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**This document outlines the Terms and Conditions for the
recognition of Foreign Halal Certification Bodies (FHCB)
by Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura
(Islamic Religious Council of Singapore)
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FOREIGN HALAL CERTIFICATION BODIES (FHCB) RECOGNITION SCHEME



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FOREWORD

Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura

This document has been developed by the Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura (MUIS), also known as the Islamic Religious Council of Singapore. MUIS was established in 1968 with the enactment of the Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA). MUIS is a statutory board under the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY) in Singapore. Among others, MUIS issues Halal certificates and regulates halal certification in Singapore.

Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA)

Section 88AA – Foreign halal certification body

(1) The Majlis may, on application, recognise any person, authority or entity outside Singapore that issues halal certificates in relation to any product.

(2) A halal certificate issued by the foreign halal certification body granted recognition under subsection (1) has the same effect and validity as if it were a halal certificate issued by the Majlis under section 88A.

(3) An application for recognition under subsection (1) must be in the form and manner that the Majlis may require and accompanied by any document or other information that the Majlis may require.

(4) The Majlis may (a) in granting recognition, impose any condition or limitation that the Majlis thinks fit, which may be different for different halal certificates issued by the foreign halal certification body that relate to different products; and (b) vary, remove or add to any condition or limitation mentioned in paragraph (a) at any time.

(5) The Majlis must specify on the official website of the Majlis (a) the foreign halal certification bodies that have been granted recognition under subsection (1) which recognition has not been revoked or cancelled; and (b) the certification marks of the foreign halal certification bodies mentioned in paragraph (a) for use in relation to any product in respect of which any of the foreign halal certification bodies has issued a halal certificate.

(6) Any person who, without the approval of the foreign halal certification body (a) issues a halal certificate purportedly from or on behalf of that foreign halal certification body in relation to any product; or (b) uses any specified halal certification mark or any colourable imitation of that mark purportedly of that foreign halal certification body, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or to both.

Section 88H – Appeal to Appeal Committee

Any person who is aggrieved by any decision of the Majlis made under section 88AA may appeal to the Appeal Committee against the decision in accordance with this Part.

More information on MUIS' roles and responsibilities is available at **www.muis.gov.sg**.

For More Information

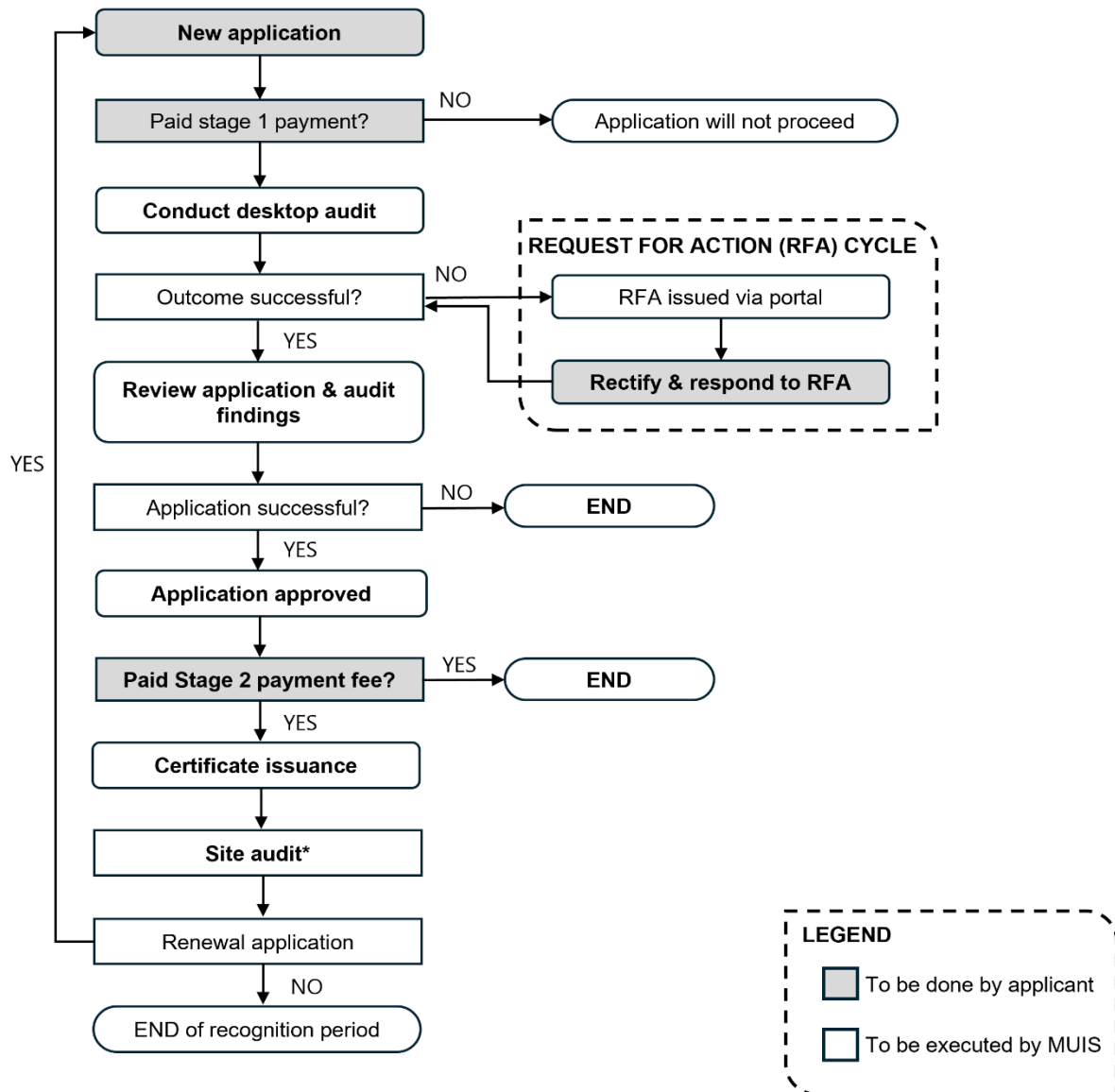
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APPLICATION PROCESS



