

# PrimusGFS General Regulations - Appendix 4

## Scope, Education and Work Experience Scopes and the required auditor competencies

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## SCOPE EDUCATION AND WORK EXPERIENCE

| Scope       | Category Name  | Education Requirement  | Work/Industry Experience Requirements  |
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| <b>BI</b>   | Farming of Plants (Other than grains and pulses)   | Education in an agricultural/crop-based discipline or, at a minimum, has successfully completed a food-related or bioscience higher education course or equivalent.  | Experience is required in the fresh produce farming sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fruit</li> <li>• Vegetables, herbs and spices</li> <li>• Grasses (sugar)</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BII</b>  | Farming of Grains and Pulses   | Education in an agricultural /crop-based discipline or, at a minimum, has successfully completed a food-related or bioscience higher education course or equivalent. | Experience is required in the produce farming sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grains and cereals</li> <li>• Nuts</li> <li>• Pulses and legumes</li> </ul>  |
| <b>BIII</b> | Pre-Process Handling of Plant Products, Nuts and Grains  | Education in an agricultural/crop-based discipline or, at a minimum, has successfully completed a food-related or bioscience higher education course or equivalent.  | Crop based experience such as the farming and handling of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fruits and Vegetables</li> <li>• Grains and cereals</li> <li>• Nuts</li> <li>• Pulses and legumes</li> </ul>   |
| <b>CII</b>  | Processing of Perishable Plant Products  | A degree in a food-related or bioscience discipline or, at a minimum, has successfully completed a food related or bioscience higher education course or equivalent. | Experience is required in the following food industry sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fruit and vegetables processing</li> </ul>   |
| <b>CIII</b> | Processing of Perishable Animal and Plant Products (mixed products)  | A degree in a food-related or bioscience discipline or, at a minimum, has successfully completed a food related or bioscience higher education course or equivalent. | Experience is required in the following food industry sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ready to eat (RTE) food processing,</li> <li>• Meat and fish product processing</li> <li>• Dairy technology</li> </ul>   |
| <b>CIV</b>  | Processing of Ambient Stable Products  | A degree in a food related or bioscience discipline or at a minimum successfully completed a food related or bioscience higher education course.                     | Experience is required in the following food industry sectors: ready to eat (RTE) food processing, meat and fish product processing, dairy technology. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ready to Eat Food Processing</li> <li>• Meat Product Processing</li> <li>• Fish Product Processing</li> <li>• Dairy Technology</li> </ul> Experience in the following food industry sectors may also be required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thermal processing, Baking, Brewing, Dairy, Extrusion technologies</li> <li>• Vegetable and animal fat and oil processing</li> <li>• Sugar refining</li> <li>• Beverage/Drink production</li> </ul> |
| <b>G</b>    | Storage and Distribution Services for Food, Feed and/ or Packaging<br><b>Note: any packing with labelling activities are excluded.</b> | A degree in a food related or bioscience discipline or at a minimum has successfully completed a food related or bioscience higher education course.                 | Experience is required in the following industry sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Perishable Food, and / or Feed Storage and Distribution</li> <li>• Non-perishable Food, Feed and / or Packaging</li> <li>• Storage and Distribution</li> </ul>  |

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