



PART 1

ENHANCED MUIS FOREIGN HALAL CERTIFICATION BODIES RECOGNITION FRAMEWORK



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Recognition of Foreign Halal Certification Bodies (FHCB)

- Facilitate the use of imported food products for local halal-certified establishments as **MUIS does not certify products produced overseas**
- Part of **comprehensive efforts** to strengthen Singapore's strategic position as a **halal hub in global marketplace**



Two Recognition Pathways

Government Agencies

MOU in Mutual Recognition

Private Sector

Application via MUIS FHCB Recognition Scheme



Halal Food Imports in Singapore Ecosystem

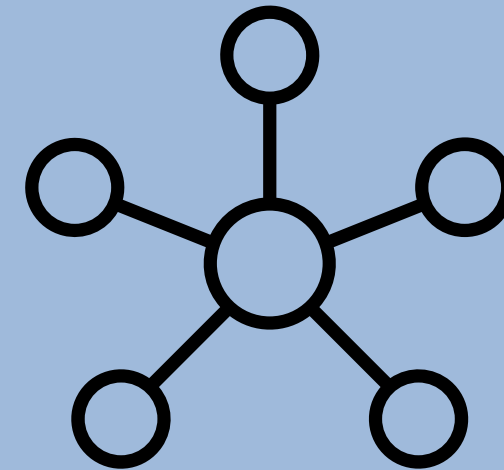




Strategic Underpinnings for Enhanced FHCB Recognition Framework



Strengthen governance on
FHCB recognition framework

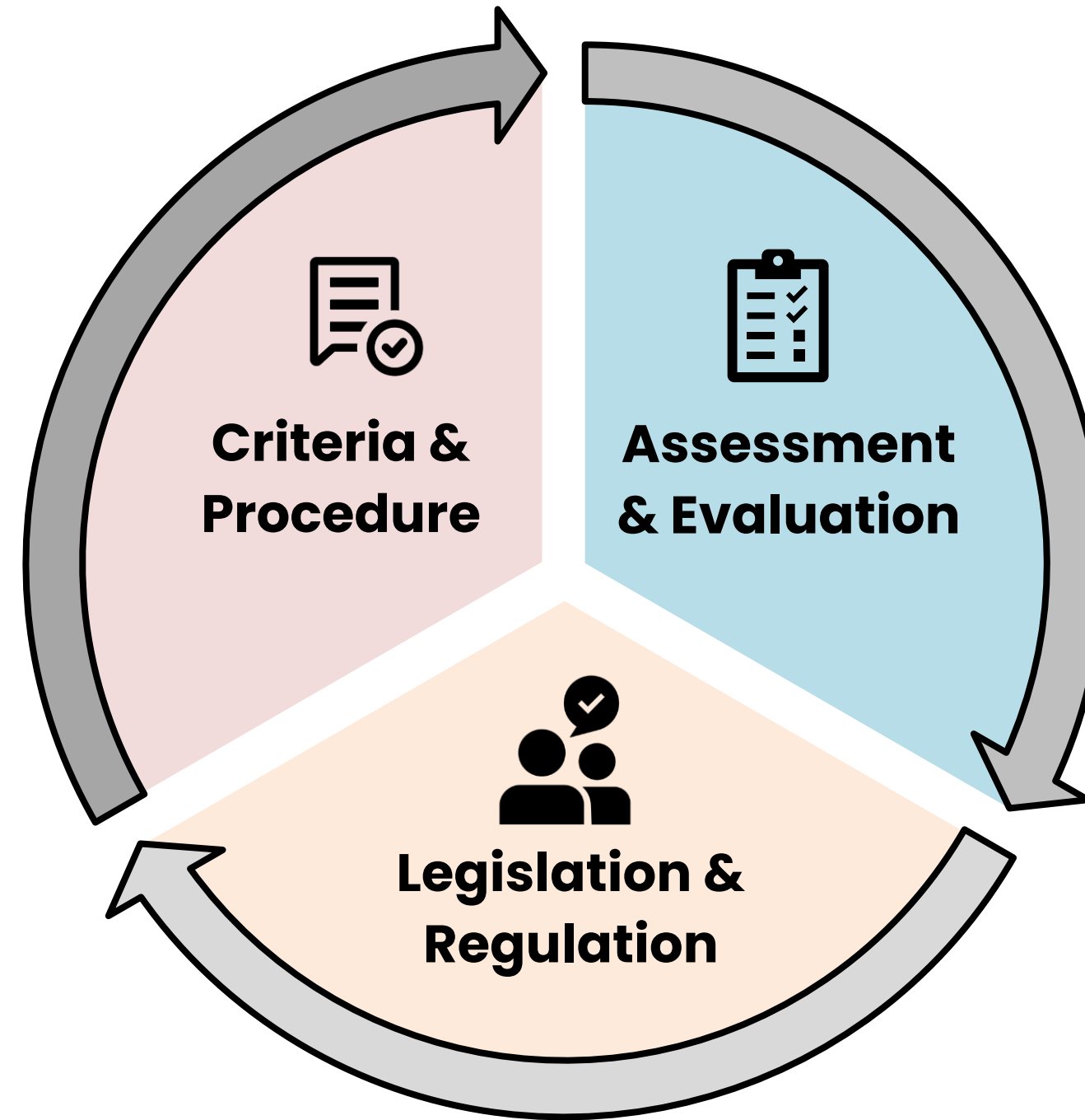


Building halal food resilience
through diversification of halal
food import

SCOPE OF ENHANCED FRAMEWORK



- Increased transparency in **Criteria & Procedure**
- Alignment with domestic halal consumption needs



- Comprehensive **Assessment & Evaluation** for application processing
- Utilisation of digital technology for data-driven decision making

Robust regulatory framework supported by new **Legislation and Regulation** under Administration of Muslim Law Act (AMLA)



New legislation commencing 1 October 2025

SECTION 88AA – FOREIGN HALAL CERTIFICATION BODY

Provides MUIS with statutory powers to **recognise any entity outside Singapore** that issues halal certificates, **impose any condition or limitation** in granting recognition, **prosecute against any falsification or misuse** of recognised FHCB halal certificates and marks

SECTION 88F – APPEAL COMMITTEE

Appointment of an independent
Appeal Committee

SECTION 88H – APPEAL TO APPEAL COMMITTEE

