



SA Certification Forest Certification Public Report



Manager/Owner/**organisation**
(Certificate Holder):

Statskog SF Skog

Forest Name/**Group Name**:

Statskog SF; Statskog Glomma; Statskog Børresen; Meraker Brug

Region and Country:

Standard:

PEFC N 02:2022 Norwegian PEFC Forest Standard

Certificate Code:

SA-PEFC-FM-014941

PEFC License Code:

PEFC/03-22-15

Date of certificate issue:

27.09.2024

Date of expiry of certificate:

26.09.2029

	Assessment date	Date Report Finalised/Updated	SA Auditor	Checked by	Approved by
MA/RA	17-21.06.2024	05-sep-24	Karina Seeberg Kitnaes	John Rogers	John Rogers
S1	03-06.06.2025	29-aug-25	Michael Koldsø, Jeppe Aaquist, Karina Kitnaes	Antonia Dunwoody	Antonia Dunwoody
S2					
S3					
S4					

Disclaimer: auditing is based on a sampling process of the available information.

Please note that the main text of this report is publicly available on request

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1,0	BASIC INFORMATION		
1,1	Certification Body	Soil Association Certification Ltd	
1.1.1	Certificate registration code	SA-PEFC-FM-014941	
1.1.2	Type of certification	PEFC Only	
1.1.2.1	PEFC ONLY - Norway and Sweden - it is also necessary that you have ISO 14001 certification - please provide a copy of your certificate.	E8797	
1,2	Details of forest manager/owner/contractor/wood procurement organisation (Certificate holder)		
1.2.1	Company name and legal entity	Statskog SF Skog	
1.2.2	Company name and legal entity in local language	Statskog	
1.2.3	Company registration number	NO 966056258	
1.2.4	Contact person	Jostein Saus; Monica Grindberg	
1.2.5	Business address	Søren R. Thornæs vei 10, NO – 7800 Namsos	
1.2.6	Country	Norway	
1.2.7	Tel	-	
1.2.8	Fax	-	
1.2.9	e-mail	jns@statskog.no mgb@statskog.no	
1.2.10	web page address	www.statskog.no	
1.2.11	Application information completed by duly authorised representative	Jostein Saus	
1.2.12	Any particular logistics for travel arrangements to the site or between the sites?	N/A	
1,3	Scope of certificate		
1.3.1	Type of certificate	Single	
1.3.1.a	Type of operation	Forest owners	
1.3.1.b	Type of operation	Forest management	
1.3.2.a	Name(s) of the forest/organisations covered by the certificate	See Annex 7 for multiple sites	
1.3.2.b	Number of group members	N/A	
1.3.3	Number of Forest Management Units (FMUs)	4	
1.3.4	Country	Norway	
1.3.5	Region	Whole country	
1.3.6	Latitude	See Annex 7	
1.3.7	Longitude	See Annex 7	
1.3.8	Hemisphere	North	
1.3.9	Forest Zone or Biome	Boreal	
1.3.10b	PEFC Notification Fee:	PEFC Norway invoices the CH directly	
1,4	Forest management		Choose from:
1.4.1	Type of enterprise	Government	
	Tenure management	State	
	Ownership	State	
	Outsourced processes or consultancy by third parties	Contractors are used for the practical forest planning, surveying and harvesting, planting, soil preparation operations etc. - all uses and have direct access to the State Forest digital tools and data.	

1.4.2	Total area (hectares)	4.675.245,00	
1.4.3	Forest Type	Semi-natural	
1.4.4	Forest Composition	Coniferous dominant	
	List of High Nature Values	Norwegian redlisted species; Nature types value A and B, Key habitats, Biologically important areas including dead wood, Birds of prey and owls, capercaillie leks, other breeding birds; Water protection; Wetlands and swamp forest; Forests affected by fire; Cultural monuments and cultural environments	
1.4.6	Plantation species category	N/A	
1.4.7	Principal Species	See Annex 3	
1.4.8	Annual allowable cut (cu.m.yr)	N/A (this is not applied in Norway)	
	Actual Annual Cut (cu.m.yr)	N/A	
1.4.9	Product categories	Roundwood (logs)	
1.4.10	Point of sale	Roadside	
1.4.11	Number of workers – Employees	m: 86 f: 43 Total: 129	
1.4.12	Contractors/Community/other workers	m: 30 f: 3 Total: 33	
1.4.13	Pilot Project	N/A	
1.4.16	Division of FMUs	Number	Area
	100 ha – 1000 ha	0	0
	1000 ha – 10,000 ha	0	0
	More than 10,000 ha	4	4.675.245
	Total	4	4.675.245

1,0	Basisinformation Dansk		
1,1	Certificeringsfirma Soil Association Certification Ltd		
1.1.1	Certifikatkode	SA-PEFC-FM-014941	
1.1.2	Type certificering	PEFC	
1.1.2.1		E8797	
1,2	Information om skovforvaltningen/ejeren/entreprenøren (certifikatholder)		
1.2.1	Virksomhedsnavn	Statskog SF Skog	
1.2.2	Virksomhedsnavn på lokal sprog	Statskog	
1.2.3	Registreringsnr.	NO 966056258	
1.2.4	Kontaktperson	Jostein Saus; Monica Grindberg	
1.2.5	Adresse	Søren R. Thornæs vei 10, NO – 7800 Namsos	
1.2.6	Land	Norway	
1.2.7	Tlf.	-	
1.2.8	Fax	-	
1.2.9	E-mail	jns@statskog.no mgb@statskog.no	
1.2.10	Hjemmeside	www.statskog.no	
1.2.11	Ansøgningsinformationer udfyldt af	Jostein Saus	
1.2.12	Information om særlige logistiske forhold?	N/A	
1,3	Certifikatets dækning		
1.3.1	Certifikattype	Enkelt	
1.3.1.a	Type operation	Skogeier	
1.3.1.b		Skogsforvaltning	
1.3.2.a	Navn på skoven dækket af certifikatet	Se vedleg 7 for organisasjoner/eiendommer	
1.3.2.b	Antal gruppedlemmer		
1.3.3	Antal skovenheder		4
1.3.4	Land	Norge	
1.3.5	Region	Alle	
1.3.6	Bredegrad	Se vedlegg 7	
1.3.7	Længdegrad	Se vedlegg 7	
1.3.8	Hemisfære	Nordlig	
1.3.9	Skovzone eller -biome	Boreal	
1.3.10b		PEFC Norge fakturerer direkte	
1,4	Skovforvaltningen		
1.4.1	Type foretagende	Stat	
	Forvaltning	Stat	
	Ejerskab	Stat	
	Underleverancer ved tredjepart	Entreprenører brukes til al praktisk planlegging, overvåkning, hogst, plantning, ungskogpleie, gødsling, markberedning.	Skogressource prognose, resultat volumen 5 års perioder, identificere bestande, disse gives adgang til entreprenørerne: praktisk planlægning af driften, maskinfører osv. genopretning, registrerer avvik i Statskog system, opfølgende tiltak: fx nlanntnina markherednina.

