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## **VLOG Membership fee schedule**

Effective as of 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022

The amount of the membership fees shall be determined by their classification in one of the following types of business; for members from the type of business Agriculture, Feed or Food it shall additionally be determined by the amount of their total turnover.

- Agriculture
- Feed (processing/retail)
- Food (processing/retail)
- Certifier/Laboratory
- Other

The fixed membership fees may not be suitable in individual cases. In exceptional cases, the Executive Board can decide to waive the obligation to pay fees, in whole or in part, upon written request. There is no legal entitlement to reduction of the membership fee or to be released from the obligation to pay fees. Any reduced fee must be applied for in writing and justified by means of relevant documents. The Executive Board decides once all documents have been submitted. Exceptions in this regard are, for example, short-term economic shortfalls of a business that has been a member or licensee for many years.

When such an exception is granted, it is always temporary; however, it can be extended by the Executive Board upon renewed request.

Being a VLOG member does not entitle you to use the “Ohne GenTechnik” or “VLOG-geprüft” seal. That will require a licence to be issued and a licensing fee to be paid.

Membership fees are not subject to VAT.

Fees are due annually and, for businesses, are calculated on the annual total sales<sup>1</sup> in euros, unless otherwise stated.

**Breakdown for Agriculture<sup>2</sup>**

Category	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>Total sales in million euros</b>	< 1	≥ 1 < 5	≥ 5 < 50	≥ 50 < 100	≥ 100 < 200	≥ 200
<b>Fee in euros</b>	30	30	60	90	120	To be agreed

**Breakdown for Feed (processing/retail)**

Category	1	2	3	4	5	6
<b>Total sales in million euros</b>	< 5	≥ 5 < 100	≥ 100 < 200	≥ 200 < 500	≥ 500 < 1,000	≥ 1,000
<b>Fee in euros</b>	30	60	90	120	240	To be agreed

**Breakdown for Food<sup>3</sup> (processing/retail)**

Category	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Total sales in million euros</b>	< 5	≥ 5 < 200	≥ 200 < 600	≥ 600 < 1,000	≥ 1,000 < 5,000	≥ 5,000 < 10,000	≥ 10,000
<b>Fee in euros</b>	30	120	240	350	590	940	To be agreed

The classification into the correct fee category must be checked by the member annually after receipt of the membership invoice to ensure that it is up to date. Any discrepancies shall be reported to the VLOG office within one month of receipt of the invoice.

<b>Certifiers, Laboratories</b>	F l a t r a t e o f 1 0 0 e u r o s p e r y e a r
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<b>Other</b>	A s p e r a g r e e m e n t A t l e a s t 3 0 e u r o s p e r y e a r
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<sup>1</sup> Total of all sales of the whole business in the previous fiscal year.

<sup>2</sup> Including farm shops, farm cheese dairies and apiaries.

<sup>3</sup> Including butchers and bakeries.