Note:

*Depending on risk category and subject to MUIS discretion.

In extraordinary circumstances, MUIS may conduct a remote audit.

SCOPE

- 1.1 This document specifies the terms and conditions that Foreign Halal Certification Bodies (hereafter referred to as "**FHCB**") shall satisfy for the execution of Halal certification activities, such as certification of Halal product/service and/or management systems for bodies providing these activities to attain the recognition of Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura (hereafter referred to as "**MUIS**") under Section 88AA of the AMLA ("**Recognition**").
- 1.2 This document shall be known as **Terms and Conditions for MUIS FHCB Recognition Scheme**.
- 1.3 This document provides general guidelines and the terms and conditions for FHCBs seeking recognition under the MUIS Enhanced Foreign Halal Certification Bodies Recognition Scheme.

MUIS ONLINE APPLICATION SYSTEM

- 2.1 The FHCB shall complete and endorse their application for Recognition (the "**Application**") via the MUIS online application system ("**Online Application System**") together with the required supporting documents specified.
- 2.2 Any hardcopy submission will not be processed.
- 2.3 The FHCB shall submit the Application, together with the necessary information and documents, in the **English** language only.
- 2.4 Any documents that are written in any other language shall be translated to English by certified translators/interpreters before the submission to MUIS. Incomplete/untranslated submissions or incorrect/false entries in the Application and/or the documents accompanying the Application may automatically disqualify the Application.
- 2.5 The FHCB shall comply fully with the Recognition criteria and these Terms and Conditions before submitting the Application.
- 2.6 All Applications will be processed with the strictest confidence.
- 2.7 All payments are to be made via the Online Application System. No other forms of payment shall be accepted.

SCOPE OF APPLICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT

- 3.1 The general guidelines, procedure and terms and conditions of this document shall apply to all FHCBs operating a Halal certification system outside of Singapore and applying for MUIS Recognition regardless of whether the FHCB has previously been recognised by MUIS.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

CRITERIA

As a pre-requisite to an Application, the FHCB shall meet the following criteria:

