Standards Work Program 2023



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Standards' Work in 2022

Fair Trade USA's Standards Department work in 2022 focused on the conclusion of our Factory Production Standard (FPS) major revision and initiation of a major revision of our Agricultural Production Standard (APS). The FPS 2.0.0 was approved and published in August, coming into effect January 1, 2023. A major revision of the APS was kicked off at the beginning of the year with an internal scoping phase, including internal staff review, data analysis, and desk research. Initial stakeholder input was also gathered through a targeted pre-consultation in Q4. Additional workstreams were conducted to support the implementation of the new CFS 2.0.0.

Standard	Project(s)
Agricultural Production	 Continue Major Revision. Complete draft of APS 2.0.0, incorporating learnings from internal review, desk research, and pre-consultation. Public consultation on draft in Q3, including in person events for direct engagements with producers and workers. Review and finalization continue into 2024.
Factory Production	• Support roll-out and implementation of new Standard 2.0.0 with stakeholders.
Capture Fisheries	Basic ongoing support of implementation.
Trade	Basic ongoing support of implementation.Begin initial scoping of next Major Revision.
Other	 Development of additional Policies and Guidance documents to support program implementation, with a particular focus on the Internal Management System, Social Engagement Team, and Living Wage. Review of strategy around Premium setting to maximize total Premiums.

Work Plan for 2023

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