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*Reference: Chapters C.3.3, E.8.12, E.10.7 and E.10.8 of the Domain Protocol for Finland gas and hydrogen*

The instructions contain two concepts:

- A. Ex-Domain cancellation for consumption in Finland
- B. Ex-Domain cancellation for consumption outside of Finland

## A. Ex-Domain cancellation for consumption in Finland

Where transfer of guarantees of origin is not possible between information systems (via Association of Issuing Bodies' Hub), Ex-Domain cancellation can be agreed in a situation where the guarantee of origin is cancelled *from an EU/EEA territory for consumption in Finland*. Guarantees of origin issued in compliance with Directive (EU) 2018/2001 in EU/EEA countries and accepted by the registrar in the national register are accepted in Finland.

Where possible, guarantees of origin should be cancelled in their entirety or otherwise in as large an issuance bundle as possible. As a rule, installation-specific guarantees of origin issued in one month may not be split into several different cancellations.

Gasgrid Finland manages Ex-Domain cancelled guarantees of origin in a separate information system separate from the G-REX guarantee of origin register. Ex-Domain cancelled guarantees of origin are subject to the same requirements as guarantees of origin issued and cancelled in Finland with regard to their validity, for instance.

Parties to an Ex-Domain cancellation are

- the account holder in the register in the country of origin
- the registrar of the register in the country of origin
- the account holder in the register in the receiving country, i.e. the account holder in Finland's register and
- the registrar of the receiving country's register, i.e. Finland's register (Gasgrid Finland Oy).

The party for which the Ex-Domain cancellation is made must be an account holder in Finland's register of guarantees of origin. To agree the details of the cancellation, the account holder must contact Gasgrid Finland in good time ahead of making the cancellations. Gasgrid Finland verifies the acceptability of the guarantees of origin issued with the registrar of the register in the country of origin. The matter is processed and verifications are made without delay but since it is manual work, the process may take several weeks.

The account holder in Finland's register who received the cancellation must notify Gasgrid Finland of the use of guarantees of origin by application and allocated to the Ex-Domain cancellation statement. Gasgrid Finland stores the information in a separate information system and sends an official certificate of use to the account holder.

Ex-Domain cancellation in briefly:

#### 1. Contacting Gasgrid Finland

- The account holder in Finland's register must agree the cancellation and practical arrangements with Gasgrid Finland by contacting [customerservice@gasgrid.fi](mailto:customerservice@gasgrid.fi) in good time beforehand. **All details relating to the cancellation are agreed before making cancellations!**
- Gasgrid Finland checks the acceptability of the guarantees of origin issued by the registrar of the register in the country of origin and notifies the account holder receiving the guarantees of origin in Finland's register that the Ex-Domain cancellation in the register of origin can go ahead.

#### 2. Cancellation in the register of the country of origin

- The account holder in the register of the country of origin cancels guarantees of origin for consumption in Finland > Account holder in Finland's register as the recipient (more information in the more information field)
- The cancellation statements are sent to Gasgrid Finland either so that
  - i. the registrar of the register in the country of origin sends the cancellation statements by encrypted email or
  - ii. the account holder in the register in the country of origin or the registrar of the register creates viewing rights for Gasgrid Finland to the cancellation statements in the register of the country of origin, so that Gasgrid Finland can examine the correctness of the information straight from the register and store the cancellation statements in Finland. It is also possible to agree between all the different parties that the Account Holder in the register in the country of origin sends the cancellation statements as an encrypted email to Gasgrid Finland. However, in this case it must also be ensured that Gasgrid Finland can check the correctness of the information with the registrar of the register in the country of origin.

#### 3. Management of cancellation information in Finland

- Gasgrid Finland stores the cancellation information and cancellation statements in a separate information system.

#### 4. Use of Ex-Domain cancellations of guarantees of origin for consumption in Finland

- The account holder in Finland's register must notify Gasgrid Finland of the use of guarantees of origin by application and allocated to the cancellation statement with the information in the table below, for example:

Ex-Domain cancelled guarantees of origin	Transaction number of Ex-Domain cancellation statement	Usage amount	Application	Consumption period
100 (100 MWh)	20221234567891234	25 (25 MWh)	Filling station X	1.-31.10.2022
	20221234567891234	43 (43 MWh)	Filling station Y	1.-31.10.2022
	20221234567891234	32 (32 MWh)	Industrial use at customer Z	1.-30.9.2022

- Gasgrid Finland stores the information in a separate information system and sends the "certificate of use" corresponding to the cancellation statement by encrypted email to the account holder.

## B. Ex-Domain cancellation for consumption outside of Finland

Likewise, it is possible to agree an international Ex-Domain cancellation for consumption outside of Finland in an EU/EEA territory provided that the registrar of the receiving register accepts the Ex-Domain cancellation from Finland and transfer of guarantees of origin is not possible between information systems (via Association of Issuing Bodies Hub).

Cancellations from Finland for an EU/EEA territory must be agreed with Gasgrid Finland and the registrar of the receiving register. The account holder in Finland's register must contact Gasgrid Finland at [customerservice@gasgrid.fi](mailto:customerservice@gasgrid.fi) in good time beforehand. **All details relating to the cancellation are agreed before making cancellations!**

Where possible, guarantees of origin should be cancelled in their entirety or otherwise in as large an issuance bundle as possible. As a rule, installation-specific guarantees of origin issued in one month may not be split into several different cancellations.

In Finland's register, the country that is the target of cancellation is selected and any additional information is added to the more information field. Basically all EU/EEA countries can be selected in Finland's register for guarantees of origin. However, it must be noted that not all countries have a guarantee of origin system for gas in compliance with Directive (EU) 2018/2001 and so guarantees of origin from Finland for those countries cannot be cancelled.

At the request of the account holder in Finland's register, i.e., the register in the country of origin, Gasgrid Finland sends without delay the cancellation statements by encrypted email to the registrar of the register in the receiving EU/EEA country. Guarantees of origin cancelled from Finland are stored in Finland's register for guarantees of origin.

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