- 4.1 Ensure that all products exported to Singapore for use by MUIS Halal certificate holders comply with the Singapore MUIS Halal Standards (SMHS), MUIS Halal Certification Conditions and regulations set by the Singapore Food Agency (SFA).
- 4.2 Contribute to Singapore's food supply network through the certification of overseas establishments accredited by the Singapore Food Agency (SFA) under the applicable categories (<https://www.sfa.gov.sg/tools-and-resources/accreditation-database-for-overseas-sources>).
- 4.3 For certification of **high-risk** items or products (e.g. animal-origin, flavours, and other items listed in Annex A annexed hereto) ("**High-Risk Items**"), complete information must be provided and accurately declared.
- 4.4 Be an Islamic authority and/or Muslim organisation that is legally registered in the country where it operates for a minimum period of two (2) years.
- 4.5 Comply with any other requirements stipulated by MUIS for the purposes of Recognition of the FHCB's halal certificates and/or certification marks.
 - i) For the purpose of meeting the SMHS, the requirements stipulated under MUIS Halal Standards MUIS-HC-S001 (2007) shall apply as the normative reference.
 - ii) With respect to the organisational structure of the FHCB, the FHCB should have attained the ISO/IEC 17065 accreditation, save that MUIS may, at its sole and absolute discretion, waive this requirement on a case-to-case basis.

ORGANISATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 4.6 Be duly established and validly existing under the laws of its country, place or jurisdiction of establishment, incorporation or formation and operate out of a legitimate and legal address or premises.
- 4.7 Have an organisation structure that comprises:
 - i) The Halal Management Committee
 - ii) The Shariah Committee
 - iii) The Technical and Shariah Auditors

4.8 Provide the following information and documents in respect of the FHCB:

Organisation Background

- i) Organisation background, type, overall structure, copy of organisation chart, Applicant's organisation size, change in ownership and/or management, roles, other services and social activities involved in, Islamic school of thought organisation applies;
- ii) Details of Applicant's establishment, incorporation, formation or registration in country, place or jurisdiction of establishment, incorporation, formation or operation, authority with which Applicant is established, incorporated, formed or registered and Applicant's identification or registration number, Certificate of registration or incorporation or otherwise for Applicant to demonstrate that it is a legal entity its country, place or jurisdiction of establishment, incorporation, formation or operation and its internal standard operating procedures e.g. internal audit frequency;
- iii) Certified copy of the FHCB's charter, statute, constitution or memorandum or articles or other instrument constituting or defining its constitution.
- iv) Years involved in halal certification.
- v) Certified copy of such document evidencing the FHCB's legal occupation of its operating address (including without limitation, a lease or occupation agreement, certificate of title or other property ownership document)
- vi) Contact details of Applicant's contact person(s);
- vii) Awards received in respect of standards e.g. GSO2055, ISO9001, ISO22000, ISO17065 etc certification (if any) and evidence of the same.
- viii) Accreditation/recognition received from and/or international networking and affiliation with overseas Halal authorities / certification bodies and letters / certificate of recognition received from other Halal authorities / certification bodies.
- ix) Curriculum vitae and qualification certificates / professional accreditation (in English) for each for the following individuals:
 - Members of Shariah Advisory Board/Committee
 - Members of Halal Management Committee
 - Halal auditors
 and in respect of the replacement of each of the above individuals.

Halal-related Regulation / Fatwa / Standards / Guidelines

- x) Standards / Guidelines (in English) minimally on the following:
 - Halal meat and/or poultry slaughtering and process handling
 - Halal processed food and ingredients (flavours included)
 - Surveillance Process / Procedures

Halal Certification (For Local And / Or Overseas Certification)

- xi) Halal certification application form (certified true copy of a blank copy/sample).
- xii) Halal certification process.
- xiii) Halal Certification Terms & Conditions / Requirements.

- xiv) Official Halal certificate and Halal logo (certified true copy of a blank copy/sample).
- xv) Types of Halal certification schemes.
- xvi) List of Halal-certified establishments and products that the FHCB certifies.
- xvii) Halal management system:
 - Standard operating procedure for processing and approval of Halal certification applications
 - Standard operating procedure for issuance of Halal certificates
 - Frequency of Halal audits / inspections during pre- and post-certification stages
 - Guidelines on use of Halal certificate and Halal logo by companies
 - Surveillance Process / Procedures
 - Internal Audit Documents and Corrective Action Reports
- xviii) Statutory Declaration (SD) declaring that:
 - the FHCB is not insolvent, not an organisation of ill-repute and no steps have been taken, nor have any legal proceedings been started or threatened for the winding up of the FHCB or for the appointment of a receiver and/or manager or a judicial manager to take over the assets of the FHCB or equivalent in the relevant jurisdiction or any of them.
 - no legal proceeding (whether litigation, arbitration, administrative or otherwise) is current or pending or threatened against the FHCB and no steps have been taken for the commencement of any legal proceedings against the FHCB.
 - the FHCB has no prior conviction for committing any offence under the laws of the country, place or jurisdiction of its establishment, incorporation, formation or operation.
 - the FHCB is a Muslim organisation and is neither under the purview of nor affiliated to any non-Muslim organisation.

