



DuPont Nutrition & Biosciences Sustainable Sourcing Practices – Soy Protein & Soy Fiber Products

As part of our effort to minimize our carbon footprint, DuPont Nutrition and Biosciences (NB) sources soybeans as close to our manufacturing facilities as possible, where we can find the right quality and grade of raw materials that meet our standards. In the case of products made with Identity Preserved, Non-Genetically Modified (IP Non-GM) soybeans, DuPont NB contracts direct with farmers to grow soybeans that meet our exacting specifications for this important raw material. We have relationships directly with these farmers and routinely visit and audit their farming practices for IP Non-GM compliance to our requirements. More information on this program can be found [here](#).

Most of the soybeans we source globally come from the Midwestern United States (US). US-grown soybeans are exclusively used at our plants located in the US and in Europe. Smaller quantities are also coming from other regions such as Brazil (outside the Amazon biome region), and Asia, to service plants in those regions. When sourcing raw materials, DuPont NB purchase contracts require its suppliers to comply with environmental and labor laws of the country in which they operate. This is also stressed in our Supplier Code of Conduct, which is available [here](#).

US Supply Covered by U.S. Soybean Sustainability Assurance Protocol (SSAP):

80% of the soybeans we source globally come from the Midwestern United States.

In the US, soybean growers are assessed against the [U.S. Soybean Sustainability Assurance Protocol \(SSAP\)](#). The SSAP is based on a US national system of sustainability and conservation laws and regulations and farmer participation in the U.S. Farm Program. Verification under SSAP is provided by U.S. Soybean Export Council (USSEC) subsidiary Soy Export Sustainability (SES). Further information about the standard, their assurance program and how the system drives continual improvement at the farm level is available in their latest report. Click [here](#) to access it.

The program directives of the SSAP address biodiversity, production practices, public and labor health and welfare, and continuous improvement practices at the farm level, with impacts quantified and published by USSEC on an annual basis. The biodiversity initiatives of SSAP address a number of biodiversity assurances, including protection of biodiverse grasslands, wetlands, peatlands, continually forested lands and other designated protected areas.

DuPont Nutrition and Biosciences can provide SSAP certificates to customers, as stated in the list of current active companies. These Mass Balance (MB) certificates are shipment specific. For more information about the SSAP certificates click [here](#). To obtain SSAP certificates, please contact your account manager within DuPont NB.



Please note that DuPont NB can only provide the certificates if those are generated within 60 days from the shipment date of the product from our plant.

Sourcing Practices in Brazil:

To service our Brazilian plant, we buy soybeans locally in the Brazilian market. Specifically, for soy purchased from suppliers that are situated in areas in the vicinity of the Amazon biome, we only buy from vendors that have signed a contractual agreement prohibiting the purchase of soybeans grown on lands deforested after July 2006 in the Amazon biome – in line with the Soy Moratorium (SoyM). Our deforestation statement related to soy from Brazil is [available on our website in the sourcing/suppliers section](#).

DuPont is a member of the Round Table on Responsible Soy (RTRS) Association, a global multi-stakeholder organization founded in 2006 whose goal is to promote and support the growth and utilization of responsibly grown soy throughout the value chain. DuPont NB is purchasing RTRS credits for the soybean raw materials we source for our Brazil-based soy protein production facilities. The adoption of RTRS credits for soybeans used at our Brazil facility is a direct contribution to responsible soy. A way to encourage farmers to follow RTRS standards in growing soybeans responsibly, supporting forest preservation, preserving local ecosystems and protecting human rights.

Sustainability Partnerships:

DuPont Nutrition and Biosciences is a member (Industry, Trade and Finance category) of the [Round Table on Responsible Soy \(RTRS\)](#), a civil organization that promotes responsible production, processing and trading of soy on a global level. The list of RTRS members is available via [this link](#) (use search function to look for DuPont Nutrition Biosciences ApS)

All our manufacturing sites are engaged in Sedex – a sharing platform for ethical information – and we participate in third-party SMETA audits with a focus on Labor Rights, Health & Safety, Environmental Practices and Business Ethics.

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