1.4.2	Total areal (hektarer)	4.675.245,00	
1.4.3	Skovtype	Semi-naturlig	
1.4.4	Skovkomposition	Bartredominert	
	Liste over høye naturverdier	Norske rødlistede arter, Naturtype A og B verdi, nøkkelbiotoper, Biologisk viktige områder; Hensyn til rovfugler og ugler; tiurleik; hekkende fugler; Vannbeskyttelse; Myr og sumpskog; Brannpåvirket skog; Kulturminner og kulturmiljøer	
1.4.6	Plantage artskategori	Ikke relevant	
1.4.7	Primære trærarter	Se vedlegg 3	
1.4.8	Årlig tilladte hugst (m3/år)	N/A (this is not applied in Norway)	
	Faktiske årlig produktion (m3/år)	N/A	
1.4.9	Produktkategorier	Rundvirke, tømmer	
1.4.10	Salgssted	Veiside	
1.4.11	Antal medarbejdere	m: 86 f: 43 129	
1.4.12	Antal entreprenører/andre	m: 30 f: 3 33	
1.4.13	Pilotprosjekt	N/A	
1.4.16	Division af skovenheder	Antal	Areal
	100 - 1000 ha	0	0
	1000 ha – 10,000 ha	0	0
	Mere end 10,000 ha	4	4.675.245
	Total	4	4.675.245

3	THE CERTIFICATION ASSESSMENT PROCESS
3,1	Assessment dates Pre-assessment dates N/A (this is a reassessment) Main Assessment dates 17-21.06.2024 Itinerary 17.06.2024 Opening meeting; Jostein, Monica, Andreas, Kjell Anders, Ola, Håvard, Wiggo, Rune, Morten 17.06.2024 Audit: Review of documentation and systems, staff interviews 18.06.2024 Site visits; Statskog SF; Meraker Bruk 19.06.2024 Document review 20.06.2024 Site visit; Børresen, Glomma 21.06.2024 Document review and Closing meeting: Jostein, Andreas, Kjell Anders, Ola, Håvard, Wiggo, Rune, Morten Estimate of person days to implement assessment 8 person days including time spent on preparatory work, actual audit days, consultation and report writing (excluding travel)
3.1a	Any deviation from the audit plan and their reasons? N If Y describe issues below):
3.1b	Any significant issues impacting on the audit programme N (If Y describe issues below):
3,2	Assessment team - See also A15 Checklist for Opening and Closing Meeting The assessment team consisted of: (give names and organisation) Karina S. Kitnaes, auditor, TL, and business manager at WSP Danmark. M.Sc. biologist from Aarhus University. More than 25 years of professional experience as expert on forest ecology and Natura 2000 implementation in Eastern and Northern Europe and with EUTR, SBP, FSC/PEFC FM and COC certification. Since 2001, she has performed countless biomass verifications and evaluations of forest managements, chain-of-custodies against applicable and qualifying standards in Denmark, Belarus, England, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malaysia, Norway, Poland, Scotland, Russia (Siberia), Slovakia and Sweden. Team members' c.v.'s are held on file at the SA office.
3.2.1	Report author Karina Seeberg Kitnaes
3,3	Report Peer review Not relevant
3,4	Certification decision See annex 11
3,5	Rationale for approach to assessment The assessment involved review of relevant group and management planning documentation and records, site visits, discussion with forest managers and workers and completion of the group and forest management checklists. The number of sites selected was based on the sampling calculation given in Annex 8. Sites were selected to include areas of recent or on-going operations, areas of public access, areas of conservation value and to include group members not previously visited by Soil Association Certification.

3,6	Justification for selection of items and places inspected a) 232 final harvest, sheltertree harvest; 270 final harvest, retention trees, buffer zones towards moist zones, along water stream; 268 åpen final harvest, soil preparation, planting, 268 final harvest, buffer zones towards key biotope and towards open peatland b) 227 final harvest, crossing by creating bridge to ward damage to water stream, 934 final harvest of contorta pine to replant native spruce, 361 final harvest with buffer zone towards steep rock edge with protected zone. c) 306 young seedling stand with tending; 264; final harvest, sheltertree and seed trees for natural regeneration, 268 thinning of spruce, 267 final harvest sheltertree harvest; 269 final harvest and shelter tree harvest. d) 262 sheltertree harvest, replaning, buffer zones towards multiple cultural heritage zones, final harvest with protection and buffer zone towards key biotop, edge zones towards mires and peatlands, final harvest, with buffer zones towards moist zones.
3,7	Audit Objectives, Criteria and Standards used (inc version and date approved)
3.7.1	Audit Objectives for Soil Association Certification are to assess the Organisation against the relevant PEFC Scheme and associated PEFC normative documents, and relevant ISO Standards and shall include the following: a) determination of the conformity of the client's management system, or parts of it, with audit criteria; b) determination of the ability of the management system to ensure the client meets applicable statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements; c) determination of the effectiveness of the management system to ensure the client can reasonably expect to achieving its specified objectives; d) as applicable, identification of areas for potential improvement of the management system.
3.7.2	The Audit Criteria are contained in the relevant PEFC Scheme and normative documents, and are effectively reproduced through the checklists and other elements of this Report Template and Soil Association Certification's Management system. The forest management was evaluated against the PEFC-endorsed national standard for Norway, entitled PEFC N 02:2022 Norwegian PEFC Forest Standard. A copy of the standard is available at www.pefc.org and The ISO 14001 Standard
3.7.1	Adaptations/Modifications to standard None
3,8	Stakeholder consultation process
3.8.1	Summary of stakeholder process 47 consultees were contacted 0 responses were received Consultation was carried out on 03.05.2024 4 visits/interviews were held by phone/ in person during audit.. See A2 for summary of issues raised by stakeholders and SA response
3,9	Observations Each non-compliance with the forestry standard is described in detail in Section 2 together with a description of the proposed corrective action (Pre-Condition, Condition, Observation) This section also provides details of any actions taken to close out Conditions. The Conditions identified are to be completed within the identified timescales and will be subject to assessment and reporting at subsequent surveillance visits – see sections 6-9 of report for details of surveillance visits and Section 2 of report for close out details.

