

# RAINFOREST ALLIANCE POLICY:

## **EUDR Data Sharing Policy**

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Cocoa, Coffee		Supply Chain and Farm Certificate Holders		

<b>Applicable to:</b>
Supply Chain and Farm certificate Holders with Cocoa and/or Coffee in their scope.

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## Introduction

The European Union (EU) has introduced the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), which includes requirements on deforestation for a range of products that are imported into the EU. The requirements of the EUDR need to be met by December 30, 2024. For products Rainforest Alliance certifies, the EUDR currently impacts cocoa and coffee.

The Rainforest Alliance has set up systems to support producers and supply chain actors to meet the requirements of the EUDR. In addition to the Rainforest Alliance's standard requirements that already align with the EUDR, four self-selected requirements have been introduced to cover aspects of the EUDR that were not fully aligned. These requirements are only applicable to Farm Certificate Holders.

Certified farms can choose to implement these additional requirements and have these covered in their audits to support actors further down their supply chains to comply with the EUDR and continue selling their products on the EU market.

Under the regulation, companies may use certification schemes like Rainforest Alliance certification to support the collection of information (such as geolocation) and the risk assessment as part of their due diligence obligations. In this policy, the conditions for sharing and using these data are outlined.

## Farm Certificate Holders

Farm Certificate Holders (CH) that want to provide their (direct and indirect) supply chain partners with information to support the supply chain partners' compliance with EUDR, must self-select the RA EUDR requirements package, as set forth in the Policy "Alignment with the European Union Deforestation Regulations (EUDR)".

This package is available to coffee and cocoa certificate holders.

By self-selecting the EUDR package, Farm CHs agree that the Rainforest Alliance is permitted to:

- Check the quality of their geodata against the requirements of the EUDR self-selected requirements.
- Share their
  - Geodata,
  - Deforestation risk assessment, and
  - Compliance information regarding the EUDR self-selected requirements with (direct and indirect) buyers in their supply chain according to transactions in MultiTrace.



## Supply Chain Certificate Holders

Supply Chain Certificate Holders (CH) may request access to geodata, deforestation risk assessments, and compliance information regarding EUDR self-selected requirements, of farm certificate holders who have agreed to share this data with their buyers. Supply Chain CHs may only use this data for purposes of complying with the EUDR.

Rainforest Alliance is not liable or responsible for the accuracy of geodata. Supply Chain CHs remain solely responsible for their own compliance obligations under the EUDR, including correct geolocation and legality information.

Supply Chain CHs who access this information agree to store this data confidentially and only share it on the EU's information system, in compliance with the EUDR.