## **Particulars**

**About Your Organisation** 

1.1 Member Name
Restaurant Brands International Inc.
1.2 Membership Number
3-0090-16-000-00
1.3 Membership Sector
Retailers
1.4 Membership Category
Ordinary
1.5 Country
Canada
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

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## 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.
✓ Retail - with own brand products
Retail - without own brand products
✓ Food service providers
Retail wholesalers
Other
Other
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.
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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)

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2.2 Total volume of RSPO-certified (IP, MB, SG and RSPO Credits/Book and Claim) and Non 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	Tonnes
Total volume of crude palm oil (tonnes)	55549.00
Total volume of crude palm kernel oil (tonnes)	0.00
Total volume of palm kernel expeller (tonnes)	0.00
Total volume of crude palm oil/palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions (tonnes)	0.00
Total	55549.00

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	0
Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	0

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	15
North America	39
Malaysia	2
Indonesia	1
China	16
India	6
Latin America	2
Africa	2
Rest of World	17

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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)	Crude/Refined Palm Kernel Oil (CSPKO)	Palm Kernel Expeller (CSPKE)	Certified Derivatives and Fractions
RSPO Credits from Mill / Crusher	2399.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RSPO Credits from Independent Smallholder	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mass Balance (MB)	46447.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Segregated (SG)	6703.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Identity Preserved (IP)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	55549.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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	0
Certified Palm kernel oil-based derivatives and fractions	0

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.

The Burger King, Tim Hortons, and Popeyes brands are committed to the long-term goal of sourcing palm oil that does not contribute to deforestation 1 nor development on peatlands and protects both High Conservation Value 2 and High Carbon Stock 3 areas. For these brands, our goal is that all palm oil directly sourced and used as an ingredient at greater than 1% in our approved branded food products (excluding third-party branded products, as well as cooking oil used in food products sold in Turkey) be supplied through a Roundtable for Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) certified supply chain or covered by RSPO credits to an equivalent volume, supporting the production of sustainable palm oil.

1Deforestation defined by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization 2High Conservation Value defined by Forest Stewardship Council

3High Carbon Stock defined by High Carbon Stock Approach

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

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## 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
2015
3.1.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.
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.
2022
3.2.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.
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.
2023
3.3.1 If the previous target year has not been met, please explain why.
The target year indicated above included our use of credits to cover gaps in certified uptake. In 2023, 100% of palm oil volumes within the scope of our sourcing policy were covered by RSPO certification or credits, with 96% of volumes being RSPO-certified Mass Balance or better.
We have been increasing our % of RSPO-certified Mass Balance or better volumes. We haven't achieved 100% due to delays in some facility audits as well as due to new country entries, in which the small volumes make it an obstacle for suppliers to become fully certified.
As our business expands, we will work with our franchisees and suppliers to become compliant with our commitment.
3.4 If the TimeBound Plan commitments declared above do not cover all countries in which the member operates, please explain why
Turkey & Russia excluded as supply chains are separately managed.

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#### 4. Trademark Use

	4.1 Does your company use or plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products?  No		
4.3	Please explain why your company does not plan to use the RSPO Trademark in own-brand products		
	Challenging reputation of palm oil		
	Confusion among end-consumers		
	Costs of changing labels		
	Difficulty of applying for RSPO Trademark		
	Lack of customer demand		
	Limited label space		
	Low consumer awareness		
	Low usage of palm oil		
	Risk of supply disruption		
<b>Y</b>	Others		

#### Others

Given our brands' restaurant environments, products and packaging, the RSPO trademark cannot currently be applied. Our commitment to sustainable palm oil will continue to be prominently featured within our sustainability website, which is readily accessible for our guests, investors, restaurant owners, and any other interested parties.

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## 5. Actions for Next Reporting Period

	Please outline activities that your company will take in the coming year to promote the production or issumption 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
$\checkmark$	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
<b>Y</b>	Others
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	e will also provide support to suppliers and franchisees to set up supply chains where CSPO is accessible and immercially practical for use in products sold in our restaurants.

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## **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.