3,10	ISSUES
Ref	Where an issue was difficult to assess or contradictory evidence was identified this is discussed in the section below and the conclusions drawn given. Issue None
3,11	RESULTS, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS On the basis of the observations recorded on the attached standard and checklist annex 1 and subject to the corrective actions in section 2 of this report, it is considered that the certificate holder's system of management, if implemented as described is capable of ensuring that all requirements of the applicable standard(s) are met over the whole forest area covered by the scope of the evaluation. And, the certificate holder has demonstrated that subject to the specified corrective actions detailed in Section 2 of this report, that the specified system of management is being implemented consistently over the whole forest area covered by the scope of the certificate. Note that this audit is based on a sampling process of the available information. A certificate has been issued for the period given on the cover page and will be maintained subject to successful performance at surveillance assessments.

3	Certificeringsprocessen (dansk)
3,1	Dato for evaluering For-evaluering Re-certificeringsdato Plan 17.06.2024 Opening meeting; Jostein, Monica, Andreas, Kjell Anders, Ola, Håvard, Wiggo, Rune, Morten 17.06.2024 Audit: Review of documentation and systems, staff interviews 18.06.2024 Site visits; Statskog SF; Meraker Bruk 19.06.2024 Document review 20.06.2024 Site visit; Børresen, Glomma 21.06.2024 Document review and Closing meeting: Jostein, Andreas, Kjell Anders, Ola, Håvard, Wiggo, Rune, Morten Estimerede antal persondage anvendt til at gennemføre auditten 8 arbejdsdage inkl forberedelse, felt inspektion, kontorbesøg, gennemgang af documentation, transport, interessentkonsultation og afrapportering.
3.1a	Afviselser fra auditplanen og begrundelse herfor: Nej (hvis Ja, forklar)
3.1b	Væsentlige forhold som påvirker auditprogrammet: Nej (hvis Ja, forklar)
3,2	Auditteamet Auditteamet bestod af: Karina S. Kitnaes, revisor og business manager hos WSP Danmark. Biolog M.Sc. fra Aarhus Universitet. Mer enn 25 års profesjonell erfaring som ekspert innenfor skogøkologi og Natura 2000 implementering i Øst- og Nordeuropa og med EUTR, SBP FSC/PEFC FM og COC sertifisering. Siden 2001 har Karina gjennomført en utallige biomasseverifikasjoner og evalueringer av bl.a. skogforvaltninger og chain-of-custodies mot gjeldende og kvalifiserende standarder i Danmark, England, Estland, Finland, Hviterussland, Latvia, Litauen, Malaysia, Norge, Polen, Skottland, Russland (Sibirien), Slovakia og Sverige. Teammedlemmernes CVs findes tilgjengelige på SA Certs kontor.
3.2.1	Rapportskrivning Karina Seeberg Kitnaes
3,3	Rapport Peer review Ikke relevant, dette er en re-certificering
3,4	Certification decision See annex 11
3,5	Rationale for evalueringen Auditten involverede gjennomgang af relevante gruppe- og forvaltningsdokumentation og registreringer, feltbesøg, diskussion med skovforvaltere og arbeidere og udfyldelse af gruppe og skovforvaltningstjeklister. Antallet af gruppemedlemmer som blev besøgt, var baseret på stikprøveberegningen givet i bilag 8. Besøgte lokaliteter blev udvalgt til at inkludere områder med fornyligt gennemførte eller igangværende skovoperationer, områder med offentlig adgang, områder med bevaringsværdi og gruppemedlemmer ikke tidligere besøgt af Soil Association Certification.

3,6	Liste over udvalgte objekter og sites besøg under auditten a) 232 final harvest, sheltertree harvest; 270 final harvest, retention trees, buffer zones towards moist zones, along water stream; 268 åpen final harvest, soil preparation, planting, 268 final harvest, buffer zones towards key biotope and towards open peatland b) 227 final harvest, crossing by creating bridge to ward damage to water stream, 934 final harvest of contorta pine to replant native spruce, 361 final harvest with buffer zone towards steep rock edge with protected zone. c) 306 young seedling stand with tending; 264; final harvest, sheltertree and seed trees for natural regeneration, 268 thinning of spruce, 267 final harvest sheltertree harvest; 269 final harvest and shelter tree harvest. d) 262 sheltertree harvest, replaning, buffer zones towards multiple cultural heritage zones, final harvest with protection and buffer zone towards key biotop, edge zones towards mires and peatlands, final harvest, with buffer zones towards moist zones.
3,7	Audittens formål, kriterier og standarder anvendt (inkl. version og dato for godkendelse)
3.7.1	Audit Objectives for Soil Association Certification are to assess the Organisation against the relevant PEFC Scheme and associated PEFC normative documents, and relevant ISO Standards and shall include the following: a) determination of the conformity of the client's management system, or parts of it, with audit criteria; b) determination of the ability of the management system to ensure the client meets applicable statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements; c) determination of the effectiveness of the management system to ensure the client can reasonably expect to achieving its specified objectives; d) as applicable, identification of areas for potential improvement of the management system.
3.7.2	Auditkriterier er taget fra den relevante nationale PEFC ordning og normative dokumenter, og effektivt omdannet til tjeklister og andre elementer i denne rapport Skogsforvaltningen ble vurdert i forhold til PEFC N 02:2022 den norske PEFC skogstandard. En kopi av standarden er tilgjengelig på www.pefc.org
	og ISO 14001 standard
3.7.1	Tilpasninger/Modifikationer til standarderna Ingen
3,8	Interessentkonsultation
3.8.1	Resume af interessentkonsultationsprocessen 47 interessenter kontaktet 0 svar modtaget Konsultationen blev gennemført 03.05.2024 4 besøg/interviews blev afholdt in persona under auditten. Se A2 for resumé af emner rejst af interessenter og SA Certs svar.
3,9	Observationer Each non-compliance with the forestry standard is described in detail in Section 2 together with a description of the proposed corrective action (Pre-Condition, Condition, Observation) This section also provides details of any actions taken to close out Conditions. The Conditions identified are to be completed within the identified timescales and will be subject to assessment and reporting at subsequent surveillance visits – see sections 6-9 of report for details of surveillance visits and Section 2 of report for close out details.

