

The SHRIMP Standard

After launching the Salmonids Standard in October 2004 and successfully implementing together with the Chain of Custody (CoC) for processed products - Shrimp is the next option for aquaculture certification within the GLOBALGAP set of standards.



GLOBALGAP SHRIMP FARMING

The scope of the GLOBALGAP Shrimp Standard covers:

- Legislative framework compliance compulsory for obtaining GLOBALGAP certification.
- Closed-cycle: where broodstock and larvae sourcing must not origin from wild resources and must be GLOBALGAP certified.
- Food Safety: covering all critical aspects where food safety is a potential risk.
- Compound Feed: sourcing must be GLOBALGAP recognized.
- Environment & Ecology Impact: above the legislative frame, tools available to register each location of shrimp farming activities to cross-check the non-establishment of shrimp farms in mangroves, protected areas and other high conservation value areas.
- Social Criteria: base criteria to evaluate sustainable social criteria implemented in shrimp farms and surrounding communities.

GLOBALGAP BENCHMARKING

The Benchmarking provides tools to recognize already established international and national schemes and avoids double auditing.

THE STANDARD

- Trialled in six farms in three different countries in Asia and Latin America by GLOBALGAP approved Certification Body Auditors experienced in GLOBALGAP

“ We wanted a standard, which would gain the confidence of all the stakeholders so we have followed an in-depth consultation and trialling of the standard requirements.

Mark Nijhof, Heiploeg, The Netherlands ”

Certification.

- Applicable to small scale and large scale operations
- Stakeholder consultation: generating 15 draft documents through the process up to the point of final approval.
- Development process based on ISEAL Code of Good Practice for Setting Social and Environmental Standards.

WIDE STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

The standard setting procedure involved a wide stakeholder consultation of nearly two years, including a workshop in Thailand and involvement of stakeholders worldwide, consultation with NGOs working directly in shrimp farming environmental and social impacts.