## Better Biomass membership agreement – 2026

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| **Member organisation** | | | |
| **Company name** |  | | |
| **Visiting address** |  | | |
| **Postal code** |  | **City** |  |
| **Postal address** |  | | |
| **Postal code** |  | **City** |  |
| **Country** |  | | |
| **Website** |  | | |

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| **Contact person** | | | |
| **Salutations** | Mr  Ms | | |
| **First name** |  | **Family name** |  |
| **Position** |  | | |
| **E-mail** |  | | |
| **Telephone number** |  | | |
| **Mobile number** |  | | |

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| **Invoice details** | | | |
| **Invoice address 1** |  | | |
| **Postal code 1** |  | **City 1** |  |
| **Country 1** |  | | |
| **To the attention of** |  | | |
| **VAT number** |  | | |
| **Your reference** |  | | |
| 1 Only if different from postal address of member organisation | | | |

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| **Business details** | |
| **Type(s) of business 2** tick all applicable options | Producer  Processor  Trader  End-user |
| Other, namely |
| **Product(s)** |  |
| **Short description of business activities / production processes** |  |
| **Within scope of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 3** | Yes  No |
| **Within scope of RCVB’ 4** | Yes  No |
| 2 Better Biomass distinguishes four categories:  1) ‘producer’: organization that produces biomass or collects residual flows for application in bioenergy or bio-based products;  2) ‘processor’: organization that processes biomass to (intermediate) products;  3) ‘trader’: organization that trades (processed) biomass;  4) ‘end-user’: organization that utilizes (processed) biomass for application in bioenergy or bio-based products.  3 Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001[[1]](#footnote-1) concerns the European Directive on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (also known as Renewable Energy Directive or RED III). This information is of relevance for membership agreement (see page 3).  4 'RCVB' concerns the Dutch Regulation conformity assessment of solid biomass for energy applications (i.e. "Regeling conformiteitsbeoordeling vaste biomassa voor energietoepassingen"). | |

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| **Membership fee** | | | |
| **Category** | | **Annual turnover**  **in million EUR 5** | **Annual membership fee**  **in EUR 6** |
| A | | 0 – 0,1 | € 61 |
| B | | 0,1 – 0,5 | € 122 |
| C | | 0,5 – 1 | € 244 |
| D | | 1 – 10 | € 489 |
| E | | 10 – 50 | € 1.222 |
| F | | 50 – 100 | € 2.442 |
| G | | 100 – 500 | € 4.886 |
| H | | > 500 | € 6.108 |
| 5 This concerns annual turnover of legal entity.  6 The fee is excluding VAT and is valid until 31 December 2026. | | | |
|  | Yes, I register for membership and based on the table above and based on the conditions below, I will pay the annual membership fee corresponding to category:  7 | | |
| 7 NEN is entitled to request for additional information at any time. | | | |

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| **Membership agreement** | |
| This membership agreement is compulsory for organisations to be eligible for Better Biomass certification. Membership is also open for other interested parties.  Members will be kept informed by NEN about the Better Biomass developments, can be consulted by NEN about possible or necessary changes in the scheme documents, and will be invited by NEN for Better Biomass events. The membership fee is also used for the activities involved in maintaining the Better Biomass scheme documents to respond to regulatory changes, market developments and interpretation issues.  This membership agreement commences at the date of signature for a period of 12 (twelve) months and will be automatically extended for a period of 12 (twelve) months, unless the member has terminated this agreement by written notice at the end of the duration taking into account a period of 3 (three) months. The annual membership fee as established at the start of new period of 12 (twelve) months applies.  Withdrawal of the Better Biomass certificate implies a written termination of the membership agreement, unless undersigned indicates to prolongate membership.  By signing this agreement, the member declares:   * to have read and accept the NEN general sales terms and conditions (version 6 – April 2019) attached hereto; * to have completed this agreement truthfully; * to inform NEN about any change in the information provided in this agreement, without any delay; * to comply with the annual reporting requirement concerning certified volumes, if certified within the scope of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001; * to give the certification body permission to disclose the full audit report including actual greenhouse gas emissions calculations, if applicable, to NEN for internal monitoring, if certified within the scope of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001; * to cooperate in an investigation whether this certification scheme operates in accordance with the rules in the framework of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 or examination whether the sustainability and greenhouse gas emissions savings requirements as laid down in Articles 30(8) and 30(10) of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 and Article 17 of Commission Implement Regulation (EU) 2022/996[[2]](#footnote-2) in relation to a particular consignment are met, if such request is received from a competent authority of a Member State, or its own initiative, the European Commission; * to grant access to its premises, where requested, to support the supervision tasks of competent authorities of Member States and the European Commission; * to be aware that competent authorities of Member States can supervise the operation of certification bodies as set out under Article 30(9) as laid down in Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001, which can occur during an audit by the certification body at member's production location; * to be aware that NEN may witness an audit as part of the internal monitoring, if certified within the scope of Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001.   Members failing or unwilling to comply with the requirements on supervision as set out in paragraphs 1 to 6 of Article 17 of the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/996 and summarised in the list above, shall be excluded from participating in the Better Biomass voluntary scheme, per paragraph 7 of Article 17 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/996. | |
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| **Signature** |  |
| **Name** |  |
| **Date** |  |

1. Revised Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/996 of 14 June 2022 on rules to verify sustainability and greenhouse gas emissions saving criteria and low indirect land-use change-risk criteria. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)