3,10	Kritiske forhold
Ref	Hvor et forhold var vanskeligt at evaluere eller hvor modstridende oplysninger blev identificeret, diskuteres dette i sektionen nedenfor og dragede konklusioner gives. Forhold Ingen
3,11	RESULTATER, KONKLUSIONER OG ANBEFALING På baggrund af de registrerede observation i den vedhæftede standard og tjekliste i Annex 1 og afgivelserne i afsnit 2 af denne rapport, anses det for, at certifikatholderens system for forvaltning, hvis implementeret som beskrevet, er i stand til at sikre at alle krav i de pågældende standarder mødes over hele skovarealer, som er dækket ind under evalueringen. Og certifikatholderen har demonstreret at udover de specificerede korrigerende handlinger beskrevet i afsnit 2 i denne rapport bliver det specificerede forvaltningssystem implementeret konsistent over hele skovarealer som er dækket af certifikatet. Bemærk at denne audit er baseret på en stikprøveproces for tilgængelig information Et certifikat er blevet udstedt for den periode, som er angivet på forsiden, og vil blive opretholdt ved succesfuld gennemførsel ved de årlige inspektioner.

5	THE FOREST
5.5	SUMMARY OF ISO 14001 BASED SYSTEM <i>(this is a specific requirement for Sweden for groups and for Norway for both single-sites and groups, but could be useful for all).</i>
5.5.1	Description of System Statskog SF Skog has ISO Based system with documented and Centralised policies and procedures. The organisation has developed procedures and templates covering the 30 criteria in the Norwegian FM standard. The management system is ISO 14001 certificeret. ISO 14001 certificate since 25.01.2001, current ISO certificate no. E8797, latest issued 01.05.2024. The scope of the ISO 14001 is: <i>Management of forest resources in accordance with the Norwegian PEFC Forest Standard for sustainable forestry</i> The organisation uses IT based solutions such as Weksak+, tiltaksportalen, MKS,, SEIL mv. The organisation has set of procedures coupled to system flowcharts.

5	SKOVEN
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5.5.1	Statskog SF Skog har et ISO basert system med dokumenterte og Centraliserte policies og rutiner. Organisationen har utviklet prosedyre og formater, som dekker de 30 kriterier i den norske skogstandard. Ledelsessystemet er ISO 14001 sertifisert. ISO 14001 sertifikat siden 25.01.2001, nuværende ISO sertifikat nr.. E8797, senest utstedt 01.05.2024. Dekningen av ISO 14001 sertifikatet er: <i>Management of forest resources in accordance with the Norwegian PEFC Forest Standard for sustainable forestry</i> Organisasjonen bruker IT baserte løsninger, som Websak+, tiltaksportalen, MKS, SEIL mv. Organisasjonen har rutiner og prosedyrer koplet til flowcharts.

6.0	FIRST SURVEILLANCE
6.1	Surveillance Assessment dates
	03-06.06.2025
	Itinerary
	03.06 Opening meeting - Jostein, Rune, Karl, Olav, Torkel, Kjell, Trysil and the auditors
	03.06 Day 1 Site visit FMU Børresen and Statskog SF Sølverket
	04.06 Day 2 Site visit Gausdal/Torpa under Meraker Bruk and Statskog SF
	05.06 Day 3 Site visit Elverum region under Statskog SF and Statskog Glomma
	06.06 Audit: Review of documentation, staff interviews
	06.06 Closing meeting - Jostein, Rune, Torkel, Kjell, Trysil and the auditors
6.1a	Any deviation from the audit plan and their reasons? N
6.1b	Any significant issues impacting on the audit programme N
6.2	Estimate of person days to complete surveillance assessment
	10 person days including time spent on preparatory work, actual audit days, consultation and report writing (excluding travel)
6.3	Surveillance Assessment team
	The assessment team consisted of:
	1) Michael B. Koldsø, TL and Auditor at WSP Denmark. B.Sc. forester from the Danish forestry school. More than five years of professional experience as a forester, and with wood procurement with focus on tree species and legality in Central- and Eastern Europe. Since 2022, Michael has performed many biomass verifications and evaluations of chain-of-custodies and forest managements against applicable and qualifying standards in Denmark, Latvia, Polen and Georgia. He is currently being trained as ISCC auditor and as FM auditor for auditing in Denmark.
	2) Karina Kitnæs, Auditor and business manager at WSP Denmark. M.Sc. biologist from Aarhus University. More than 25 years of professional experience as expert on forest ecology and Natura 2000 implementation in Eastern and Northern Europe and with EUTR, SBP, FSC/PEFC FM and COC certification. Since 2001, she has performed countless biomass verifications and evaluations of forest managements, chain-of-custodies against applicable and qualifying standards in Denmark, Belarus, England, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malaysia, Norway, Poland, Scotland, Russia (Siberia), Slovakia and Sweden.
	3) Jeppe L. Aquest, Auditor at WSP Denmark. B.Sc. in Forestry and Landscape Engineering from the University of Copenhagen (The Forestry School) and M. Sc. in Forest and Nature Management from the University of Copenhagen (KU) and Georg-August University, Göttingen. More than 5 years of professional experience in green management and consulting within forestry and the timber industry, focusing on management, communication, and FSC/PEFC FM and COC certification. Jeppe has experience with certification in Denmark and Norway.
	Team members' c.v.'s are held on file.
6.3.1	Report author
	Michael Koldsø; Karina Kitnaes