Any party aggrieved by decision made under
section 88AA may appeal to the Appeal Committee



Terms & Conditions for Recognition

CRITERIA

- **Established Islamic/Muslim organisation** registered and in operation for a **minimum period of two (2) years**
- Comply with any **requirements stipulated by MUIS** for the purposes of Recognition of the FHCB's halal certificates and marks

ORGANISATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- **Legally established** under the laws of its jurisdiction and **operate from legitimate premises**
- Organisational structure comprises of the following groups:
 1. Halal Management Committee
 2. Shariah Committee
 3. Technical & Shariah Auditors

COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT

- Maintains competent staff to operate as a credible HCB, with minimum **three (3) members per organisational group**
- At least **one (1) member per organisational group** to take a Certification Bodies' Assessment (CBA) as part of application requirements



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RISK CATEGORISATION

- Assessment and assignment of **risk categorisation** based on parameters **determined by MUIS**
- FHCB **may be subject to onsite audit within the period of recognition** based on risk categorisation

OPERATING SUBSIDIARY

- FHCB **subsidiaries in different countries** must apply for **separate recognition** from MUIS
- Regional certification is accepted for high-risk items, **except meat, poultry and its derivatives** which **must be certified** by FHCBs in the **same country as the processing establishment**

RECOGNITION VALIDITY & RENEWAL

- Recognition conditional on **undertaking of terms & conditions** prescribed ("**FHCB Agreement**")
- FHCB granted recognition by MUIS shall be **listed on its website and portal** during the recognition period

