

# **Update On MSPO Traceability System**

**MSPO TRACE** 

### 1) Mandatory to Fill New Entity Details Update

The MSPO Trace system has been upgraded to address stakeholders' requests, leading to the introduction of new fields. These now entail providing the lot number (s), mukim, city/district of the entity and their contact details, including name, email address, and contact number. It is now compulsory for Certification Bodies to promptly fill in these details. MSPO has set a one-month deadline, from 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 until 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024, for compliance with this requirement. ACBs can raise a minor NC if the entity does not provide the required data.

# 2) Monthly Declaration CPO/PK Limitation

In the monthly certified CPO and PK production volume tab declaration, it is mandatory to report the volume of MSPO certified CPO and PK produced by the mill. Even if there is no demand from buyers for MSPO certified products, you must still report this production volume. Failure to do so may result in rejection by the system. However, if all your suppliers are noncertified MSPO, you can enter a zero (0) volume, which the system will accept.

The production volume for certified CPO and PK in MSPO Trace should be calculated based on the total certified FFB received weight declared for the month, times by the average Oil Extraction Rate (OER) of the month. It is important to note that this volume is specifically for reporting in MSPO Trace and may not align with the company's internal accounting system.



The implementation of this circular has commenced immediately, and it is mandatory for all Accredited Certification Bodies, and Palm Oil Mills to comply with its directives.

#### **MSPOTS**

### 3. Notification on MSPO Supply Chain Certification Standard (SCCS)

As the supply chain requirements have been incorporated into the MS2530:2022 standard (Part 4 series), the current standalone MSPO SCCS 2018 certification standard will no longer be required upon transition to the MS2530:2022. During the transition period (1 July 2023 to 31 December 2024), entities that have been certified with the standalone MSPO SCCS 2018 standard will have the option either to continue or discontinue the certification. Any such discontinuation shall be reported to the respective Accredited Certification Bodies (ACBs), who will then need to notify MSPO for record-keeping purposes.

### 4. Abolishment of the "Delayed" Status in MSPO TS

The "Delayed" status in the MSPO Trace system indicates that the audit status of entities has not been reported in accordance with the requirements outlined in the circular Use of MSPO Trace as Mandatory Traceability System. However, MSPO will remove this indicator from the MSPO TS system and instead suspend entities that exceed the timeframe set by MSPO. If this requirement is not met, MSPO will file an official complaint to Standards Malaysia regarding the ACBs' failure to comply within the given timeframe. If an entity requires an audit after the scheduled surveillance date, ACBs can request an extension date from MSPO, providing a strong justification. This extension is limited to a maximum of 3 months, subject to prior approval by the CSU of MSPO.



### 5. Organized Smallholders Data

At the request of MPOB's Extension Services Unit (ESU) for a comprehensive list of organized smallholder data, MSPO has mandated that all ACBs auditing organized smallholders must collect a complete list of data for those certified under the seven agencies: FELDA, FELCRA, RISDA, SALCRA, LKTS, PKEINPK, and SLDB. The required data includes the names of organized smallholders, lot numbers, mukim, district, state, certified area, planted area, and GPS locations. This data collection period will run from 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 until 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025. ACBs may issue a minor NC if the entity fails to provide the required data as specified in this circular.

If you have any questions about this circular, please send your inquiries to emu@mspo.org.my.

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