

# **STATUS OF BIODIESEL IMPLEMENTATION IN MALAYSIA AND BIODIESEL SPECIFICATIONS**

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# Biodiesel in Malaysia

- Lab scale R&D – 1982
- Pilot plant built and commissioned – 1985
- Produces palm biodiesel for engine testing and market seeding
- Preliminary Field Trial (July 1984 – May 1985) : 8 taxis
- Exhaustive Field Trial (Phase I): 1986- 1989 : 31 diesel engines of different makes
- Exhaustive Field Trial (Phase II): 1990 – 1994: 36 buses
- Fully established palm biodiesel as diesel substitute in 1995



**MPOB Palm Biodiesel Pilot Plant  
(3,000 TPA)**



# Palm Biodiesel and Phytonutrients Plants Built using MPOB Technologies

## (A) Biodiesel Plants in Malaysia – 8 plants

Normal Grade Palm Biodiesel Plant (Pour Point 12 to 18 deg. C)



Johor, Malaysia  
(2006)



Selangor, Malaysia  
(2008)



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(2008)



Selangor, Malaysia  
(2009)



Sarawak, Malaysia  
(2014)

## Winter Grade Palm Biodiesel Plant (Pour Point 0 to -21 deg. C)



Johor, Malaysia  
(2006)



Selangor, Malaysia  
(2007)



Selangor, Malaysia  
(2008)

## (B) Biodiesel Plants Overseas – 4 plants

Normal Grade Palm Biodiesel Plant (Pour Point 12 to 18 deg. C)



South Korea  
(2007)



Thailand  
(2008)



Thailand  
(2015)



Colombia  
(2015)

## (C) Phytonutrients Plants in Malaysia – 2 plants



Johor, Malaysia  
(2009)



Sarawak, Malaysia  
(2016)

# Beginning of biodiesel industry: Launching of The World First Integrated Palm Biodiesel Plant (15 August 2005)



# National Biofuel Policy

The National Biofuel Policy launched in March 2006.

Five (5) strategic thrusts :-

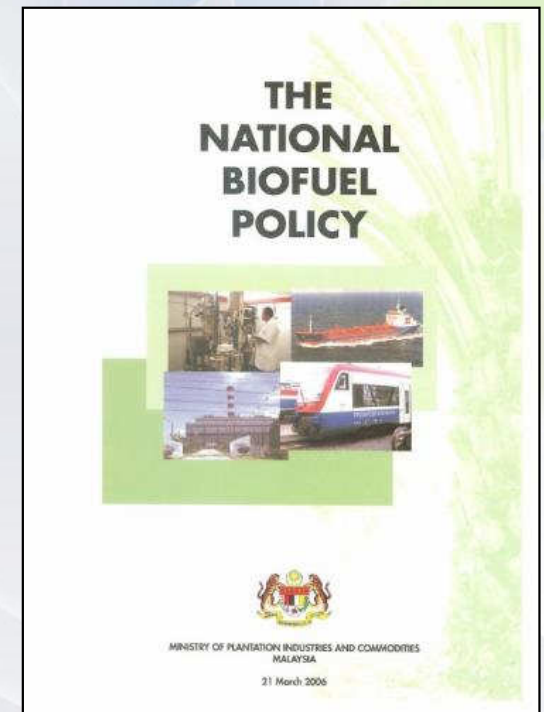
## **Thrust 1: Biofuel for Transport**

Thrust 2: Biofuel for Industry

Thrust 3: Biofuel Technologies

Thrust 4: Biofuel for Export

Thrust 5: Biofuel for Cleaner Environment





# Installation of Biodiesel In-line Blending Facilities at 35 Petroleum Depots Throughout Malaysia (2011-2015)



PME storage tanks



Blending facilities



Unloading area



Pumps area

# Biodiesel Mandates in Malaysia

Implementation Date	% of Blending	State Involved	Sector
June – October 2011	B5	Putrajaya, Selangor, Kuala Lumpur, Negeri Sembilan and Melaka	Transportation and other subsidised sector
July 2013	B5	Johor	
October 2013	B5	Penang, Kedah, Perak and Perlis	
January 2014	B5	Pahang, Kelantan and Terengganu	
November – December 2014	B7	Whole Peninsular Malaysia	
January 2015	B7	Nationwide (Including Sarawak, Sabah and Labuan)	

# Malaysian Biodiesel Plants and Capacity (June 2017)

Status	No. of Plants	Biodiesel Production Capacity (Tonnes/Year)
Commercial Production*	22	2,678,000
Not in commercial production**	9	675,740
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3,353,740</b>

Note:

\* On / off production.

