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- 1. Download the relevant SRP Standard documents from our Resources page.
- 2. Understand the Standard and Assurance program of SRP from The SRP Standard & Assurance page.
- 3. Conduct an internal assessment using the <u>SRP Standard Farm-level Checklist</u> and the SRP CoC Checklist and rectify any gaps or non-compliances identified. It is recommended to engage with an SRP Authorized Trainer who can provide you with valuable assistance during your internal assessment and audit preparations. You can choose from the list of registered SRP Authorized Trainers available <u>here</u>. Please note that to ensure separation of function between training and audit, CABs cannot provide training or technical assistance during this preparatory phase.
- 4. Once you consider your producers / producer group or participating operator are ready for verification, compare offers from the SRP-approved Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) you want to work with in your country of operation from the list available at The SRP Standard & Assurance page.
- 5. Register with the CAB of your choice and sign a Sublicense and Registration Agreement with the CAB as part of the registration process for the SRP Assurance Platform.
- 6. Arrange an independent third-party audit with your selected CAB. An audit team will then conduct the first on-site announced audit on an agreed date.
- 7. Once you successfully comply with the SRP Standard's requirements, you will receive an SRP Verification Statement from the CAB, specifying the relevant version and scope. The Verification Statement is valid for 3 years. During the three-year cycle, every producer or producer group or participating operator is also required to undergo annual audits. In the case of producer or producer groups this would comprise two announced full on-site audits, and one unannounced full on-site audit.
- 8. Within each three-year assessment cycle, for producer or producer groups at least one on-site audit should be conducted during harvest season, or prior to harvest when the rice is ready for harvesting so that the auditor can verify performance in the field.

Grievances and Complaints

If you disagree with any decision made by your CAB, please follow this link to <u>SRP</u> Grievance and Dispute Resolution Policy