner provided by Tesco and shall not alter, modify, or distort it in any way. The Nurture trademark shall always be obtained from the Brand Design team at Tesco to ensure it contains the exact corporate colour and format. Suppliers should contact their Tesco technical contact, and CBs should contact the GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat.
- (iii) The Nurture Logo:



- (iv) Usage of the Nurture Logo is not transferable to third parties. The producer/Tesco primary supplier/CB shall have a written procedure defining the conditions of use of the Nurture Logo that includes the relevant requirements of this document. The use of the Nurture Logo shall be controlled and a register maintained of the producers/CBs using the Nurture Logo and where the Nurture Logo is in use. Users of the Nurture Logo must indicate that it is a trademark by using the ™ symbol next to it.

2. PRODUCERS AND TESCO PRIMARY SUPPLIERS

- (i) Certification against the requirements of the Nurture Module in its current version entitles the producer/Tesco primary supplier to distribute and market their products under the trademark only to the extent that these products have been registered with a Tesco-approved CB and GLOBALG.A.P. and are produced, handled, or traded in a production site or location registered with the CB and GLOBALG.A.P. and are in full compliance with the requirements of the Nurture Module.
- (ii) Producers and Tesco primary suppliers with Nurture Module certification may use the Nurture trademark in business-to-business communication, on site stationery and marketing materials, and for traceability, segregation, or identification purposes in the supply chain. Producers and Tesco primary suppliers may use the Nurture trademark on pallets that contain only Nurture Module assessed products and that will not appear at the point of sale. The producer/Tesco primary supplier shall indicate when using the trademark that it is a registered trademark. The producer and Tesco primary supplier shall only use the trademark in connection with products complying to the requirements of the Nurture Module.
- (iii) The Nurture trademark shall not appear on the product or consumer packaging at the point of sale. Producers and Tesco primary suppliers shall not use the Nurture trademark on “public-facing” materials, including websites and company signage.

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- (iv) Producers and Tesco primary suppliers shall no longer use the Nurture Logo if they stop supplying Tesco or are no longer Nurture Module certified because of certificate expiry, withdrawal, or suspension. In addition, failure to comply with the obligations of logo usage, incurring a sanction, or termination of membership shall lead to a temporary or permanent withdrawal of the right of use of the logo.

3. CERTIFICATION BODIES

- (i) Nurture Module approved CBs may use the Nurture trademark in promotional material directly linked to their Nurture Module assessment activities, on their websites, in business-to-business communication, and on the Nurture Module certificates they issue. The CB shall indicate when using the trademark that it is a registered trademark.
- (ii) CBs shall no longer use the Nurture Logo if they are no longer approved to carry out Nurture Module assessments.

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170929_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_1_en	170101_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_0_en	29.09.2017	Changes to adapt the Scheme Rules to the existence of the new CB Rules & Integrity Programme document, and to the introduction of clarifications made during the validity of TN v11.0 like a new compliance level (Nurture Pass), or the alignment of GLOBALG.A.P. and TN certificates. Inclusion of the TN certificate template and the Data Access Rules as Annexes.
180910_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_2_en	170929_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_1_en	10.09.2018	Changes regarding the producer confirmation form to align the Scheme Rules with the updated producer confirmation procedure defined in the CB Rules & Integrity Programme. Update of some definitions. Alignment of several rules to IFA general regulations. Minor formatting and spelling corrections Amendment of Data Access Rules
190315_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_2-1_en	180910_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_2_en	15.03.2019	Change in 8.2.6 f) to keep the personal information anonymous.
2101014_Nurture_Module_Scheme_Rules_V_11_2-2_en	190315_Nurture-Scheme_Rules-V_11_2-1_en	04.01.2021	Spelling changed to "Nurture" Minor formatting and spelling changes Removed no longer relevant reference to TN10 5. Reference to old Nurture Module confirmation process removed 5. e) Added reference to Nurture Module Guidelines 5. Added clarification of applicability of GLOBALG.A.P. general regulations 6. Added clauses b), c), and d) as clarifications on applicability of Nurture Module certification 6.3 Added new Nurture Module producer confirmation process 8.2.6 Amended according to new Nurture Module checklist upload requirements 9.1 e) Added clarification for Option 1 with QMS Nurture Module level calculation 9.2 b) Requirement for formal notification on food safety non-conformances added 9.3.1 b) Removed 9.4 e) Added rule for delisted producers

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New Document	Replaced Document	Date of Publication	Description of Modifications
			Annex I.1 Table updated Annex I.2 1 i. Second half of point deleted as it contradicts first half. Annex I.3 Updated wording on the paper certificate template Annex I.4 2. Producer address also visible to Nurture Module Observers. Minor improvements in wording. Annex II Added new Nurture Module Logo use rules

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