

# BRC Global Standard for Agents and Brokers



Developed to meet the needs of the food industry, this standard covers brokers, agents, importers and exporters.

It has five core requirements:

- senior management commitment
- hazard and risk assessment
- product safety and quality management system
- supplier and subcontracted service management
- personnel

Specific categories of products are covered for food products, food packing materials and pet foods.

## Who should use BRC Agents and Brokers?

The standard was created to provide confidence in organizations involved in the sourcing and trading of food products, food packing materials and pet foods. This includes:

- Brokers that purchase or 'take title to' products for resale to manufacturers, other brokers, retailers or food service companies, but not directly to the consumer.
- Agents or non-manufacturing service providers that trade between a manufacturer or broker and their customer but do not at any point own or take title to the goods. This includes companies that provide services to facilitate the safe and legal trade of products.
- Importers/exporters who facilitate the movement of products across national boundaries, satisfying legal and customs requirements. Importers and exporters may also be agents and/or brokers.

## Why choose the BRC agents and brokers standard?

### Benefits

- Unique to this industry and is globally recognized through the BRC brand
- Product safety and quality with a specific traceability, product security and food defence focus
- Reduced audit burden (BRC certification is recognized by many retailers around the world, so a BRC-certified system may meet the needs of many of your customers)
- Product safety and quality focussed
- Increased customer confidence, opening new market opportunities
- Clearly defined risk-based requirements based on due diligence requirements



## Additional benefits

### Customer confidence

Whether you're an established global supplier or trading locally, the BRC Global Standard for Agents and Brokers ensures your customers have confidence in your operational services and supply chain management. Many retailers, brand owners, raw material processors and packaging manufacturers worldwide support BRC Global Standards and accept them as part of their supplier approval processes.

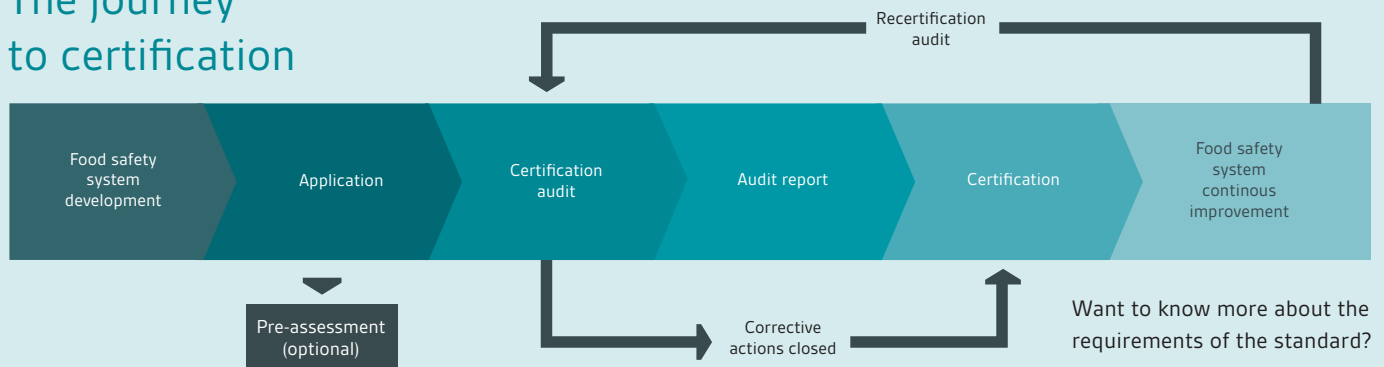
### Achievable

Developed by industry experts, the BRC Global Standard for Agents and Brokers is rigorous and detailed, yet easy to understand. The BRC Global Standard is designed to reflect best practice and provide a common sense, risk-based approach to product safety and certification.

### Cost effective

There is a straightforward certification process, which means there are no hidden costs. If your business is prepared and confident about product safety, the only cost will be for the audit.

## The journey to certification




## Advance your food safety skills Training with BSI

Our training courses will help you meet customer requirements and ensure your food products are in line with global food safety best practice.

Organizations involved in the food supply chain are responsible for sourcing and delivering safe food to the highest quality. From understanding the principles and application of HACCP or ISO 22000 Food Safety to implementing effective internal audit processes and managing food safety challenges like labelling and recalls, our expert trainers help you meet customer requirements and ensure your food products are in line with global food safety best practice.

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## Why BSI?



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