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1 Scope

The schedule of fees comprises fees for certificates of the Forest and Chain-of-Custody certification, which are issued by certification bodies which are notified by PEFC Austria and the voluntary forestry PEFC-fee (Freiwilliger PEFC-Förderbeitrag Forst).

2 Fees

2.1 Types of fees

2.1.1 PEFC-management fees (notification fees)

Instead of the expression notification fees in the communication the expression PEFC-management fees is used. The fees are used for the management of the PEFC-scheme.

2.1.1.1 Certificate holders covered by the group certification in natural growth regions

The PEFC-regional committee and the participants of the PEFC group certification in natural growth regions do not have to pay fees for the participation in forest management certification.

2.1.1.2 PEFC-management fee forestry (notification fees for single- and group certificates of forest management certification)

For single- and group certificates of forest management certification the PEFC-management fee forestry (PEFC-Betreiberbeitrag Forstbetriebe) needs to be paid. The amount of fees depends on the forest area.

2.1.1.3 PEFC-management fee CoC-companies (notification fees for CoC-certificates)

For single-, multi-site and group certificates of the chain-of-custody certification the PEFC-management fee CoC-companies (PEFC-Betreiberbeitrag CoC-Betriebe) needs to be paid. The amount of fees depends on the total turnover. The appropriation to turnover categories shall be done by the certification bodies principally in course of the certification and recertification.

2.1.2 Voluntary forestry PEFC-fee

The voluntary forestry PEFC-fee (Freiwilliger PEFC-Förderbeitrag Forst) is a voluntary fee from participants of the group certification in natural growth regions to PEFC Austria. The amount of fees principally depends on the forest area. The fee supports the PR of PEFC Austria.

2.2 Table of fees and billing period

- 2.2.1 All fees are published on the website of PEFC Austria in the table of fees.
- 2.2.2 The fees are determined by the PEFC Austria general assembly. Changes become effective after the fees are published on the website. Notified certification bodies are informed about changes of fees by PEFC Austria in written form.
- 2.2.3 The billing period is the calendar year.