

FEE SCHEDULE

for
SURE scheme participants

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Pursuant to Article 8 of the scheme contract, SURE charges an annual usage fee for the contractually-based services in the respective SURE scheme to participants (contract parties).

Following principle applies to all scheme users:

$$\text{Annual fee} = \text{Basic fee} + \text{quantity-based fee}$$

The fees are designed to achieve a reasonable and transparent distribution of operating costs among the participants in the SURE scheme.

A: Basic fee

The basic fee is charged annually per contractor (scheme participant) according to the mass of solid or gaseous biomass delivered by or used by the contractor as sustainable in the SURE-EU scheme.

Scheme participants trading or using:	Basic fee
≤ 20,000 tons of sustainable biomass	EUR 250
≤ 50,000 tons of sustainable biomass	EUR 750
≤ 100,000 tons of sustainable biomass	EUR 1,500
> 100,000 tons of sustainable biomass	EUR 3,000

B: Quantity-based fee

The quantity-based fee is charged annually related to the mass of solid or gaseous biomass delivered by or used by the contractor as sustainable biomass in the previous year multiplied by the related fee.

In terms of biogas from anaerobic digestion, the reference for the calculation of the quantity-based fee is the amount of biomethane produced from the substrates (in tons) multiplied by the related fee for biomethane.

As example, following values are basis for calculation in the SURE scheme:

Density of biomethane:	0.72 kg/m ³
Average content of biomethane in biogas (anaerob digestion):	60 %

Traders of biomass as a substrate for biomethane production in an anaerobic digester are charged per ton of delivered substrate in relation to its expected biomethane yield. For this, the substrate is converted with a conversion factor to equivalent mass biomethane fuel which takes into account the specific yield of biogas and its average biomethane content.

Renewable resources for biomethane production (anaerob digestion):	0.062
Liquid manure for biomethane production (anaerob digestion):	0.011
Solid manure for biomethane production (anaerob digestion):	0.04

Example: tons of substrate * 0,062 = tons of biomethane-equivalent

Kind of biomass / biomass fuel	Unit	Quantity-based fee
Wood Chips	per ton	EUR 0.040
Wood Pellets and wood briquettes	per ton	EUR 0.100
Biomethane (density 0.72 kg/m ³) ¹	per ton	EUR 0.055
Other solid biomass or gaseous fuels of biogenic origin ²	per ton	EUR 0.040

¹Raw biogas as used e.g. in a CHP plant is considered to have an average biomethane content of 60 %.

²For example: Straw, Bagasse, rice husks, nut shells, olive kernels, hydrogen from biomass etc.

C: Capping of the annual quantity-based fee

The amount of the quantity-based fee is capped at EUR 22,000 for all scheme participants.

D: General rules

Upon conclusion of the contract with SURE, only a basic fee of EUR 250,- is charged for the year of accession, which is due immediately.

The amount of the annual fee for all subsequent calendar years is calculated for the basic fee and the volume fee on the basis of the quantity of solid or gaseous biomass determined for the previous year which is deemed to have been delivered or used in the company as sustainable. The annual fee is levied no later than the second quarter of the accounting year. Scheme participants are therefore required to report their previous year's quantities by 31 March at the latest in a form specified by SURE.

Upon termination of the scheme contract the annual fee is due and calculated as follows:

Annual fee at date of termination = Basic fee in full amount + quantity-based fee according to the mass of solid or gaseous biomass delivered or used up to the date of termination

E: General dunning

After expiry of the time until which an invoice should be paid and / or a pronounced sanction should be complied with, however, at the latest with the delivery of a written reminder (payment reminder), the person requested to pay and / or the person sanctioned (the person concerned) is in default.

From then on, outstanding claims could be asserted in court, issued certificates could be suspended until claim is paid. SURE reserves its right to cancel a system contract without notice in case of continuously outstanding claims.

Usually, every delivery of a payment note, which occurs after the written payment reminder, will be charged with EUR 10. This amounts will be added to the total invoice.