6.4	Audit Objectives, Audit Criteria and Assessment process
6.4.1	Audit Objectives for Soil Association Certification are to assess the Organisation against the relevant PEFC Scheme and associated PEFC normative documents, and relevant ISO Standards and shall include the following: a) determination of the conformity of the client's management system, or parts of it, with audit criteria; b) determination of the ability of the management system to ensure the client meets applicable statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements; c) determination of the effectiveness of the management system to ensure the client can reasonably expect to achieving its specified objectives; d) as applicable, identification of areas for potential improvement of the management system
6.4.2	The Audit Criteria are contained in the relevant PEFC Scheme and normative documents, and are effectively reproduced through the checklists and other elements of this Report Template and Soil Association Certification's Management system. Criteria assessed at audit Criteria were selected for assessment based on • areas of potential weakness /related to previous CARs or issues, • related to stakeholder comments received, • where there have been changes in management/scope, • relating to key objectives and on going activities and • to ensure that all principles are assessed at least once during the 4 surveillance visits. The following criteria were assessed: 1-8, 12.4, 13, 15.2, 22, 27
6.4.3	Assessment Process The assessment involved review of relevant group and management planning documentation and records, site visits, discussion with forest managers and workers and completion of the group and forest management checklists. The number of sites selected was based on the sampling calculation given in Annex 8. Sites were selected to include areas of recent or on-going operations, areas of public access, areas of conservation value and to include group members not previously visited by SA Certification
6.5	Stakeholder consultation 77 consultees were contacted 0 responses were received Consultation was carried out on 11/02/2025 3 visits/interviews were held in person during audit... See A2 for summary of issues raised by stakeholders and SA Certification response
6.6	Review of corrective actions Action taken in relation to previously issued conditions is reviewed given in Section 2 of this report.
6.7	Justification for selection of items and places inspected Main sites visited in each FMU Day 1 Final fellings in various compartments in two MUs w/ life cycle trees in groups along the edge, avoided driving in moist zone, special trees left behind. Interview with contractor, check of felling machine, checked work instructions and cards, as well as competence - course. Nature reserve - untouched, breakfast, lake, old forest on steep terrain, mixed forest, old not in use tiurleik on the other side of the lake.

Forest road system good road system, maintained roads, road along stream with natural course, where the vegetation was cleared away to keep the road open. Planned new bridges over the stream.

Logging road into the logging field, far in the old track therefore all the way down to the stream. Kantzone vek for a short distance, but considered necessary. No felling in the stream but again right on the border.

Thinnings in various compartments in two MU: no damage to standing trees, watercourses avoided and driven on both sides with a good distance. Interview of contractor, confirmed receipt of ethical guidelines, application of root stop on stakes, machine HSE checked. load carrier interview - not permanent but only verbal agreement. Interview of group member and group leader's operations manager: Positive reaction from stakeholders regarding thinning felling.

Use of FeltApp with digital work instructions and cards with all values worked well for the contractors and were accessible.

Day 2

Final felling with smal driving damage to skidding tracks (which has already been registered and planned restoration) felling area subdivided into smaller parts, resulting in good landscape considerations. Planned soil preparation and replanting with spruce.

Closed harvest for the main part, with smaller damage in the forest track, which has been registered by the contractor and planned restoration. Small felling areas, with natural regeneration.

Final felling of contorta, edge zone along river partially removed due to contorta withdrawal, edge zone otherwise intact. During an internal audit, deviations were registered at the edge zone along the small mire.

Area with established wind power and concentration of key biotopes, partial wind power in key biotopes and alternating untouched/protected key biotope and windmill. The infrastructure runs parallel key biotopes but legislation and permission in place. Preserved larger mires. No other activities.

Final harvesting of Contorta pine on dry areas surrounded by mires. Contractor interview and check of machine and diesel tank, which probably has a three-year service by external service.

Courses/competence in order

Special harvest of sheltertrees after successful natural regeneration. Sheltertrees to be retained as retention and life-cycle trees marked, including large and special trees, this is resulting in a fine mosaic of different ages and different tree species. Basvegen into the logging site with approx. 15 meter long road with potential runoff from the mire area on the right further down into the mire area lower down. Interview of contractor, HSE, work instructions and maps on the iPad in good order.

Day 3

Closed fellings/small scale harvesting in 9 sub-areas in mountain forest, obligation to report to the forest authorities at the municipality. One sub-area where the felling machine has crossed lying dead wood in 2 places. Another sub-area with the machine track built close to a mire, which is cause some run-off into the mire.

Forest roads solid and maintained by road guilds.

Compartments with replanting of Spruce after final harvest and soil preparation.

Young forest stand tending and thinnings in various compartments, which has been thinned to distance-regulated Spruce and remove Birch which impact the regeneration of spruce and pine. The timber stack placed at roudside, but tipping into mire area.

Compartments with final harvest and retaining set aside zones and retention trees.