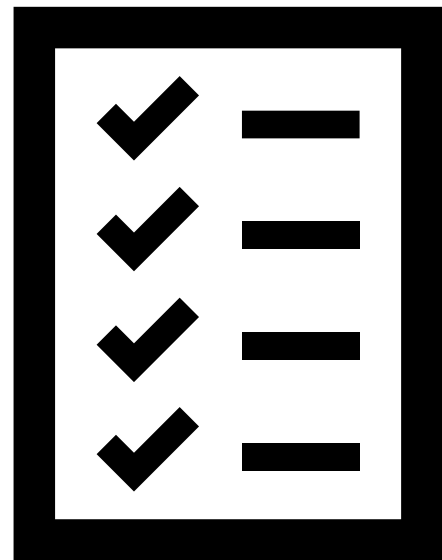


FHCB Risk Categorisation and Audit Framework

Risk Tier	Risk Level	Onsite Audit Requirements
Tier 1	High	Minimum one (1) onsite audit required
Tier 2	Medium	Onsite audit may be required
Tier 3	Low	No audit required



Key Risk Assessment Parameters



- Number of high-risk establishments certified
- Product export volume to Singapore
- Post-certification and internal audit frequency
- Other halal accreditations/recognitions attained
- Staff-to-establishment ratio
- Past track records
- Ownership changes



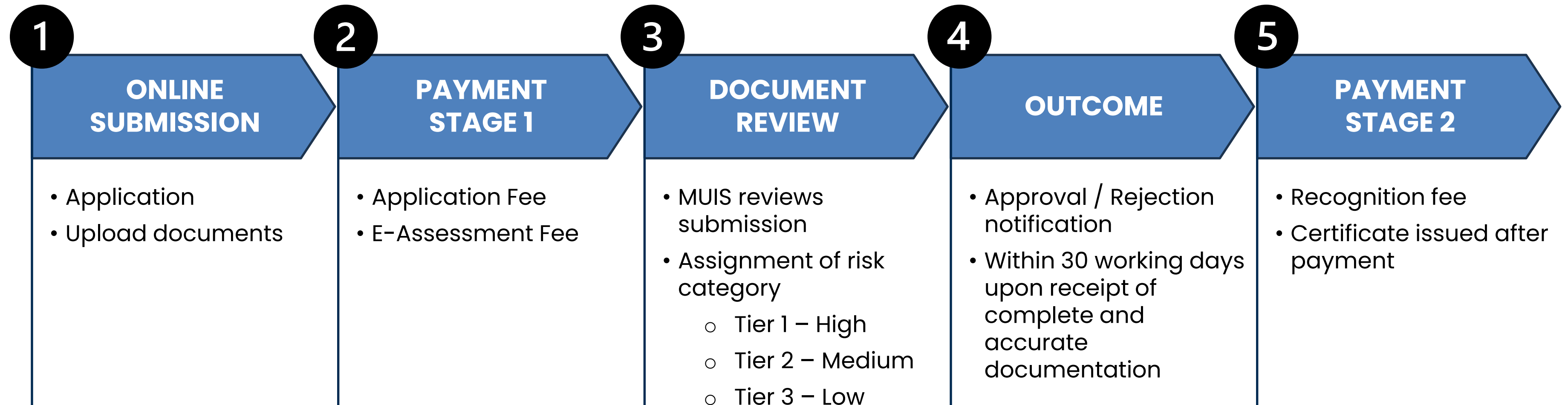
Fees Structure

No	Type of Fee	Fee (SGD)
1	Application Fee	\$1,000
2	E-Assessment Fee (per person)	\$120
3	Audit Fee*	\$700 per man day
4	Recognition Fee	\$2,000

*MUIS determines audit fee, number of audit personnel, and man days required based on FHCB size. FHCBs bear cost of travel and accommodation for onsite audit.



Overview of Application Process



Recognition valid for 3 years upon certificate issuance



Key Dates

24 Sep 2025	Launch of Enhanced MUIS FHCB Recognition Framework
1 Oct 2025	Publication of Terms & Conditions Application portal https://fhcb.muis.gov.sg opens
31 Dec 2025	Application deadline for existing recognised FHCBs
31 Jan 2026	Expiry of current MUIS recognition

Call to Action



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