



Methodological tool

“Tool to calculate project or leakage CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion”

(Version 02)

I. SCOPE, APPLICABILITY AND PARAMETERS

Scope and applicability

This tool provides procedures to calculate project and/or leakage CO₂ emissions from the combustion of fossil fuels. It can be used in cases where CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion are calculated based on the quantity of fuel combusted and its properties. Methodologies using this tool should specify to which combustion process *j* this tool is being applied.

Parameters

This tool provides procedures to determine the following parameters:

| Parameter | SI Unit | Description |
|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| PE _{FC,i,y} | tCO ₂ /yr | CO ₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion in process <i>j</i> during the year <i>y</i> |

II. BASELINE METHODOLOGY PROCEDURE

CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion in process *j* are calculated based on the quantity of fuels combusted and the CO₂ emission coefficient of those fuels, as follows:

$$PE_{FC,j,y} = \sum_i FC_{i,j,y} \times COEF_{i,y} \quad (1)$$

Where:

- PE_{FC,j,y} = Are the CO₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion in process *j* during the year *y* (tCO₂/yr);
- FC_{i,j,y} = Is the quantity of fuel type *i* combusted in process *j* during the year *y* (mass or volume unit/yr);
- COEF_{i,y} = Is the CO₂ emission coefficient of fuel type *i* in year *y* (tCO₂/mass or volume unit)
- i* = Are the fuel types combusted in process *j* during the year *y*

The CO₂ emission coefficient *COEF_{i,y}* can be calculated using one of the following two Options, depending on the availability of data on the fossil fuel type *i*, as follows:



Option A: The CO₂ emission coefficient $COEF_{i,y}$ is calculated based on the chemical composition of the fossil fuel type i , using the following approach:

$$\text{If } FC_{i,j,y} \text{ is measured in a mass unit: } COEF_{i,y} = w_{C,i,y} \times 44/12 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{If } FC_{i,j,y} \text{ is measured in a volume unit: } COEF_{i,y} = w_{C,i,y} \times \rho_{i,y} \times 44/12 \quad (3)$$

Where:

- $COEF_{i,y}$ = Is the CO₂ emission coefficient of fuel type i (tCO₂/mass or volume unit);
 $w_{C,i,y}$ = Is the weighted average mass fraction of carbon in fuel type i in year y (tC/mass unit of the fuel);
 $\rho_{i,y}$ = Is the weighted average density of fuel type i in year y (mass unit/volume unit of the fuel)
 i = Are the fuel types combusted in process j during the year y

Option B: The CO₂ emission coefficient $COEF_{i,y}$ is calculated based on net calorific value and CO₂ emission factor of the fuel type i , as follows:

$$COEF_{i,y} = NCV_{i,y} \times EF_{CO_2,i,y} \quad (4)$$

Where:

- $COEF_{i,y}$ = Is the CO₂ emission coefficient of fuel type i in year y (tCO₂/mass or volume unit)
 $NCV_{i,y}$ = Is the weighted average net calorific value of the fuel type i in year y (GJ/mass or volume unit)
 $EF_{CO_2,i,y}$ = Is the weighted average CO₂ emission factor of fuel type i in year y (tCO₂/GJ)
 i = Are the fuel types combusted in process j during the year y

Option A should be the preferred approach, if the necessary data is available.

III. MONITORING METHODOLOGY PROCEDURE

Monitoring procedures

Describe and specify in the CDM-PDD all monitoring procedures, including the type of measurement instrumentation used, the responsibilities for monitoring and QA/QC procedures that will be applied. Where the methodology provides different options (e.g. use of default values or on-site measurements), specify which option will be used. Meters should be installed, maintained and calibrated according to equipment manufacturer instructions and be in line with national standards, or, if these are not available, international standards (e.g. IEC, ISO).

All data collected as part of monitoring should be archived electronically and be kept at least for 2 years after the end of the last crediting period. 100% of the data should be monitored if not indicated differently in the comments in the tables below.

