Seal for non-GMO food and animal feed products VLOG certification product sheet



With VLOG certification you can prove the quality of your food and animal feed with the respective "Ohne GenTechnik" (non-GMO) and/or "VLOG geprüft" (VLOG tested) seals. In doing so, you meet the growing demand for a more conscious and sustainable use of the earth's resources and strengthen the positive image of your company.

#### **Objective of VLOG certification**

The demand for food that has not been produced using genetic engineering is increasing all the time. Increasing numbers of consumers attach importance to conscious and environmentally friendly production of food and animal feed.

To enable consumers to distinguish better between genetically modified and non-genetically modified foods, the German Federal Government has created the trademark-protected "Ohne Gentechnik" (non-GMO) seal for foods, for which the German Association Food without Genetic Engineering (Verband für Lebensmitteln ohne Gentechnik, VLOG) has been given responsibility. For animal feed, the trademark-protected "VLOG geprüft" (VLOG tested) seal has been created. The aim is to create transparency and safety for consumers so as to ensure comprehensive consumer protection.

#### Who is eligible for certification?

Our VLOG certification is aimed at companies in the animal feed or food industry who want to credibly demonstrate to their consumers and partners that their products are, as far as possible, non-GMO with the voluntary use of the VLOG logo.

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#### Your benefits from certification according to the VLOG standard

- Improve your company's image through our voluntary certification
- Secure the trust of your customers and partners
- Obtain credible proof from us as neutral auditors that your company does not use genetically-modified products, as far as possible
- Remain competitive on the market
- Enter new markets that now require VLOG certification.

### **Requirements for successful certification**

The Association Food without Genetic Engineering places the following requirements on companies that wish to obtain certification according to the VLOG standard and, thereby, the seal:

- Up-to-date documentation concerning your business with the relevant operational data
- Crisis management for dealing with infringements and genetically modified organisms (GMOs)
- Holistic and current risk management
- Traceability of products and animals
- System for separating VLOG products and other products

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- Performance of GMO analyses and sampling (depending on the risk and field of activity)
- Regular staff training
- Documentation and filing of documents

#### The VLOG certification procedure

#### 1. Information

Our experts hold information meetings

#### 2. Certification audit

**Company description with relevant data** On-site certification with documents review (specifications, formulations, supplier certificates, etc.) and inspection Crisis management for infringements and GMOs After successfully completing the certification process, you **Comprehensive risk management** will receive your certificate. This certificate is valid until the end of the following year. The seal will be issued to you by VLOG as soon as you have received our supporting documents and a VLOG ID **Regular employee training** A regular audit in the form of a recertification audit must be carried out before the end of the following year **Documentation and storage of records** animal feed products according to the VLOG standard by our Traceability of goods and animals Find out more! **Contact us! GMO** analyses and sampling

#### 3. Audit report and assessment

Documentation of the audit and assessment

#### 4. Certificate

#### 5. Recertification

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# **Requirements** for successful **Certification according to VLOG**







#### Other services you can benefit from

You can also have other quality, environmental and safety management systems certified by us, for example, in accordance with ISO 22000, IFS Food, GMP+ and SeedGuard, as well as combinations of the above. Our wide-ranging portfolio offers you the right certification! The DEKRA Group also offers you the following services:

- Assessments regarding compliance with specific rules
- Personal certifications
- Product tests and certification

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#### **Excellence – the DEKRA seal**

DEKRA Sertifizieri Add an exclamation mark that stands for the highest quality and reliability – across all industries and internationally. The DEKRA seal is an excellent way to promote your company's image, a marketing tool and a way to stand out from the competition. In this way, you can show your customers and business partners that your service is worth their time and money. We will be happy to assist you.

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