6.8	Confirmation of scope
	The assessment team reviewed the current scope of the certificate in terms of certified forest area and products being produced. There was no change since the previous evaluation.
6.9	Changes to management situation- results of management review/internal audit Effectiveness of management system Description of any continual improvement activities
	The assessment team reviewed the management situation. No material changes to the management situation were noted.
6.10	Results of surveillance assessment
	Results of the surveillance assessment are recorded in the standard and checklist Annex 1 and any Non-compliances identified are given in Section 2 of this report. See also Issues arising below. Note that this audit is based on a sampling process of the available information.
6.11	Review of complaints or Issues arising
	Where an issue was difficult to assess or contradictory evidence was identified this is discussed in the section below as an Issue and the conclusions drawn given.
Ref	Issue None

6.0	Første årlige revisjon
6.1	Revisjonsdatoene #REFERENCE! Revisjonsplan 03.06 Opening meeting - Jostein, Rune, Karl, Olav, Torkel, Kjell, Trysil and the auditors 03.06 Day 1 Site visit FMU Børresen and Statskog SF Sølvverket 04.06 Day 2 Site visit Gausdal/Torpa under Meraker Bruk and Statskog SF 05.06 Day 3 Site visit Elverum region under Statskog SF and Statskog Glomma 06.06 Audit: Review of documentation, staff interviews 06.06 Closing meeting - Jostein, Rune, Torkel, Kjell, Trysil and the auditors
6.1a	Avvik fra revisionsplanen og begrunnelse: Nej
6.1b	Vesentlige forhold som påvirker revisjonsprogrammet: Nej
6.2	Estimat over antal persondager brukt til at gjennomføre revisjonen 10 arbeidsdager inkl forberedelse, felt inspeksjon, kontorbesøk, gjennomgang av dokumentasjon, transport, interessentkonsultasjon og avrapportering.
6.3	Revisorteamet Revisorteamet bestod av: 1) Michael B. Koldsø, TL og Auditor hos WSP Danmark B.Sc. Skov- og Landskabsingeniør fra Københavns universitet (Skovskolen). Mere end 5 års profesjonel erfaring som skovfoged og indkøber af træ, med fokus på forskellige træarter og lovlig oprindelse i Central- og Østeuropa. Siden 2022 har Michael arbejdet med biomasseverfikationer og evalueringer af bla. skovforvaltninger, chain-of-custodies imod gældende og kvalificerende standarder i Danmark, Letland, Polen og Georgien. Michael er i øjeblikket under uddannelse som ISCC-revisor. 2) Karina Kitnæs, Revisor og business manager hos WSP Danmark. Biolog M.Sc. fra Aarhus Universitet. Mer enn 25 års profesjonell erfaring som ekspert innenfor skogøkologi og Natura 2000 implementering i Øst- og Nordeuropa og med EUTR, SBP FSC/PEFC FM og COC sertifisering. Siden 2001 har Karina gjennomført en utallige biomasseverifikasjoner og evalueringer av bl.a. skogforvaltninger og chain-of-custodies mot gjeldende og kvalifiserende standarder i Danmark, England, Estland, Finland, Hviterussland, Latvia, Litauen, Malaysia, Norge, Polen, Skottland, Russland (Sibirien), Slovakia og Sverige. 3) Jeppe L. Aaquist, Revisor i WSP Danmark, skogmester (M.Sc. skogbruk) fra Københavns Universitet. Eg har 5 års erfaring innanfor skogbruk og treindustri, både i Danmark og i utlandet. Her har eg stått for drift og planlegging samt utføring. Eg er under opplæring til å bli revisor for Soil Association innan PEFC og FSC COC og FM. Teammedlemmenes CV finns tilgjengelige på SA Certs kontoret.
6.3.1	Rapportskriver Michael Koldsø; Karina Kitnaes

6.4	
6.4.1	Audit Objectives for Soil Association Certification are to assess the Organisation against the relevant PEFC Scheme and associated PEFC normative documents, and relevant ISO Standards and shall include the following: a) determination of the conformity of the client's management system, or parts of it, with audit criteria; b) determination of the ability of the management system to ensure the client meets applicable statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements; c) determination of the effectiveness of the management system to ensure the client can reasonably expect to achieving its specified objectives; d) as applicable, identification of areas for potential improvement of the management system.
6.4.2	Revisjonskriterier er tatt fra den relevante nationale PEFC ordning og normative dokumentene, og effektivt omdannet til sjekklister og andre elementer i denne rapport Kriterier evaluert under revisjonen Kriterier utvalgt til revisjonen er basert på: områder med potensielle svakheter/relatert til tidligere CARs eller kritiske forhold, relatert til interessent kommentarer mottatt, hvor det har vært endringer i forvaltningen/sertifikatets dekning, relatert til målsetningene og igangværende aktiviteter, og for at sikre at alle prinsippene blir evaluert minst én gang i løpet av de 4 årlige revisjonene. Følgende skogstandard kriterier ble evaluert: 1-8, 12.4, 13, 15.2, 22, 27
6.4.3	Revisjonsprosessen Revisjonen bestod av gjennomgang av relevante forvaltnings-/planleggingsdokumentasjon og registreringer, feltbesøk, diskusjon med skogforvaltere og ansatte og utfylling av sjekklisene. Antallet av besøgte enheter var basert på stikkprøveberegningen angitt i bilag 8. Besøkte lokalitetene ble utvalgt til å inkludere områder med fornylig gjennomførte eller igangværende aktivitetene, område med offentlig adgang, område med bevaringsverdi, ikke tidligere besøkt av Soil Association.
6.5	Interessentkonsultasjon
	77 interessenter er blevet konsultert 0 svar er modtatt Konsultationen blev gjennomført den 11/02/2025 3 intervju av entreprenører og ansatte blev gjennomført under revisjonen. Se A2 for sammendrag av kommentarer fra interessentene og svar fra Soil Association
6.6	Review af udstedte korrigerende handlinger/tiltag
	Tiltak gjennomført for tidligere utstedte avvik ble gjennomgått i seksjon 2 av denne rapport.
6.7	Liste over utvalgte objekter og enheter besøkt under revisjonen
	Day 1 Slutavverkning m/ livsløpstrær i grupper langs kanten, undgået kørsel i fugtigt drag, ingen kørespor, efterladt spesielle træer. Interview med entreprenør, check af skovningsmaskine, checkede arbejdsinstruks og kort, samt kompetence - kurs. Naturresevat - urørt, frokost, sø, gammel skog på stejl terræn, blandet skov, gammel ikke i brug tiurleik på anden side af søen.

