

ProTerra

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ProTerra is a standard for any commodity crop producer, sugar cane, maize, soya, tobacco, palm, coffee etc. – the ProTerra® Standard, developed by Cert ID, emerged from the Basel Criteria, a document developed cooperatively by the retailer COOP-Switzerland, the World Wildlife Fund, and other industry and public interest groups. Regarding the use of Paraquat, the ProTerra standard is stricter than the Basel Criteria and prohibits the use of all Pesticide Action Network’s “Dirty Dozen” list, which includes Paraquat.

Approximately 50% of all imported soybeans in Switzerland are ProTerra certified.

Sources:

Cert ID Website

hyperlink: www.cert-id.eu/Certification-Programmes/ProTerra.aspx

Netzwerk für nachhaltige Soja (Article in German)

(hyperlink: www.schweizerbauer.ch/htmls/artikel_21774.html)