# Particulars

# **About Your Organisation**

# 1.1 Member Name

Japanese Consumers' Co-operative Union

# 1.2 Membership Number

3-0098-17-000-00

### **1.3 Membership Sector**

Retailers

## 1.4 Membership Category

Ordinary

### 1.5 Country

Japan

2.0 Does your company or organisation produce, process, consume or sell any palm oil or any products containing derivatives of palm oil?

Yes

2.1 Please select all description(s) that describe the palm oil-related activities of your company or organisation. Multiple selections are allowed, and not limited to the primary sector of the member's RSPO membership. You will be required to complete the relevant ACOP section based on your selection(s).

- I own and operate oil palm estate(s) and/or palm oil mill(s)
- I represent a palm oil Independent Smallholder farmer Group
- I own and operate independent palm oil mills
- I own and operate independent palm kernel crushing plants Processors and/or Traders
- I trade or broker palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products Processors and/or Traders
- I am a refiner of palm oil or palm kernel oil Processors and/or Traders
- I am a processor of intermediate (B2B) palm oil, palm kernel oil or related fractions/derivatives Processors and/or Traders
- 🗌 I am a B2B distributor or wholesaler of palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products Processors and/or Traders
- I manufacture final consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products. This includes products manufactured by 3rd party contractors Consumer Goods Manufacturers
- I retail final consumer (B2C) products containing palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products Retailers
- I operate food retail outlets that use palm oil, palm kernel oil or related products Retailers
- I am a conservation and environmental NGO supporting the sustainable development of the palm oil industry
- I am a social and human development NGO supporting the sustainable development of the palm oil industry

# Retailers

# **1. Operational Profile**

1.1 Please state your company's main activity(ies) within the palm oil supply chain. Please select all options that apply to your operations.

$\mathbf{\nabla}$	Retail - with own brand products
	Retail - without own brand products
	Food service providers
$\checkmark$	Retail wholesalers
	Other
Oth	ler

# 2. Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption

Information in Section 2.0 - Palm Oil and Certified Sustainable Palm Oil Consumption - is a mandatory declaration in your ACOP. This includes volume data on palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products consumed, to enable the RSPO to accurately calculate uptake of individual members, sectors and RSPO members as a whole. ACOP reports without reported volume data will be considered as incomplete and will not be accepted. Incomplete ACOP reports may lead to suspension or termination of RSPO membership.

2.1 Please list down all operations and subsidiaries using palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products that are owned and/or managed by the member, including those under Group Membership

We use palm oil as ingredients of our own-brand goods such as processed food and detergent.

#### 2.1.1 In which markets does your company sell goods with palm oil and oil palm products?

Rest of the World

DL.2.0 In order to facilitate ease of reporting and transparency, RSPO members operating within the palm oil demand supply chain can now choose to report palm oil and palm oil product volumes on:

an aggregate level (as in previous ACOP reporting cycles)

2.2 Total volume of uncertified and certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products purchased for use in your company's own-brand products. Third-party brand products containing palm oil should be excluded.

Description	Tonnes	
Total volume of crude palm oil (tonnes)	2537.00	
Total volume of crude palm kernel oil (tonnes)	121.00	
Total volume of palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.00	
Total volume of crude palm oil/palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions (tonnes)	1700.00	
Total	4358.00	

2.2.1 Please estimate the percentage of derivatives and fractions (reported in Question RT.2.2) derived from palm oil or from palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based derivatives.

Description	Percentage
Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	34
Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	66

2.3 Please estimate the regional distribution of your company's uncertified and certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products sales (as declared in Question 2.2) in the following countries/regions.

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	0
North America	0
Malaysia	0
Indonesia	0
China	0
India	0
Latin America	0
Africa	0
Rest of World	100

2.4 Total volume of RSPO-certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products purchased for use in your company's own-brand products. Third-party brand products containing palm oil should be excluded.

Description	Crude/Refined Palm Oil (CSPO)		Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)	Certified Derivatives and Fractions
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	2214.00	103.00	0.00	1671.00
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mass Balance (MB)	323.00	18.00	0.00	29.00
Segregated (SG)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	2537.00	121.00	0.00	1700.00

2.4.1 Please estimate the percentage of RSPO-certified derivatives and fractions (reported in Question RT.2.4) derived from RSPO-certified palm oil or from RSPO-certified palm kernel oil. The default split for volumes is assumed to be 80% palm oil-based derivatives and 20% palm kernel oil-based

Description	Percentage
Certified Palm oil-based derivatives and fractions	34
Certified Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	66

2.5 According to the volume information you have provided in Question 2.2 and Question 2.4, your company's Certified Sustainable Palm Oil uptake is:

100.00%

2.5.1 Please provide additional information on your certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products uptake. This may include your usage of RSPO Credits to cover gaps in certified uptake, changes due to business environment, variations due to stock positions or efforts to support independent smallholders beyond volume commitments.

# 2.6 Please estimate the regional distribution of your company's RSPO certified palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products (as declared in Question RT.2.4) in the following countries/regions:

Countries/Regions	Percentage
Europe	0
North America	0
Malaysia	0
Indonesia	0
China	0
India	0
Latin America	0
Africa	0
Rest of World	100

# 3. TimeBound Plan

3.1 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products in own-brand products

2012

3.1.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.

Target already achieved.

**3.2** Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using only RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil, palm kernel oil and related products from any supply chain option in own-brand products.

2019

3.2.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.

Target already achieved.

3.3 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using only RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil and palm oil products from physical supply chain options (Identity Preserved, Segregated and/or Mass Balance) in own-brand products.

2030

3.3.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.

