

# CHANGE LOG

## EUROPEAN FLAX™ STANDARD V3.1 VS V3.0

This change log was created to assist in identifying the differences between European Flax™ V3.1 and the previous version V3.0. Changes are identified by color ranking (*see legend below*).

### LEGEND:

#### Identified change between V3.1 and V3.0

	The intent of the requirement has not changed. The requirement has been simplified or reworded for an improved understanding
	New requirement or the requirement has changed in relation to the previous version of the standard.
	Requirement removed.

SECTION	CHANGE TYPE	CHANGE DETAIL
<b>Cover page</b>		Version and dates updated.
<b>Table of contents</b>		Table of Contents updated with current data.
<b>A.1.</b>		European Flax™ definition update to reflect current definition.
<b>B.2.a.</b>		Definition of Chain of Custody corrected for clarity and to avoid misinterpretation.
<b>B.3.c., d. &amp; e.</b>		Homogenization of names of European Flax™ documents for consistency.
<b>B.4.</b>		Homogenization of names of European Flax™ documents for consistency. Detailed website page address for better information.
<b>C.1.1.c.</b>		Clarification of documents for record keeping. Homogenization of term «List of Subcontractors» for consistency (also in C.7.2.c.; C.7.3.d.; C.7.5. ).
		New term «internal audit» introduced to clarify stakeholder roles in verification of subcontractors. (also, in C.7.5.; C.7.8.; Annex A)
<b>C.2.1</b>		Detailed website page address for better information.
<b>C.2.2.a</b>		Rewording of requirement for purchasing certified fibres to ensure better understanding.
<b>C.2.2.b</b>		Detailed website page address for better information. Further specification of requirements for compliant Masters of Linen™ invoices to clarify.
<b>C.3.1.2.b</b>		Improved wording of multi-part product composition requirement for better understanding.
<b>C.3.2.a.</b>		Harmonization of terms for activities submitted to composition tests for consistency.
<b>C.3.2.b.</b>		Detailed ISO standard reference for composition tests for better information.
<b>C.3.2.c.</b>		Removed part of requirement on keeping garment samples for composition tests for consistency with activities subject to composition testing (C.3.2.a.).

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<b>C.3.2. e.</b>		Improved wording on composition tests at initial audit for better understanding.
<b>C.3.2. Note</b>		Amended requirement for sampling and results of composition tests to reflect technical & operational feedback around management of composition tests.
<b>C.5.1.</b>		Improved wording for clear understanding of requirements.
<b>C.7.2. d.</b>		Added requirement to remind samples of subcontracted productions shall be kept for composition tests.
<b>C.7.3. a.</b> <b>C.7.3. b.</b>		Sections a. and b. were replaced by remodeled C.7.3. section. Requirements for approval of List of Subcontractors are replaced by new process C.7.3.
<b>C.7.3.</b>		Remodeled section on management of List of Subcontractors with adapted requirements to reflect operational and technical feedback.
<b>C.7.5.</b>		Section remodeled to focus on internal audits of subcontractors to provide better understanding of stakeholder roles. Introduction of new requirements for contracting organizations regarding internal audits of their subcontractors, to reflect operational and technical feedback.
<b>C.7.6.</b>		New section created on requirements for audits of subcontractors by the certification body, to provide better understanding of stakeholder roles.
<b>C.7.6.(previously)</b> <b>C.7.7.(previously)</b>		C.7.6 and C.7.7. moved and now designated as C.7.7 and C.7.8. respectively.
<b>C.7.7</b>		<i>Previously C.7.6.</i> Remodeled to focus on documentation and records within the scope of subcontracted work.
<b>C.7.6. Note 1 (previously)</b>		Previous C.7.6. Note 1, removed from standard as relevant to Certification Process document instead.
<b>C.7.8.</b>		<i>Previously C.7.7.</i> Rewording of the requirements for subcontractors with their own European Flax™ certificate, to avoid redundancies and keep requirement clear.
<b>C.8.2. e.</b>		Homogenization of term “multi-site” for consistency.
<b>ANNEX A: Accessories</b>		Clarified wording to ensure proper understanding.
<b>ANNEX A: Fibre preparation</b>		Removed definition for consistency. Term is replaced in documents directly by the specific activities it designated: “preparation to spinning (long fibre)” and/or “carding-combing (short fibre)” (Cf Annex A: Processor).
<b>ANNEX A: Organization</b>		Improved wording for better understanding.
<b>ANNEX A: Processor</b>		Harmonization of terms for activities submitted to composition tests for consistency.
<b>ANNEX A: Scutcher</b>		Improved wording for better understanding.
<b>ANNEX A: Site</b>		Revised definition to align with operational and technical feedback regarding multi-site certified companies.
<b>ANNEX A: Trading</b>		Revised definition to align with operational and technical feedback regarding trading with subcontracted processing.
<b>ANNEX C:</b>		See dedicated change log for “How to become European Flax™ certified?” infographics.