The SD shall be:

- (if made in the United Kingdom or any part of the Commonwealth other than Singapore) made before a commissioner for oaths, notary public or justice of peace of that country, or other person having authority under any law for the time being in force in that country to take or receive a declaration.
- (if made in any place that is not part of the Commonwealth) made before a consul or vice consul or before any person having authority under any law for the time being in force in that place to take or receive a declaration.

4.9 Have competent senior management who are Muslim with roles as follows but not limited to:

- i) Ensuring that the auditing standards adopted is based on the industry's leading practices.
- ii) Ensuring that the overall activities of the organisation comply with the Halal standards adopted under the Islamic Shariah law.
- iii) Ensuring Halal policies, procedures and standards are endorsed, systematically implemented and reviewed.

- iv) Ensuring adequate and competent resourcing of personnel.
 - v) Ensuring proper documentation control and records system.
 - vi) Setting up and appointing competent individuals for the Halal Management Committee, Shariah Committee, Technical/Shariah Auditors and any other personnel involved in the Halal certification process.
- 4.10 Have a competent Halal Management Committee, comprising at least three (3) members with requirements and roles as follows but not limited to:
- i) Minimally two (2) years of experience in Halal matters.
 - ii) Minimally a graduate diploma and/or degree or its equivalent.
 - iii) Formulation and implementation of Halal standards / certification requirements.
 - iv) Development and implementation of an effective Halal management system.
 - v) Granting of Halal certification on Shariah and scientific basis.
 - vi) Delegation of authority to competent committees or individuals as required to undertake defined functions on its behalf.
- 4.11 Have a competent Shariah Advisory Board / Committee responsible for the issuing of Fatwa and religious advice in relation to Halal certification, comprising at least three (3) members with requirements and roles as follows but not limited to:
- i) Minimally two (2) years of experience in Islamic Religious matters.
 - ii) Minimally a graduate diploma and/or degree or its equivalent in Islamic Studies or its equivalent.
 - iii) Formulation and implementation of Fatwas and Shariah guidance and decisions.
 - iv) Granting of Halal certification on Shariah and religious basis.

Auditor requirements

- 4.12 Have or engage an adequate number of full-time competent Muslim auditors having Shariah and scientific qualifications to conduct Halal Technical and Shariah audits / inspections.
- 4.13 Have an adequate number of full-time competent Muslim personnel with food science/technological qualifications to facilitate in the certification of relevant risk categories.
- 4.14 Ensure segregation of duties to avoid any form of conflict of interest (e.g. the auditor and approving officer must be two separate persons).
- 4.15 Ensure a systematic documentation and record control on auditing and supervision of the certified establishments, slaughterhouses, food premises etc.
- 4.16 Ensure a systematic documentation and record control of the FHCB's Halal policies, standards, procedures, guidelines, Halal training program and any related records.

- 4.17 Attend the Halal seminars, workshops, courses, training and meetings organised by MUIS as and when required. This is to facilitate understanding of the Singapore MUIS Halal Standards, Terms and Conditions for MUIS Foreign Halal Certification Bodies Recognition Scheme and export requirements to Singapore.
- 4.18 Comply with any other requirements stipulated by MUIS for the purposes of Recognition or product export to Singapore.

COMPETENCY ASSESMENT

- 5.1 The FHCB shall have at least one (1) member from each of the following to take a Certification Bodies Assessment as part of the Application process:
- i) Management Committee
 - ii) Shariah Committee
 - iii) Technical/Shariah Auditor
- 5.2 These members will have to pay the assessment fees and pass the Certification Bodies Assessment via the online assessment platform as a prerequisite to the Recognition process.
- 5.3 The assessment will consist of the following themes:
- i) Basic Halal Concepts
 - ii) General Code of Conduct
 - iii) MUIS Enhanced FHCB Recognition Application Process
 - iv) General Queries of Roles and Responsibilities for FHCB personnel

RISK CATEGORISATION

- 6.1 Upon receipt of the Application, MUIS will assess and assign the risk categorisation of the Applicant based on key risk parameters to be determined by MUIS from time to time in its sole and absolute discretion including without limitation:
- i) number of establishments certified as high-risk by the Applicant.
 - ii) number of products exported to Singapore.
 - iii) frequency of post-certification audit conducted on establishments certified by the Applicant.
 - iv) frequency of the Applicant's internal audits.
 - v) other accreditation or recognition of the Applicant in the halal sector.
 - vi) certified establishment to staff ratio.
 - vii) past history of audit inspection on the Applicant; and
 - viii) any change(s) in Applicant's ownership.