\*\* Biodiesel plants which have completed but yet to commence production, and also includes those licensees in other stages and still valid under the Biofuel Industry Act, MPIC.



# Malaysian Biodiesel

## (Production, Exports and Export Earnings)

Year	Biodiesel Production (Tonnes)	Biodiesel Exports (Tonnes)	Biodiesel Export Earnings (RM Million)
June - Dec 2006	54,981	47,986	120.89
2007	129,706	95,013	253.20
2008	171,555	182,108	610.70
2009	222,217	227,457	605.75
2010	117,173	89,609	266.53
2011	173,220	49,999	179.72
2012	249,213	28,983	98.44
2013	472,129	175,032	502.61
2014	602,334	87,356	257.37
2015	673,532	178,942	483.57
2016	500,833	83,581	247.70

# Malaysian Biodiesel Industry Capacity Utilization (2016)

No.	Subjects	
1.	No. of plants in operation	17
2.	Total production capacity (tonnes/year)	2,068,000
3.	Total biodiesel production in 2016 (tonnes)	500,833
4.	Biodiesel production capacity utilisation (%)	24.2

## Note :

- Total no. of established biodiesel plants as end December 2016 was 34 (3.30 mil. tonnes/year of production capacity).

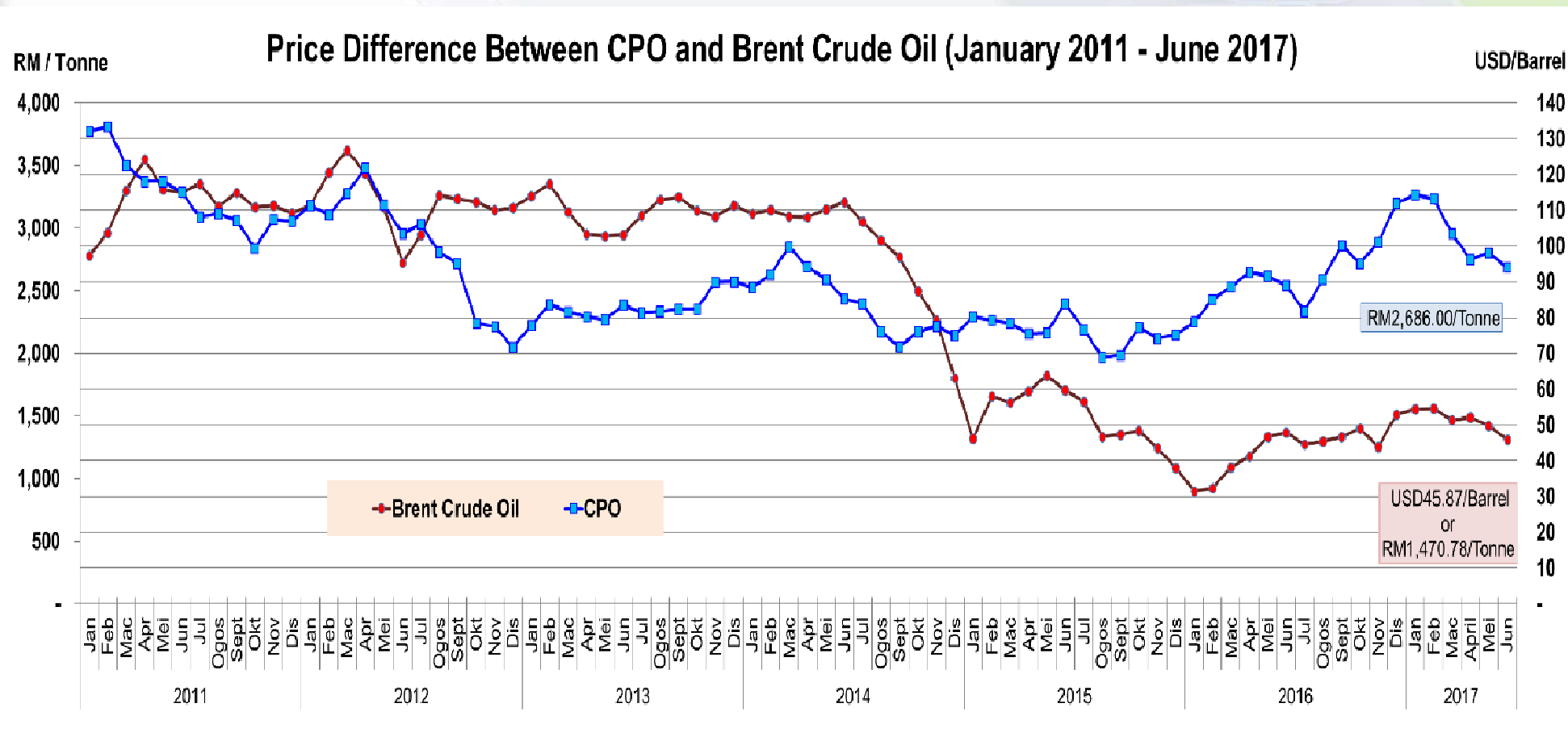
## **Cabinet Decision on Implementation of B10 for Transportation Sector (June 2016)**