Skovveger system godt vejsystem, vedlikeholdte veger, veg langs bekk med naturligt forløp, hvor vegetationen var ryddet væk for at holde vegen åpen. Planlagt nye broer over bekken.

Hogstveg ind til hogstfelt, langt i det gamle spor så derfor helt ned til bekken. Kantzone væk på et kort stykke, men anset for nødvendig. Ingen hogst i bekken men igen lige på grensen.

Tyndingshogst: ingen skader på stående træer, vanddrag undviget og kørt på begge sider med god afstand. Interview af entreprenør, bekræftet modtagelse af etiske retningslinjer, anvendelse af rotstop på stød, maskinen HMS checket. lastebærer interview - ikke fastansat men kun mundtlig aftale. Interview af gruppelem og gruppeleders driftsansvarlig: Positiv reaktion fra interessenter vedr. tyndingshogst.

Digitale arbejdsinstruktioner og kort med alle verdier fungerede godt for entreprenøren og var tilgængelige.

Day 2

Slutavverkning med kørespor (som allerede er registrert og planlagt pusning) med avsat bestand som bryder størrelsen og fremmer godt landskapsbilde. Planlagt markberedning og plantning med gran.

Lukket hogst, med køreskade i basvegen som er registreret af entreprenør og planlagt pudsning. Fine små hogstflader, med naturlig selvforyngelse.

Slutavverkning af contorta, kantzone langs elv delvist fjernet pga contorta uttak, kantzone i øvrigt intakt. Ved intern revisjon registreret avvik ved kantzone langs lille myr.

Område med etablert vindkraft med koncentration av nøkkelbiotoper, delvist vindkraft i nøkkelbiotoper og skiftevis urørt/beskyttet nøkkelbiotop og vindmølle. Infrastrukturen skærer igennem nøkkelbiotoper. Bevaret større myr. Ingen øvrige aktiviteter.

Avverkning av contorta på høytliggende arealer omgitt av myr. Entreprenør interview og sjekk av maskine og dieseltanke, der sandsynlig har tre-års service ved ekstern service. Kurser/kompetence i orden.

Spesiel-opgave med at hugge skærmtrær efter succesfull naturlig foryngelse, med markert de skærmtrær som skal forblive livsløpstrær, entreprenøren setter også selv videre, herunder store og spesielle trær. Resulterende i fin mosaik av forskjellige aldre og forskjellige trærarter. Basvegen ind til hugsten med ca. 15 meter for dybe spor) med avrenning fra høytliggende myrområde videre ned i fugtigt/myrområde. Interview af entreprenør, gjennomgang av HMS, arbeidsinstruks og kort på ipaden i orden.

Day 3

Lukkede hogster, 1-9 delområder, i fjellskog, småflatehogst, meldepligt til kommune, utført Glommen Mjøsen Skog. Et delområde hvor hogstmaskinen har kørt over liggende dødt ved, 2 steder. Et delområde med rapporterede køreskader, som er blevet pudset op. Et delområde med basisveg anlagt tæt på myr, hvor der sker mindre avrenning.

Skogveger solide og vedlikeholdes av veilaug.

Compartments with replanting of Spruce after final harvest and soil preparation.

Ungskogpleie, som har afstandsregulert gran og taget lidt for mye bjørk væk, også hvor det ikke er til gene for granen. En velteplass placeret forkert: Virke er blevet lagt i kanten af myr, som har forårsaget skade på myrkanten-

Compartments with final harvest and retaining set aside zones and retention trees.

6.8	Bekreftelse av sertifikatets dekning
	Revisor gjennomgik den nuværende dekning av certifikatet i forhold til sertifisert skogareal og produkter. Ingen endringer siden siste revisjon
6.9	Endringer til forvaltningen
	Revisor gjennomgik forvaltningssituasjonen. Ingen grunnleggende endringer til forvaltningen blev notert
6.10	Resultatene av den årlige revisjon
	Resultaterne av revisjonen blev registrert i standard sjekklistene i bilag A1 og A6. Identifiserte avvik er givet i seksjon 2 av denne rapport. Se også nedenfor under kritiske forhold.
6.11	Kritiske forhold
	Hvor et forhold var vanskelig at evaluere eller hvor motstridende opplysningene blev identifisert, diskuteres dette i seksjonen nedenfor og konklusjoner gives.
Ref	Forhold Ingen

