

Important Points related to performing of producer sites internal inspections within the Producer Group

1. Clause 5.2.8.2 provides requirements of producer and production location inspections members of the Producer Group.

2. Frequency:

At least one inspection per crop cycle (one in growing season of each crop) shall be carried out by the internal inspector and will be documented. All the members to be covered .

3. Competency of Internal Inspector

- Refer to Inspector Qualification Matrix.
- Internal inspections become void, if the internal inspections are conducted without meeting the above requirements.

4. Use of Internal or External inspectors

- In case, the Group does not have the qualified internal inspectors then it can engage the external inspectors meeting the above requirements.

5. Language

- Internal inspector shall have working language skills in the corresponding native/working Language. This shall include locally used translator if necessary.

6. Training

It is recommended that five kinds of training be required before beginning supervised inspection work:

- Education in the scope
- General auditor training
- Training on VCSMPP stanadrd

7. Conflict of Interest

- Internal inspectors are not allowed to audit their own work or a producer they have consulted in the last two years.

8. Inspection Report Format

- Findings to be reported in the Inspection Report .
- The inspection will be carried out in presence of the member or his representative and must include a visit of the whole farm, storage of inputs, harvested products, post harvest handling etc
- In case of severe non-compliance, the results will be reported immediately to the Management Representative manager and all measures will be taken according to the internal sanction procedures

9. Submission of Reports:

- All the inspection reports to be submitted by the internal Inspectors to the Management Representative

Note:

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