The risk categorisation assigned by MUIS shall be final and binding on the Applicant where Tier 1 is deemed as High Risk, Tier 2 as Medium Risk and Tier 3 as Low Risk.

- 6.2 If the FHCB is categorised as Tier 1 pursuant to the risk categorisation assessment, the FHCB will be required to undergo at least one onsite audit at any time within the Recognition Period (defined below). MUIS may at its sole and absolute discretion require the FHCB categorised as Tier 1 to undergo additional onsite audits at any time within the Recognition Period.
- 6.3 If the FHCB is categorised as Tier 2 pursuant to the risk categorisation assessment, the FHCB may, at MUIS' sole and absolute discretion, be required to undergo an onsite audit at any time within the Recognition Period.
- 6.4 If the FHCB is categorised as Tier 3 pursuant to the risk categorisation assessment, the FHCB will not be required to undergo any onsite audit within the Recognition Period (defined below).
- 6.5 Notwithstanding the risk category of the FHCB as assessed by MUIS, the FHCB shall give MUIS written notice of any change in respect of the information relating to the FHCB referred to in paragraphs 4.1 to 4.18 above and the particulars of such change on an annual basis or earlier, depending on the significance of the change in information and whether such change may affect the FHCB's risk category.
- 6.6 The FHCB shall bear the costs and expenses of all land, sea or air travel and the accommodation of the auditors engaged by MUIS for the purposes of and in connection with the conduct of the on-site audit. For the avoidance of doubt, the abovementioned costs and expenses are in addition to the mandatory fees paid by the FHCB in its application for Recognition.

RECOGNITION, VALIDITY AND RENEWAL

- 7.1 The Recognition of the FHCB shall be subject to and conditional upon the FHCB's delivery of an agreement and undertaking (in the form and on the terms and conditions prescribed by MUIS) with MUIS (the "**FHCB Agreement**"). If the FHCB does not deliver the FHCB Agreement, the FHCB's Application for Recognition will be deemed rejected and/or the FHCB shall not be granted Recognition and the FHCB shall have no claim against MUIS arising out of or in connection with the FHCB's Application for Recognition.
- 7.2 Upon successful payment of the Fees, passing of the Certification Bodies Assessment by each of the relevant FHCB personnel, approval of the FHCB's Application and execution of the FHCB Agreement, the FHCB will be recognised by way of MUIS' issuance of a certificate which will be valid for a period of 3 years ("**Recognition Period**").
- 7.3 The FHCB which has been granted Recognition by MUIS shall be listed on MUIS' website and portal during the Recognition Period.
- 7.4 Not less than four (4) months before the expiry of the Recognition Period, the FHCB shall be required to make a new application for Recognition and will be required to undertake the entire application process again.

- 7.5 FHCBs that do not make an application in accordance with paragraph 7.4 above and obtain Recognition for a new period by the expiry of the Recognition Period will be removed from the list of recognised FHCBs.

FEES

- 8.1 The FHCB will have to pay the following non-refundable fees (collectively, the **"Fees"** and each, a **"Fee"**) for each Application for Recognition (including renewal applications):

S/N	Type of Fee and Payment Details	Amount / Rate of Fee
1	Application Fee, upon submission of the Application on the Online Application System	\$1000
2	E-Assessment Fee (per pax), upon submission of the Application on the Online Application System	\$120
3	Audit Fee, within the time prescribed by MUIS in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Applicant	\$700 per Man Day
4	Recognition Fee, within the time prescribed by MUIS in its sole and absolute discretion and notified to the Applicant	\$2,000

- 8.2 All payments shall be made online through the payment gateway on the Online Application System.
- 8.3 MUIS shall be entitled to determine, at its sole and absolute discretion, the Audit Fee and number of audit personnel and Man Days required to conduct an audit on the FHCB, depending on the size of the FHCB.