- Exemption for retail stations at highlands to continue supplying B7
- Exemption for Euro 5 diesel to be blended with 7% biodiesel

Currently there are about 10% of retail stations in Malaysia are selling both Euro 2M (B7) and Euro 5 diesel (B7).

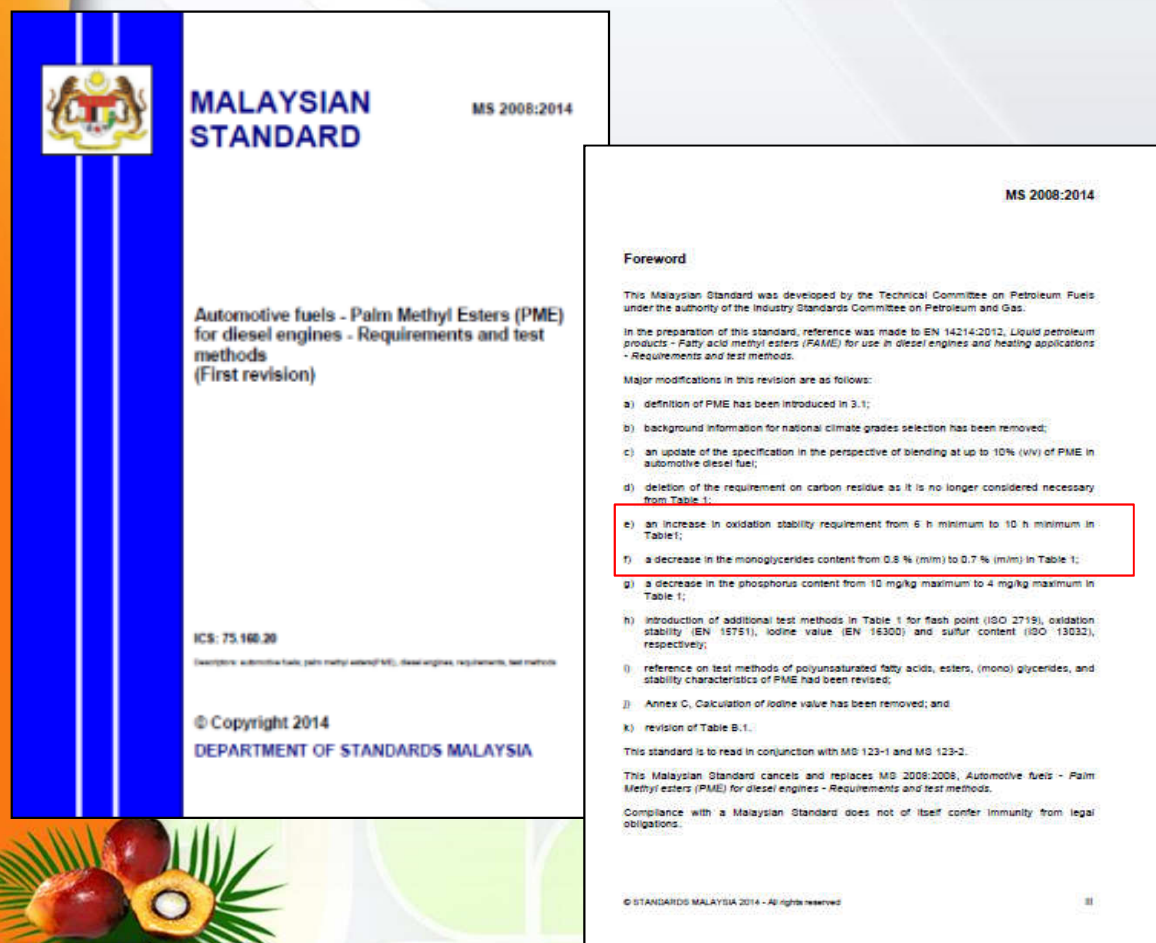


Due to huge price gap between Brent crude oil and palm oil, the government decided to defer the B10 implementation plan.



# Malaysian Standard of Palm Methyl Ester (MS 2008)

- The first national PME standard published in 2008
- Developed based on EN 14214
- Adopted both ASTM and EN / ISO standard as test methods
- 1<sup>st</sup> revision published in 2014



Major modification in this revision is as follows:

- Deletion of the requirement on carbon residue
- An increase in oxidation stability requirement from 6 h minimum to 10 h minimum
- A decrease in the monoglycerides content from 0.8 % (m/m) to 0.7 % (m/m)
- A decrease in phosphorus content from 10ppm to 4 ppm

# Specifications in MS 2008:2014

Table 1. General applicable requirements and test methods

Property	Unit	Limits		Test methods*
		Minimum	Maximum	
FAME content	% (m/m)	96.5 <sup>b</sup>	-	EN 14103
Density at 15 °C <sup>c</sup>	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	860	900	ISO 3675 <sup>d</sup> ISO 12185 ASTM D 4052 ASTM D 1298
Viscosity at 40 °C	mm <sup>2</sup> /s	3.50	5.00	ISO 3104 <sup>e</sup> ASTM D 445
