

Getting Started with an Approved Audit Program: SIZA



QUICK FACTS

- Applicable to all agricultural products
- Audits conducted in South Africa
- Membership is a requirement

The Sustainability Initiative of South Africa (SIZA) is a membership-based ethical trade program. SIZA has two main focus areas: (1) monitoring and verification of compliance and best practices on farms through self-assessments and third-party ethical audits, and (2) the facilitation of capacity-building initiatives to support growers, smallholders and workers with the implementation of ethical and environmental standard requirements to support continuous improvement. SIZA aims to align to local and international standards and improve confidence in the South Africa supply base for retailers and other stakeholders. For details on the audit program, review or download a copy of the [Ethical Trade Handbook and the SIZA Audit Process and Methodology Document](#).

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is required for Walmart suppliers and their facilities participating in the SIZA audit program. Review more information about membership [here](#). Access the registration platform [here](#).

SIZA SUPPORT

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SHARE FACILITY REPORTS WITH WALMART

Provide visibility to facility information and audit reports to Walmart with the steps below.

Step 1: Access to the [SIZA Platform](#).

Navigate to the [SIZA website \(www.siza.co.za\)](http://www.siza.co.za) and select “Register on the SIZA Platform”. If you need any assistance during registration, please contact [Lynn Taute](#) (Phone: +27 (21) 852 8184).

Step 2: Share facility and audit information on the SIZA platform – All Buyers.

The linked members section on the left side menu will display all the members that have granted you access to view their profile. This is done by either them providing you access in their profile or you are requesting access and the member accepting this request. If you wish to request access to a certain member’s profile, you can enter the PUC code into the text field and then click the “Request Access” button which will then send an email to that member to request them to grant you access to their profile. Once access has been granted you will receive an email informing you of this approved request. If you are not registered on the SIZA Platform you are welcome to contact the SIZA office so that they can send you via email the audit report .

Step 3: Share facility and audit information on the SIZA platform – All Suppliers.

The Shared function on the left side menu will give you the opportunity to share information with your buyer. This can be done by clicking only once on the name of your buyer visible in the relevant member section and updating the page at the bottom. If the buyer requested access you will have to approve the request before visibility can be established.

Step 4: Obtain a copy of the audit report and Audit Confirmation letter.

The Audit section of the platform shows existing audits in a facility’s profile. If you are a SIZA member, you can access audit data yourself. If you are not a SIZA member, contact the SIZA office to request a copy of the relevant audit report and Audit Confirmation Letter via email. This report and letter can be forwarded to Walmart.

Step 5: Share the audit report through the SEDEX platform.

Walmart requires that SIZA audits to be shared through both the SIZA and the SEDEX platforms. Visibility on Sedex for those who requires it, is a user pay service that SIZA provides to its members at a reduced fee. SIZA manages your profile on Sedex, so you do not need to register or pay for a separate Sedex profile. The Sedex membership fee is added to your annually SIZA renewal invoice. For more information about audit information on Sedex please contact Werner van Dyk.

Instructions to Submit an Audit to Walmart*

**To be accepted by Walmart, the audit must be conducted by an APSCA-registered auditor on behalf of an APSCA member firm. View APSCA audit firms [here](#). Confirm with your selected program that the approved firm and auditor are in good standing with APSCA.*



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