SUSPENSION/REVOCATION OF RECOGNITION

- 9.1 In the event that any one or more of the following events (**"Default Events"** and each, a **"Default Event"**) occur in respect of a FHCB:
- Breach of any of the Terms and Conditions for MUIS Foreign Halal Certification Bodies Recognition Scheme.
 - Breach of any of the terms, covenants, conditions, provisions and/or stipulations on the part of the FHCB to be performed or observed under the FHCB Agreement entered into by and between the MUIS and the FHCB which governs the Recognition of the FHCB for the Recognition Period.
 - Making or causing or permitting to be made any false or fraudulent declaration, certification or representation, either in writing or otherwise which severely affects the integrity of the Foreign Halal Certification issued by the FHCB.
 - the FHCB is under the purview of non-Muslim entities or is or becomes affiliated with non-Muslim entities.

- v) Certification of any slaughterhouse/abattoirs/processing plants which operations are not in compliance with Shariah law, lack of a formal work procedure / standard operating procedure endorsed by its Shariah Committee and/or lack of a complete MUIS Technical/Religious Questionnaire.
- vi) Suspension and/or termination (for any reason whatsoever) of the FHCB's registration/operating licence issued by the relevant competent authority in the country, place or jurisdiction of the FHCB's establishment, incorporation, formation and/or operation.
- vii) Ceasing to carry on the FHCB's business in the normal circumstances for a continuous period of more than 30 days.
- viii) An application is filed for the winding up or judicial management of the FHCB, going into voluntary or compulsory (save for the purposes of amalgamation or reconstruction of a solvent entity), a receiver or receiver and manager or judicial manager (including an interim judicial manager) or equivalent in the relevant jurisdiction is appointed of the FHCB's undertaking property or assets, the FHCB offers to or enters into any composition or arrangement with its creditors;
- ix) Being convicted of any offence of such a nature that, in the sole and absolute opinion of MUIS, makes it undesirable for the recognised FHCB to remain recognised under MUIS' Foreign Halal Certification Scheme.
- x) Involvement of any senior management personnel of the FHCB (including without limitation any officers and/or controlling board members of the FHCB) in criminal/financial investigations.
- xi) Undergoing any form of corporate restructure or takeover which results in any change in the proprietorship, partnership, ownership, control, effective voting rights or management of the FHCB to non-Muslim persons.
- xii) Failure to respond, adequately address, rectify, remedy and/or close the Non – Conformance Report (NCR) within the specified timeline provided in the notice despite repeated reminder(s);
- xiii) the occurrence of any other event which, in the sole and absolute opinion of MUIS, makes it undesirable or inappropriate for the FHCB to remain recognised under MUIS' Foreign Halal Certification Scheme,

then in any one of the above cases (unless prohibited by any applicable law in Singapore), MUIS shall be entitled to consider and determine any one or more appropriate actions ("**Appropriate Actions**" and each, an "**Appropriate Action**") to take in response to any Default Event by giving the FHCB notice in writing.

9.2 Appropriate Actions include but are not limited to the following:

- i) Continued Recognition of the FHCB subject to the imposition of additional conditions or variation of conditions then applicable to the FHCB as specified by MUIS in its sole and absolute discretion (including without limitation increased surveillance);
- ii) Increase in the risk category under the risk categorisation assessment framework.
- iii) Issuance of any advisory or warning letter requiring compliance by the FHCB.
- iv) Suspension of the Recognition of the FHCB pending remedial action to be taken by the FHCB.

v) Revocation of the Recognition of the FHCB.

- 9.3 If any one or more Appropriate Actions i), ii), and iii) referred to in paragraph 9.2 is/are taken against the FHCB, MUIS shall notify the FHCB of the remedial actions required to be taken by the FHCB to cease the application of the Appropriate Action and restore the FHCB's Recognition to its original status.

