

PSU Derogation

Code	DER-STD-20-001_01 V1-1-amended
Requirement (s)	Clause 4.7.1 of FSC-STD-20-001
Request by CB	Is it acceptable to postpone the audit of a certificate holder by one month to the next calendar year, if the audit takes place within the 15 months after the last audit?
Rationale as pro- vided by CBs	The audit was not feasible for reasons beyond the control of the certificate holder and the CB.
PSU conclusion	The audit may be postponed by one month to the next calendar year within the limits of the 15 months rule. All other requirements including the requirement to have 4 surveillance audits within one certification cycle remain unaffected. This derogation is granted for cases that are beyond the control of the certificate holder and the CB (such as sickness and natural hazards like e.g. fire and flooding). The CB shall record each case in the respective certification report.
Scope of derogation	 ☑ Generic (applicable by all certification bodies) ☐ Specific (applicable only upon individual request and PSU confirmation)
References	/
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Period of validity	N.A.