Food safety

GLOBALG.A.P. IFA v6 and PrimusGFS

Two days to prepare a farm, a producer group or a packhouse for GLOBALG.A.P. IFA v6 and PrimusGFS. Smart or GFS edition, GRASP add-on, PrimusGFS modules: the course first clarifies what the buyer asks for, then works through the requirements in the field, from plots to packhouse, using your spray, irrigation and harvest records.

Duration : 2 days

Objectives

1. Identify the standard, edition and options your buyers actually ask for
2. Apply the IFA v6 requirements to site management, soils, water, crop protection and harvest
3. Organise post-harvest handling and the packhouse under IFA v6 and PrimusGFS
4. Set up the management system of a producer group
5. Prepare the self-assessment, the internal inspection and the external audit

Programme

Day 1 — morning

• Fresh fruit and vegetables for export: what importers and retailers ask for

• GLOBALG.A.P. IFA v6: Smart and GFS editions, individual or group certification, GRASP add-on

• PrimusGFS v3.2: organisation in modules, from the farm to the packhouse

• Setting the scope with the buyer and recording it in writing

Day 1 — afternoon

• Site management and risk assessment, soils and substrates, fertilisation

• Water: sources, testing, risk assessment for irrigation and washing

• Crop protection: products authorised for the market, pre-harvest intervals, maximum residue limits, records

• Exercise: linking a harvested batch to its plot and its treatments

Day 2 — morning

• Harvest hygiene, seasonal crews, worker health and safety

• Post-harvest handling: packhouse, washing, cleaning, pests, foreign bodies

• PrimusGFS: food safety management system, HACCP and preventive controls in the packhouse

• Traceability, separation of certified and non-certified products, complaints, recall

Day 2 — afternoon (workshop)

• Group certification: management system, internal inspections of member producers

• Self-assessment on the checklist and frequent gaps found during the season

• Workshop: action plan for the farm or packhouse before the season

• Knowledge test and presentation of the pre-season plan

Teaching methods

• Walk of a plot or greenhouse and of the packhouse, with an inspection checklist

• Reading your spray, irrigation and harvest records

• Traceability exercise from plot to carton

• Delivered in French or Darija for crew leaders

• Quiz on IFA v6 and PrimusGFS, then final test

Assessment and documents

Knowledge test at the end of the session, reaction survey at D+1. Numbered training certificate, verifiable online; the farm or group receives the training report and the pre-season action plan.

Bilingual materials for every participant; each classroom course comes with its digital twin on OmniLearn.

Good to know

A group's internal inspectors can add "Food Safety Internal Auditor (GFSI)". To follow the versions buyers expect, see "GFSI Standards Updates (Watch)".

Practical information

Duration	2 days
Audience	Farms, producer groups, packhouses: quality managers, crop managers, packhouse managers
Prerequisites	No prerequisites
Group size	Groups of 6 to 12 participants, in-company
Format	In-company, face to face on your site
Language	French, Darija or English; bilingual materials
Funding	OFPPT special training contracts (TFP), GIAC, Maroc PME: we prepare the applications with you, at no extra cost.
Programme customisation	Programme adapted to your procedures, your equipment and your audience

Frequently asked questions

Smart or GFS: which IFA v6 edition should we choose?

The GFS edition is designed for GFSI recognition; the Smart edition is not. Your buyer decides: a contract that requires a GFSI-recognised standard asks for the GFS edition. We check each customer's written request with you before the session.

Do we need GLOBALG.A.P. and PrimusGFS at the same time?

Not necessarily. Some buyers ask for one, others for the other, others add GRASP. The course compares the requirements to avoid building two systems where a single set of records can answer both.

Does the training take place on the farm?

Preferably yes. The exercises rely on your plots, your packhouse and your records. We avoid the harvest peak so that crop managers can attend.

Can members of a group be trained?

Yes. The management system manager and the internal inspectors attend the full course; member producers can then receive an awareness session built with you on the requirements that concern them.