CESSATION OF MUIS RECOGNITION COLLATERALS

- 10.1 Upon revocation (for any reason whatsoever) or expiry of the FHCB's Recognition, the FHCB shall cease to be entitled to use MUIS' letter/ notification/ certificate of Recognition and/or make any related claims of Recognition from the date of the revocation of the Recognition and shall:
- i) Forthwith discontinue any claims of Recognition, not hold itself out as a FHCB granted Recognition, cease to associate itself with MUIS and refrain from any action that may indicate any Recognition of the FHCB.
 - ii) Unless MUIS otherwise directs, forthwith take such steps as are reasonable and necessary to have the claims of Recognition removed, cancelled or obliterated from every place of business, or from every brochure, letter head, business cards, advertisement or publicity materials (in whatever form and whether online and/or offline), vehicle, container or other article, whether in the certificate holder's possession, custody or control or not, to which it has applied a representation of MUIS' Recognition, as the case may be.
- 10.2 Breach or non-compliance of any provision of paragraph 10.1 above is a material breach and MUIS reserves the right to take any action against the FHCB including without limitation:
- i) legal action against the FHCB in Singapore or the country, place or jurisdiction of the FHCB's establishment, incorporation or formation; and/or
 - ii) disqualify the FHCB from making any Applications for a period of five (5) years and to publish such disqualification and the name of the disqualified FHCB on MUIS' official website.

APPEAL PROCEDURE

- 11.1 An applicant for recognition as a foreign halal certification body or a foreign halal certification body may appeal against any decision made by the Majlis under Section 88AA of the Act or these Rules.
- 11.2 The appeal shall be made to the Appeal Committee pursuant to Section 88H of the AMLA and in accordance with all applicable laws (including without limitation Section 88I of the Act).
- 11.3 The appeal shall be submitted within 14 days after the date the decision appealed against is served on the FHCB, marked for the attention of the Chief Executive by way of email to the email address FHCB@muis.gov.sg. The appellant shall comply with such directions as may be given by the Appeal Committee in relation to the conduct of the appeal, including without limitation, the submission of documents and making of submissions on the appeal, whether written or oral.
- 11.4 An appellant whose appeal is dismissed by the Appeal Committee shall be barred from submitting a new application to the Majlis for a period of one year from the date of notification of the decision of the Appeal Committee.

SETTING UP OF SUBSIDIARY

- 12.1 A FHCB may set up a subsidiary in a different country from its origin country except Singapore.
- 12.2 Each of the subsidiary will have to apply for its own Recognition for its certification in that country to be recognised by MUIS.
- 12.3 Subject to paragraph 12.4 below, to facilitate the certification of High-Risk Items from a country with no FHCB or no FHCB recognised by MUIS ("**Relevant Country**"), MUIS shall accept High-Risk Items from the Relevant Country which are certified by a FHCB in a neighbouring country or within the same region.
- 12.4 For the High-Risk Items of meats, poultry and their derivatives, certification of such High-Risk Items must be issued by a FHCB located in the same country as the establishment processing, manufacturing and/or dealing with these items.

OTHER CONDITIONS

- 13.1 The FHCB shall at all times indemnify and keep MUIS fully indemnified against all claims, demands, actions, proceedings, damages, liabilities, losses, expenses or costs of any nature whatsoever (including those asserted by third parties) arising directly or indirectly from any breach by the FHCB and/or applicant of any provision of these Terms and Conditions for MUIS Foreign Halal Certification Bodies Recognition Scheme, or the FHCB's Recognition or otherwise arising from or in connection with the unlawful use of the FHCB's Recognition or other activities associated therewith by the FHCB or applicant.

- 13.2 MUIS may, at any time and from time to time, update these Terms and Conditions for MUIS Foreign Halal Certification Bodies Recognition Scheme and issue circulars/directives as it deems fit, for compliance by the FHCB.
- 13.3 Subject to the appeal procedure, the applicant / FHCB shall accept MUIS' decisions on all Recognition related matters as binding. MUIS' records of all matters relating to the Recognition and Application shall be conclusive and binding on the FHCB or the applicant.
- 13.4 MUIS may review all Applications and / or approvals for FHCBs for MUIS Halal Certification as it deems necessary.
- 13.5 MUIS reserves the right to suspend, revoke/delist the Recognition with immediate effect upon notifying the FHCB of the reasons. Upon the revocation of the FHCB's Recognition, the FHCB shall remove and discontinue any advertisement/marketing collaterals pertaining to its status as a FHCB recognised by MUIS.
- 13.6 Subject to the appeal procedure, MUIS' decisions in respect of all matters shall be final and binding.
- 13.7 These Terms and Conditions for MUIS Foreign Halal Certification Bodies Recognition Scheme shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Singapore.
- 13.8 The FHCB undertakes to ensure that all information submitted to MUIS in respect of the FHCB's application for Recognition and/or throughout the Recognition Period are true and correct and MUIS reserves the right to take action should any inaccuracies, falsehoods or misleading information be found.
- 13.9 By submitting the Application, the FHCB consents to (and shall procure all required consents, from its officers, personnel, employees, auditors, representatives, contractors, and agents (collectively, "**FHCB's Representatives**"), in respect of) all actions taken by MUIS in connection with the collection, storage, use, disclosure and/or processing of the personal data (as defined in the Personal Data Protection Act 2012 of Singapore) of the FHCB's Representatives, provided that these are in compliance with all Singapore laws.
- 13.10 Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph 13.9, the FHCB will ensure that it has all necessary appropriate consents and notices in place to enable the lawful transfer of the personal data of the FHCB's Representatives to MUIS and the lawful collection, storage, use, disclosure and/or processing of the same by MUIS.