In 3.3 we selected '2030' for convenience, however actually not decided yet. As a reason, manufacturers, producing our own brand, are not necessarily RSPO members. We are calling on RSPO members to switch to RSPO-certified sustainable palm oil , and also are seeking non-RSPO members to join RSPO. It is difficult to specify the term at this time, because it takes time and cost to achieve the goal 100%.

# 3.4 If the TimeBound Plan commitments declared above do not cover all countries in which the member operates, please explain why

# 4. Trademark Use

4.1 Does your company use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products?

Yes			

4.2 Please select the countries where your company uses or intends to use the Trademark

Japan

4.2.1 Which year did your company begin (or expects to begin) using the RSPO Trademark

2018

# 5. Actions for Next Reporting Period

5.1 Please outline activities that your company will take in the coming year to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)

- Participation in RSPO Working Group or Task Forces
- Support Independent Smallholders (ISH)
- Contribute to the RSPO Smallholder Trainer Academy
- Financial contribution to the RSPO Smallholder Support Fund
- Direct investments in Smallholder Certification projects
- Involvement/direct investments in Jurisdictional/Landscape approach
- Direct/collective investments in conservation and restoration initiatives
- Financial contribution to support members with Remediation and Compensation (RaCP) process, direct/collective investments in conservation and restoration initiatives
- Allocating FTE to promote the production or consumption of certified sustainable oil palm products
- Specific policies and action plans by the member to promote CSPO production or consumption in the upstream or downstream supply chain, including target dates or broader policies that include such efforts
- No activities planned
- Others

Other

By funding a program supported by WWF towards independent small-scale farmers in West Kalimantan, Indonesia.

# **Shared Responsibility**

The Board of Governors of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil approved new Shared Responsibility rules on 31 October 2019, requiring all members to share sustainability requirements and obligations. Reporting of Shared Responsibility (SR) requirements will be done through ACOP and MyRSPO. As the process of verification of the reports is in development, the Shared Responsibility section in ACOP may change in future ACOP cycles. Evidence to show compliance to the SR requirements shall be uploaded via your membership profile in MyRSPO. Please login to your MyRSPO account and upload the relevant policies, plans and relevant reports there. If you do not have a policy or your policy does not cover all items, you will be required to provide a Declaration of Support for the relevant policy items in your MyRSPO profile. Additional information on the required policies and plans applicable to all sectors as well as the annual uptake targets for supply chain actors can be found on https://rspo.org/members/shared-responsibility or email the Shared Responsibility team at sharedresponsibility@rspo.org.

### Information & Public Availability

1.1 Does your company have organisational management documents publicly-available?

Yes

Ethical Conduct & Human Rights

1.2 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Ethical Conduct & Human Rights?

Yes

**1.2.1 Does the policy cover:** 

Recruitment

Contractors

Suppliers and Sub-Contractors

#### Legal Compliance

1.3 Does your company comply with all applicable legal requirements?

Yes

1.4 Does your company require its third party contractors to comply with legal requirements, i.e. including a clause on legal compliance in the contracts?

Yes

**Complaints & Grievances** 

1.5 Does your company have a Grievance Mechanism that is accessible to all affected parties?

No

# Land Use & FPIC

1.6 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Commitment to respect Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) in the Palm Oil Supply chain?

No
Smallholders
1.7 Does your company support oil palm smallholders (groups)?
Yes
1.7.1 Does your company report on the actions to support the inclusion of smallholders?
Yes
Labour & Labour Rights
1.8 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Labour & Labour Rights?
Yes
1.8.1 Does the policy cover:
✓ No discrimination and equal opportunities
Pay and working conditions at least at legal or industry minimum standards and are sufficient to provide decent living wages (DLW)
✓ Freedom of association and Collective bargaining
Y Protection of children, as well as the workforce of suppliers and third-party contractors
Prevention of all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment
✓ No forced or trafficked labour
Occupational Health & Safety
1.9 Does your company have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?
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Yes
1.9.1 Does your company have a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Occupational Health & Safety?
Yes

#### Waste Management

1.10a Does your company have a waste management plan that includes reduction, recycling, reusing and disposal based on the hazardous characteristics?

No

Water Management

1.11 Does your company have a water management plan to promote efficient use and continued availability of water sources?

No

**Energy Use** 

1.12 Does your company have an energy use plan to improve the efficiency of the fossil fuels used and to optimise renewable energy?

No

Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG)

1.13 Does your company have a publicly-available policy covering Climate Change & Greenhouse Gas (GHG) including identification and assessment of GHG emissions and implementation of a plan to reduce or minimise them?

Yes

# **Challenges and Support**

1.1 What significant obstacles or challenges has your company encountered in the promotion of certified sustainable palm oil (CSPO)? What efforts has your company taken to address these obstacles or challenges?

- Awareness of RSPO in the market
- Difficulties in the certification process
- Certification of smallholders
- Competition with non-RSPO members
- High costs in achieving or adhering to certification
- Human rights issues
- Insufficient demand for RSPO-certified palm oil
- Low usage of palm oil
- Reputation of palm oil in the market
- Reputation of RSPO in the market
- Supply issues
- Traceability issues
- No challenges faced
- Others

### Others

# **1.2** In addition to the actions already reported in this ACOP report, what other ways has your company supported the vision of the RSPO to transform markets to make sustainable palm oil the norm?

- Communication and/or engagement to transform the negative perception of palm oil
- Engagement with business partners or consumers on the use of CSPO
- Engagement with government agencies
- Engagement with peers and clients
- Promotion of CSPO through off product claims
- Promotion of CSPO outside of RSPO venues such as trade workshops or industry associations
- Promotion of physical CSPO
- Providing funding or support for CSPO development efforts
- Research & Development support
- Stakeholder engagement
- No actions taken
- Others

Others

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**1.3** If your company has any other publicly-available reports or information regarding its palm oil-related policies and activities, please provide the links here

None