No.	Grade	Non-compliance (or potential non-compliance for an Observation)	Std ref	Corrective Action Request ENGLISH	Krav Korrigerende Tiltak NORSK	Root Cause analysis proposed by client at closing meeting	Corrective Action proposed by client at closing meeting	Deadline	Date & Evaluation of Root Cause & Corrective action evidence	Status	Date Closed
CARs from MA/RA											
2024.1	Obs	In some of the forests of the CH, the military is having field trainings and other activities. Examples seen of such training areas, where the forest management still meets the PEFC requirements. During the audit, it was however unclear how the CH monitors the impacts of the military trainings and secures meeting PEFC requirements.	PEFC N 02:2022; 1.1	Manager responsibility: The organisation should ensure that anyone carrying out activities in the forest has knowledge of the forest's known environmental and cultural values.	Forvalteransvar: Skogeier er også ansvarlig for at den som utfører aktivitet i skogen har kunnskap om skogens kjente kulturminner og miljøverdier.				S1 2025: Documentation confirms: - for the areas where the military perform training, the State Forest and the Defence shares common IT afdeling, which secures safe sharing of data, including forestry data. - forest management planning by the forest managers in Skogresursdatabasen and tiltaksportalen. - special SEIL proproti records solution, where all rights and agreements are recorded, this is shared by relevant authorities	Open	
2024.3	Obs	The CH has procedures in place to notify the reindeer herding district associations minimum three weeks before the planned operation starts. Interview and records with planners confirm. During the audit, it was however unclear how this is documented in the CHs system. This applies where the total impact of clearcutting, fertilization and soil scarification exceeds 10 hectares in one or adjacent areas within the same year.	PEFC N 02:2022; 7.2	The organisation should make sure to document when notifications are given to the relevant reindeer herding district associations, which should be done minimum three weeks before the planned operation start.	Skogeier bør sikre at det dokumenteres når det gis varsel til det aktuelle reindrifts-distriktstyre senest tre uker før planlagt verksetting.				S1 2025: Documentation confirms: - System krav om at dokumentasjon skal gemmes i websak and that the requirement needs to be met. - So far no harvest in reindeer herding district. However, it is still unclear how the organisation make sure to notify the relevant reindeer herding association three weeks before a planned operation. Observation maintained.	Open	
CARs from S1											
2025.1	Obs	During field visits to ongoing and completed forest operations, dead wood was seen preserved on site, both standing and fallen dead wood were spared and not removed from the operation site. In one site after harvest, it was observed that the machine had crossed over fallen dead wood causing little damage.	PEFC N 02:2022; 13.1	The organisation should secure that ... fallen dead wood of deciduous trees and pines that have been dead for more than a year, and spruce that has been dead for more than 5 years are spared, including avoiding damaging the wood by machine driving.	Skogeier bør sikre at ... liggende død ved av lauvtrær og furu som har vært døde i mer enn ett år, og gran som har vært død i mer enn 5 år, spares, inkl. at undgå skade ved machine kjørsel.					Open	
2025.2	Obs	Field visits and interview of contractors, planners and managers confirm competences and knowledge. However, interview with one staff of a contractor revealed that the person was sub-contracted by the main contractor. The sub-contractor did only have a verbal agreement with the contractor. There was proof of skills and competences, since the person has appropriate trainings etc.	PEFC N 02:2022; 2.2	The organisation should also for sub-contractors ensure that forestry operations carried out to order are documented in accordance with public regulations on protection of health, the environment and safety and in accordance with Norwegian tariffs regulations and applicable Norwegian law. Agreements on forestry operations are normally concluded in writing between the parties, including ethical rules such as promoting equality and following law for equality and prohibition against discrimination.	Skogeier skal påse at skogbrukstiltak utført som bestilling dokumenteres i forhold til offentlige bestemmelser om vern av helse, miljø og sikkerhet og i samsvar med inngåtte avtaler og tariffbestemmelser for norske lønns- og arbeidsvilkår. Avtale om skogbrukstiltak skal normalt skje skriftlig mellom partene.					Open	
2025.3	Minor	During field visits to two harvesting sites after harvest, it was noted that the skidding tracks had been damaged due to machine driving, which has caused little runoff to lowerlaying area. During the audit, it was checked that the environmental impact is extremely low and the amount of water runoff very low. The surrounding areas were not holding high values. Also one allocated timber stack locality alongside a road, the edge of a mire had been damaged.	PEFC N 02:2022; 5.1	When planning and building forest roads, the organisation shall secure consideration for outdoor recreation, cultural heritage, biodiversity and the risk of flooding, erosion and soil landslides must be emphasized.	Ved planlegging og bygging av skogsveger skal skogeier sikre hensyn til friluftsliv, kulturminner, biologisk mangfold og fare for flom, erosjon og løsmasseskred vektlegges.	The managers are aware and the instructions to the contractor are also clear. But the mistakes had happened because the operator had not had sufficient focus on avoiding the damage and runoff.	Further training and instructions	12 months after receipt of report		Open	
2025.4	Minor	Since January 2025, it has been a Norwegian legal requirement that diesel tanks have to be checked by a third party control unit and further have to be tested every 2,5 years. The company was not aware and could not show records of having had a third party control.	PEFC N 02:2022; 12.4	The organisation shall make sure to document that diesel tanks are being controlled by third party control unit.	Skogeier må sikre at egne og inleide entreprenørers dieseltanke blir kontrollert av tredjeparts controlorgan.	The managers didn't know the Norwegian legislation on diesel tanks had changed.	Check the new requirements with authorities, get contact with control unit to get own diesel taks	12 months after receipt of report		Open	



Soil Association Certification Decision

Description of client / certificate holder	
Name:	Statskog SF Skog
Code:	SA-PEFC-FM-014941
Country	Norway
# of sites:	4
# of ha:	4671025
Presence of indigenous people:	Yes

Summary of audit	
Type	S1
Names of auditors:	Michael Koldsø, Jeppe Aaquist, Karina Kitnæs
Report Reviewer	Antonia Dunwoody
SA Certification staff member recommending certification decision	Antonia Dunwoody

Report summary	
# of pre-conditions	0
# of MAJOR conditions	0
# of Minor conditions	2
# of observations	4
Describe any potentially contentious issues.	None
Location of report	Filed under: Forestry/Certification records

Recommendation	
I have reviewed the report of this assessment (including stakeholder consultation and peer review summary as appropriate) and	I recommend that the certification decision for approval by SA Cert subject to compliance with the CARs listed above.
Date:	14/08/2025

Approval	
Certification Decision:	Approved: Maintain /grant certification
Name:	Antonia Dunwoody
Certification Decision made on behalf of Soil Association Certification Ltd:	Antonia Dunwoody
Date:	29-08-2025

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Product Schedule



This schedule details the products which are included in the scope of the company's certification. It shall accompany the PEFC certificate. If the product scope changes a new schedule will be issued.

Certificate scope including products and certified sites may also be checked on the PEFC database www.pefc.org

Description of client / certificate holder

Name: Statskog SF Skog
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Country: Norway
Code: SA-PEFC-FM-014941
Type of certificate: Single
Date of issue: 27.09.2024 Date of expiry: 26.09.2029

Product Groups available from this certificate holder include:

PEFC Status	Product Category	Product code	Species
100% PEFC	Roundwood (logs)	#010000	1 + 3 (<i>Picea abies</i> ; <i>Pinus sylvestris</i> ; <i>Pinus contorta</i> ; <i>Abies spp.</i> ; <i>Quercus spp.</i> ; <i>Picea sitchensis</i> ; <i>Betula spp.</i> ; <i>Populus tremula</i> ; <i>Alnus incana</i> ; <i>Sorbus aucuparia</i> ; <i>Salix caprea</i>)

Approval

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