

SFQC Biofertiliser Certification Scheme fees

January 2011

ALL businesses that sign up with SFQC in 2011 will be eligible for:

- a) 50% discount on first and second year annual fees
- b) discounted 1 day pre-assessment visits***

Plant capacity (thousands of tonnes)	Introductory fee 2011	Discounted renewal fee 2012	Standard Annual fee
Up to 15	£750	£750	£1500
15-25	£1250	£1250	£2500
25-50	£1700	£1700	£3400
>50	£2100	£2100	£4200
Group discount for more than 1 plant site	10%**	10%**	10%**
Annual renewal discount			5%

(All fees quoted are exclusive of VAT which will be levied at the current prevailing rate)

Key:

*: All fees are inclusive of travel and subsistence costs, REA royalty fees and charges for random spot checks. Revisits required to verify clearance of non-compliances will be charged at cost and quoted in advance of initial audits

** : Additional discounts may be negotiated where a commercial group deal involving multiple sites is agreed

***: These will be offered at an all-inclusive cost of £250 (+ VAT) for clients who sign up to use SFQC in 2011 and will be refunded off the subsequent year's scheme fees for businesses continuing to work with SFQC in 2012

Biofertiliser certification with SFQC

Why use SFQC?

- ✓ SFQC has worked closely with the Renewable Energy industry since 2007 in helping developing practical yet effective anaerobic scheme standards
- ✓ SFQC has many years experience within the Anaerobic Digestion supply chain including working with and auditing feedstock suppliers such as abattoirs, fish processors and fruit and vegetable processors. SFQC also audits 16,000 farming businesses p.a. (potential digestate users) and has extensive regular contacts with key stakeholders such as assurance schemes in England, Wales and Scotland, UK farming unions and regulators such as DEFRA, Scottish Government and environmental agencies.
- ✓ SFQC certification enables 1000's of businesses across the UK every year to access, secure and maintain product markets and demonstrate adherence to regulatory requirements
- ✓ SFQC has been accredited to the EN45011 standard since 1997 and now covers 13 different scopes. This means we can demonstrate delivering consistent and fair certification to all our clients
- ✓ SFQC has a team of individuals with a good experience of agricultural and food based processes across all sectors supplying feedstocks to the Anaerobic Digestate industry and a good understanding of the AD process
- ✓ SFQC offers a very competitive fee structure including a commitment to cap scheme fees for 2 years; no joining fee in Year 1; no additional travel and subsistence costs will be levied; and group discounts offered for multiple site businesses

