REGISTRATION FORM

Support programme for standard-form trees (2022 to 2025)

The support programme for standard-form trees, a collaboration between Hochstamm Suisse and myclimate, supports farms (members of the Hochstamm Suisse association) with the planting and regular upkeep of newly planted standard-form trees. The aim is to preserve and cultivate standard-form trees in order to make an active contribution to climate protection and biodiversity.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

– Funding will be provided for new planting of standard-form trees in Switzerland in the years 2022 to 2025.
– The farm must be a member of the Hochstamm Suisse association and located in Switzerland.
– The standard-form trees that will be planted must be fruit trees. Support is provided for stone fruit/pip fruit, chestnut and walnut trees with a trunk height of at least 1.60m (1.20m for stone fruit with some exceptions, e.g. apricots) or in accordance with the respective current standard trunk guidelines. Only standard field fruit trees of biodiversity promotion quality level II (QII) according to the Direct Payments Ordinance (DZV) are accepted in order to meet future requirements regarding biodiversity and marketing.
– The plan provides for planting of at least ten trees (close together or on the same plot). – Payment of the definitive planting and maintenance subsidy (see below) takes place after planting of the plant material and after submission of the corresponding documents (copy of the proof of purchase for seedlings and confirmation of planting).
– The trees must be cultivated for a minimum of ten years. Planted trees that fail within ten years of planting as a result of disease or other damage (storm, etc.) must be replaced in the next planting period (spring or autumn), with the costs borne by the farm.
– The trees are planted by the farm itself. Each young tree must be equipped with a support pole and a tree guard as a minimum. The farm is responsible for the correct and regular maintenance/pruning of the trees (good agricultural practice).
– The farm does not receive any additional funds from private-sector companies or from any other support programme (including Hochstamm Suisse support programmes) for the planting of the trees. Funding from this programme can be cumulated with funds (direct payments) from the federal government, canton or municipalities. Funding from the Coop and myclimate agroforestry support programme cannot be cumulated.
– All emission reduction rights (ER) generated through this support programme are ceded to myclimate and cannot be counted elsewhere. That means the tree planting cannot count towards the farm’s own or any other carbon offsetting.
– All participants in the support programme automatically take part in annual monitoring¹.
– As a participant in the support programme, you declare your consent to myclimate and/or Hochstamm Suisse carrying out a project visit.
– All other checks in connection with this programme will be integrated into the existing farm audits (every four years) for the Hochstamm Suisse certification (minimal extra costs).
– At the time of this registration, the trees must not yet have been ordered from the nursery (see “Contractual provisions”). The trees may only be ordered once the contract has been signed and receipt confirmed.

☐ I hereby confirm my full compliance with the conditions of participation above.

**CONTACT DETAILS OF PARTICIPATING FARM**

First name/last name: …………………………………………………………………………………………..
Name of farm: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Address: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Postcode and town/city: ……………………………………………………………………………………………
Email: …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Telephone: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………
Agrosolution no. ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

**DETAILS OF PLANTING PLAN**

Number of trees: …………………………………………………..
Planned fruit, including variety: …………………………………………………..
Planned planting date (or period): …………………………………………………..

**PLANTING AND MAINTENANCE SUBSIDY**

The participating farm will receive a one-off planting and maintenance subsidy of CHF 105 plus VAT per tree for the work involved in the new planting and regular maintenance (only as long as stock lasts). Payment will take place after planting of the plant material and after submission of the corresponding documents (copy of the proof of purchase for the seedlings and confirmation of planting).

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¹ For the monitoring, the standard checks for the Hochstamm Suisse certification will include verification / a plausibility check of whether the registered standard-form trees are still standing.
CONTRACTUAL PROVISIONS

By submitting the registration form, you are formally presenting an application for inclusion in the support programme for standard-form trees run by the Foundation myclimate and the Hochstamm Suisse association. You are thereby confirming that all the above conditions of participation are met. If the application to join the programme is successful, a participation contract will then be signed between Hochstamm Suisse and the farm.

Your details will be treated confidentially and will not be used for any other purpose.

The plant materials can be ordered after signing of the participation contract.

Place, date:_________________________________________ Signature:_________________________________________

Please send the completed and signed registration form to info@hochstammsuisse.ch or by post to the following address: Hochstamm Suisse, Dornacherstrasse 192, 4053 Basel