

RAINFOREST ALLIANCE POLICY

Fee Catalogue for Certification Bodies

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INTRODUCTION

The Rainforest Fee Catalogue describes the fees applicable to Certification Bodies according to Section 1.6, Assurances Costs, of the Rules for Certification Bodies.

1. REGULAR FEES

- 1.1 The Rainforest Fee Catalogue describes the fees applicable to Certification Bodies according to the Rules for Certification Bodies, Section 1.6, Assurances cost.

Type of Fee	Fee (in U.S. Dollars)
Base Fee	2,000.00
Fee per country with activity	200.00
Fee per certificate issued or renewed	25.00

- 1.2 The base fee and the fee per country with activity must be paid yearly, starting on January 2022.
- 1.3 The fee per certificate issued does not apply to the one-year validity certificates issued during the “transition year”.
- 1.4 The fee per country with activity only applies in countries where the CB has five or more valid certificates issued by every December 31st.
- 1.5 Particular fees must be paid by the CB on a yearly basis, by every February 28th, the latest.

2. PARTICULAR FEES

- 2.1 These fees cover non-regular costs linked to scope extension requests and lifting of sanctions, as described in the table below.

Type of Fee	Fee (in U.S. Dollars)
Lifting a sanction through an office or field audit. <i>Daily fee, plus travel costs.</i>	1,000.00
Investigation audits, either desk or on-site. <i>Daily fee, plus travel costs.</i>	1,000.00
Training. <i>Daily fee, plus travel costs, when applicable.</i>	1,000.00
CB Application Assessment (New CBs)	To be defined
Scope extension assessment for farm or supply chain <i>Daily fee, plus travel costs, when applicable.</i>	1,000.00
Scope extension assessment for new countries <i>This is a fixed cost per new country, not a cost per day.</i>	200.00

- 2.2 Rainforest Alliance may charge the CB the abovementioned fees for audits to lift a warning and will charge fees for audits destined to lifting a yellow or red card. The number of audits and the audit duration will be determined by Rainforest Alliance depending on the nature and number of nonconformities that led to the sanction decision.



- 2.3 Investigation audit fees will be invoiced after the release of the final audit report and after confirming there is evidence of misconduct or poor performances by the CB, that lead to the investigation.
- 2.4 The 'training fees' in this catalogue are not the fees for the regular CB trainings offered by the Rainforest Alliance. The trainings covered in this catalogue are either specifically requested by one CB or those compulsory trainings destined to improve one certification body's performance on a particular area, that Rainforest Alliance considers necessary as a condition to lift a sanction.
- 2.5 Particular fees must be paid in full and in advance, before the specific intervention is carried out.