

Marubeni Group Soybean Procurement Policy

In order to contribute to solving environmental and social issues, the Marubeni Group is working in cooperation with its business partners to build sustainable and resilient supply chains and a sustainable society, based on the “Basic Policy for Sustainability in the Supply Chain”.

The Marubeni Group recognizes that there are various risks involved in soybean production, including illegal logging for the purpose of expanding production areas, deforestation due to plantation development and other reasons, the resulting loss of biodiversity and other environmental impacts, and social impacts such as violations of labor rights and human rights of local residents. We also believe that it is important to take sustainability initiatives and fulfill our social responsibilities when procuring soybeans.

Based on this recognition, we have established the “Marubeni Group Soybean Procurement Policy” as our policy for addressing environmental and social issues associated with soybean procurement.

We, the Marubeni Group, will continue to work together with our suppliers to build a sustainable and resilient soybean supply chain and contribute to the improvement of sustainability in soybean procurement by conducting transactions based on the “Marubeni Group Soybean Procurement Policy”.

We will also collaborate with all stakeholders in the supply chain in order to implement this policy.

Scope

Soybean transactions in which the Marubeni Group procures soybeans as a contracting party (*).

(*) Transactions in which the Marubeni Group is not a party to the sales contract or is involved only in brokering and warehousing are not included.

Policy on Initiatives

- We do not procure soybeans produced on farmland cleared by deforestation or illegal logging.
- We do not procure soybeans at risk of being linked to violations of human rights such as child labor and forced labor.
- We respect the rights of indigenous peoples and local communities in soybean-producing areas.
- We will comply with the laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which we operate, as well as international laws and regulations.
- We will notify our soybean suppliers of this policy and require them to comply with it.

In order to promote sustainable soybean procurement, the Marubeni Group will conduct surveys of the soybean suppliers from whom we procure soybeans. If we identify sustainability issues as a result of these surveys, we will work with our suppliers to resolve them.