

European Federation of

Tank Cleaning Organisations



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- Tank cleaning is an essential part of the supply chain
- EFTCO cleaning document for cleaning of chemicals, food and feed
- Service carried out by professional reliable partners
- EFTCO food assessment for food safety



EFTCOMail July 2021

Welcome to EFTCO

Before we start the summer holidays 2021, we would continue the regular distribution of our EFTCOMail to provide best available information for our members and business partner.

Corona currently allows us to take a breather in summer 2021 and we are confident that we have learned enough to keep the development of incidences controllable in autumn 2021.

If travel is not permitted end of 2021, we will arrange another meeting of the member with online participation.

The content of this EFTCOMail:

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SQAS 2022

CEFIC announced: SQAS 2022 is coming

The SQAS Technical & Accreditation Committee is drafting a new version of SQAS, planned to be launched in Q1 2022. The main changes will include:

- An upgraded section about measurement and management of GHG emission of logistics suppliers
- The incorporation of new requirements to avoid plastic pellets loss. It will be aligned with Operation Clean Sweep (OCS)* requirements from Plastics Europe/European Plastics Converters associations
- New sections about digitalization of transport documents

The drafts of the new questionnaires are available for download at

<https://sqas.org/download-questionnaire.php>

* information of Operation Clean Sweep' ® (OCS) in EFTCOMail 1st Quarter 2021

Emission Control and CO₂ emission reduction for Tank Cleaning

The management and reduction of emission is a major part of the new 2022 SQAS questionnaire and needs our involvement and preparation.

The European authorities asked the chemical industry to calculate the CO₂ emissions of the logistic services they use. The transport service is important in these emissions, but also tank cleaning is a part of the logistic service. For this reason, an emission section is integrated in the SQAS 2022 Tank cleaning questionnaire.

EFTCO prepared a guideline to help the tank cleaning stations with the calculation of these emissions and to make sure this is done in a correct way. The purpose of these calculations is to make the sector aware of their CO₂ emissions, to motivate them to reduce them and to show the result to the (interested) customers and/or the public.

We will arrange a webinar for our member after the summer holiday and give an insight and detailed explanation.

First information can be found on our website www.EFTCO.org Safe Cleaning @

[EMISSION GUIDELINE](#)

[CO₂ REDUCTION](#)

Foundation of EFTCO VzW in Belgium

The EFTCO Board decided to elaborate the fundamentals of the foundation of EFTCO VzW located in Belgium, as EFTCO should be located in a country belonging to the European Union.

With the help of our consultancy company [eubelius](#) in Brussels/B we currently transfer the content of our EFTCO UK association rules into a usable version to comply with Belgium association law.

We hope to have the Belgium EFTCO VzW association rules (“Bylaws”) ready in 3rd quarter 2021, to be provided then to all members.

When we provide all necessary details to our member, we have to have a voting of our member about the relocation from UK to Belgium.

Minimum criteria`s for membership in your national association

EFTCO assigned the definition of minimum quality criteria`s for membership in an EFTCO associated association to the national association, to respect local specifics.

This includes the quality control and appointment of the permission for the usage of the EFTCO Cleaning Document.

We always expect from all member an actual SQAS-Audit, indicating their quality minded focus and to provide information for quality control.

With the reduction of national borders and increase European legislative influence, this has resulted in some complaints of Tank Cleaning Stations about unequal treatment within the European territory.

The Board of EFTCO decided to ask all of their member to report your national minimum membership and ECD usage requirements to EFTCO Secretary.

After receipt, we will prepare an overview of all national local requirements and discuss this with all member.

Kindly prepare a summary of your national requirements and send by email not later than 31st August 2021.

EFTCO Codes for the usage with the EFTCO Cleaning Document

The EFTCO Cleaning Codes Rev. 31 in 2021 resulted in some follow up discussion after the 2021 codes were released.

It is foreseen that revision 32 in 2022 will replace the 2021 version and EFTCO Workgroup is open for your proposals, corrections and improvement inputs to implement all changes to work out 2022 EFTCO Codes used with the ECD.

We wish all our members and business friends a good time with summer holidays

EFTCO Secretary