ANNEX A – TYPES OF INGREDIENTS

Types of Halal Risk	Low	Medium – Low	Medium – High	High
Definitions	Primarily derived from non-animal sources, which are unprocessed or minimally processed	Primarily derived from non-animal sources that go through further processing without any animal-based additives	Have been highly processed, may involve fermentation or have animal-derived substances added	Contain flavouring, gelatine or meat and its derivatives
Types of Documents Required		General questionnaire (if necessary)	- General questionnaire - MUIS-recognised Halal certificate* or laboratory analysis report (if necessary)	MUIS-recognised Halal certificate*
Examples of ingredients	- Vegetables - Fruits - Pure seafood - Legumes & lentils - Rice - Salt & sugar - Ice - Spices - Synthetic chemicals	- Soy bean products - Flour - Olive oil - Sesame oil - Vegetable oil - Synthetic vinegar - Noodles - Pasta - Food additives (excluding animal-derived E400s)	- Enzymes - Yeast - Cheese & byproducts - E400s Food additives (animal-derived) - Canned foods - Confectionery & pastry - Dairy products - Processed seafood - Sauces & condiments - Pure vinegars	- Meat & meat-based items - Poultry & poultry-based items - Beef extracts - Beef tallow - Chicken skin - Chicken fat - Flavourings - Gelatine

NOTE:

The above list serves as a general guideline and is not exhaustive. MUIS reserves the right, at its sole and absolute discretion, to modify, amend, supplement, revise and/or replace the contents of this list from time to time.

ANNEX B - GLOSSARY

Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA)	An Act relating to Muslims and to make provision for regulating Muslim religious affairs and to constitute a council to advise on matters relating to the Muslim religion in Singapore and a Syariah Court.
Additive	Substances added to food to preserve flavour or enhance its taste and/or appearance
Applicant	Company / Establishment submitting an application for the purpose of Halal certification which include personnel employed by FHCB
Certification Bodies' Assessment (CBA)	CBA is an assessment to recognise individuals' Halal competency as part of the requirement for recognition.
Documentation	Written proof of step-by-step process documenting a routine.
Food	Includes drinks.
Halal	Means "Permissible". Halal, in relation to any product, service or activity, means the requirements of the Muslim law are complied with in the production, processing, marketing, display or carrying out, as the case may be, of that product, service or activity. Refer to the Singapore MUIS Halal Standard for more information.
Halal Management Committee	An internal committee within the FHCB responsible for overseeing and managing Halal certification compliance, implementation of Halal procedures.
Muslim	A person who professes the religion of Islam in accordance with the Islamic Law.
New Application	Fresh application submitted for the purpose of MUIS FHCB Recognition.
Processing Aid	Any substance or material, not including apparatus or utensils, and not consumed as a food ingredient by itself, intentionally used in the processing of raw materials, foods or its ingredients, to fulfil a certain technological purpose during treatment or processing.
Product	Refers to any food and non-food substance or material, which may be unprocessed, semi-processed or fully-processed, that may be bought, used, manufactured and/or distributed by a company / establishment. Refers also to the stock-keeping unit.
Raw Material	Crude or processed material that can be converted by manufacture, processing or combination into a new and useful product.

Renewal Application	Application initiated to renew the status of the existing MUIS Recognition not less than 4 months.
Shariah Committee	A committee of Islamic scholars that issues fatwas and religious guidance to ensure Halal certification compliance with Islamic law (Shariah).
Shariah Auditors	Auditors who verify compliance with Islamic law during Halal certification.
Technical Auditors	Auditors who assess production processes and facilities for Halal certification compliance.

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