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SR 1. Transparency
1.1 Does your organisation have organisational management documents publicly-available?
Yes
SR 2. Ethical Conduct
1.2 Does your organisation have a publicly-available policy covering Ethical Conduct, including for recruitment and contractors?
Yes
SR 3 and SR 4. Legal Compliance
1.3 Does your organisation comply with all applicable legal requirements?
Yes
1.4 Does your organisation require its third party contractors to comply with legal requirements?
Yes
SR 7. Claims and labels
1.7a Does your organisation promote the use of off-product RSPO claims and labels?
No
SR 8. Information and outreach activities
1.8 Does you organisation implement transparent communication and outreach activities to promote sustainable palm oil?
Yes
SR 9. Human Rights
1.9 Does your organisation have a publicly-available Policy on respect for human rights, including for suppliers and sub-contractors?
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SR 10. Complaints & Grievances
1.10 Does your organisation have a Grievance Mechanism that is accessible to all affected parties?
Yes
1.10.1 Is your Grievance mechanism in line with the principles of the RSPO's Complaints System?
Yes
SR 11 and SR 12. Land Use and FPIC
1.11a Does your organisation have a policy covering Commitment to respect Free Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) in the operational Palm Oil Supply chain?
Yes
1.11a.1 Does your organisation have a procedure in place to identify legal, customary or user rights, and people entitled to compensation?
No
SR 13 and SR 14. Smallholders inclusion
1.13 Does your organisation support oil palm smallholders (groups)?
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No
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SR 15 - SR 20. Labour & Labour Rights
1.15 Does your organisation have a publicly-available policy covering Labour & Labour Rights?
Yes
1.15.1 Does the policy cover:
✓ No discrimination and equal opportunities
Y Pay and conditions of the workers.
✓ Freedom of association and Collective bargaining
✓ Protection of children and remediation for suppliers and third party contractors.
✓ Prevention of all forms of harassment, including sexual harassment
✓ No forced or trafficked labour

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Yes

SR 21. Occupational Health & Safety
1.21 Does your organisation have a publicly-available Policy covering Occupational Health & Safety?
Yes
SR 22. Waste Management
1.22a Does your organisation have a waste management plan that includes reduction, recycling, reusing and disposal based on the hazardous characteristics?
No
SR 23. Water Management
1.23 Does your organisation have a water management plan to promote efficient use and continued availability of water sources?
No
SR 24. Energy Use
1.24 Does your organisation have an energy use plan to improve the efficiency of the fossil fuels used and to optimise renewable energy?
Yes
1.24.1 Are there records of implementation of the plan ie. monitoring and reporting?
Yes
SR 25. Cllimate Change and Greenhouse Gases (GHG)
1.25 Does your organisation 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?

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SR 26. Promotion of certification/uptake
1.26b Does your organisation meet the SR CSPO uptake target?
Yes
SR 27. Sustainable Palm Oil Policy
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1.27a Does your organisation have other relevant policies as a sustainable palm oil sourcing policy?
Yes
SR 28 and SR 29. Support and resourcing
1.28 Does your organisation provides services and support to RSPO and resources to implement SR?
No

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# **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
The most significant challenge we continue to face is the availability of competitively priced physical supplies of CSPO. As we work to find solutions, we continue to strongly encourage that all of our palm oil suppliers are members of the RSPO where applicable and adhere to our Code of Business Ethics and Conduct for Vendors.
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
The Restaurant Brands International Code of Business Ethics and Conduct for Vendors (the "Code") communicates our requirements and expectations with respect to business integrity, sustainability and working conditions. The Code outlines our expectations and provides direction to our commitments with respect to responsible sourcing practices. It directs vendors to our other policy documents and to our Sustainability Website, in which we communicate our palm oil sourcing

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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

Forest Commitment: https://www.rbi.com/sustainability/responsible-sourcing/forest-commitment/ Palm Oil Sourcing Policy: https://s26.q4cdn.com/317237604/files/doc\_downloads/2022/06/Palm-Oil-Sourcing-Policy-FINAL-2022.pd

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