**Data and parameters monitored**

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|----------------------------------|---|
| Data / parameter: | $FC_{i,j,y}$ |
| Data unit: | Mass or volume unit per year (e.g. ton/yr or m ³ /yr) |
| Description: | Quantity of fuel type <i>i</i> combusted in process <i>j</i> during the year <i>y</i> |
| Source of data: | Onsite measurements |
| Measurement procedures (if any): | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use either mass or volume meters. In cases where fuel is supplied from small daily tanks, rulers can be used to determine mass or volume of the fuel consumed, with the following conditions: The ruler gauge must be part of the daily tank and calibrated at least once a year and have a book of control for recording the measurements (on a daily basis or per shift); • Accessories such as transducers, sonar and piezoelectronic devices are accepted if they are properly calibrated with the ruler gauge and receiving a reasonable maintenance; • In case of daily tanks with pre-heaters for heavy oil, the calibration will be made with the system at typical operational conditions. |
| Monitoring frequency: | Continuously |
| QA/QC procedures: | <p>The consistency of metered fuel consumption quantities should be cross-checked by an annual energy balance that is based on purchased quantities and stock changes.</p> <p>Where the purchased fuel invoices can be identified specifically for the CDM project, the metered fuel consumption quantities should also be cross-checked with available purchase invoices from the financial records.</p> |
| Any comment: | - |



| Data / parameter: | $w_{C,i,y}$ | | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|-------------|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Data unit: | tC/mass unit of the fuel | | | | | | | |
| Description: | Weighted average mass fraction of carbon in fuel type <i>i</i> in year <i>y</i> | | | | | | | |
| Source of data: | The following data sources may be used if the relevant conditions apply: | | | | | | | |
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| Measurement procedures (if any): | Measurements should be undertaken in line with national or international fuel standards | | | | | | | |
| Monitoring frequency: | The mass fraction of carbon should be obtained for each fuel delivery, from which weighted average annual values should be calculated | | | | | | | |
| QA/QC procedures: | Verify if the values under a) and b) are within the uncertainty range of the IPCC default values as provided in Table 1.2, Vol. 2 of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines. If the values fall below this range collect additional information from the testing laboratory to justify the outcome or conduct additional measurements. The laboratories in b) should have ISO17025 accreditation or justify that they can comply with similar quality standards. | | | | | | | |
| Any comment: | Applicable where Option A is used | | | | | | | |



| Data / parameter: | $\rho_{i,y}$ | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|---|------------------------|--|--|
| Data unit: | Mass unit/volume unit | | | | | | | | |
| Description: | Weighted average density of fuel type i in year y | | | | | | | | |
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| Measurement procedures (if any): | Measurements should be undertaken in line with national or international fuel standards | | | | | | | | |
| Monitoring frequency: | The density of the fuel should be obtained for each fuel delivery, from which weighted average annual values should be calculated | | | | | | | | |
| QA/QC procedures: | | | | | | | | | |
| Any comment: | Applicable where Option A is used and where $FC_{i,j,y}$ is measured in a volume unit. Preferably the same data source should be used for $w_{C,i,y}$ and $\rho_{i,y}$. | | | | | | | | |



| Data / parameter: | $NCV_{i,y}$ | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------|--|--|--|------------------------|
| Data unit: | GJ per mass or volume unit (e.g. GJ/m ³ , GJ/ton) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description: | Weighted average net calorific value of fuel type <i>i</i> in year <i>y</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Any comment: | Applicable where Option B is used | | | | | | | | | | |



| Data / parameter: | EF _{CO₂,i,y} | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-------------|--------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|---|------------------------|--|---|--|------------------------|--|
| Data unit: | tCO ₂ /GJ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Description: | Weighted average CO ₂ emission factor of fuel type <i>i</i> in year <i>y</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Any comment: | Applicable where option B is used. For a): If the fuel supplier does provide the NCV value and the CO ₂ emission factor on the invoice and these two values are based on measurements for this specific fuel, this CO ₂ factor should be used. If another source for the CO ₂ emission factor is used or no CO ₂ emission factor is provided, Options b), c) or d) should be used. | | | | | | | | | | | |

IV. REFERENCES AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION

Not applicable.

**History of the document**

| Version | Date | Nature of revision(s) |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 02 | EB 41, Annex 11 02 August 2008 | The tool was revised to clarify that the use of rulers is an acceptable measurement method for monitoring $FC_{i,j,y}$. |
| 01 | EB 32, Annex 9 22 June 2007 | Initial adoption. |