Flash point <sup>f</sup>	°C	120	-	ISO 2719 <sup>g</sup> ISO 3679 <sup>g</sup> ASTM D 93
Sulfur content	mg/kg	-	10.0	ISO 20846 <sup>h</sup> ISO 20884 ISO 13032 ASTM D 5453
Cetane number <sup>d,2</sup>		51.0	-	ISO 5165 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 613 ASTM D 6890
Sulfated ash content	% (m/m)	-	0.02	ISO 3987 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 874
Water content	mg/kg	-	500	ISO 12937 <sup>e</sup> ASTM E 203 ASTM D 6304
Total contamination	mg/kg	-	24	EN 12662 <sup>h</sup>
Copper strip corrosion (3 h at 50 °C)	rating	Class 1		ISO 2160 <sup>g</sup> ASTM D 130
Oxidation stability, 110 °C	hours	10.0	-	EN 14112 <sup>g</sup> EN 15751
Acid value	mg KOH/g	-	0.50	EN 14104 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 664
Iodine value	g iodine/100 g	-	110	EN 14111 <sup>d</sup> EN 16300
Linolenic acid methyl ester	% (m/m)	-	12.0	EN 14103
Polyunsaturated (≥4 double bonds) methyl esters	% (m/m)	-	1	EN 15779
Methanol content	% (m/m)	-	0.20	EN 14110
Monoglyceride content	% (m/m)	-	0.70	EN 14105 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 6584



# Specifications in MS 2008:2014

Table 1. General applicable requirements and test methods (continued)

Property	Unit	Limits		Test methods <sup>a</sup>
		Minimum	Maximum	
Diglyceride content	% (m/m)	-	0.20	EN 14105 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 6584
Triglyceride content	% (m/m)	-	0.20	EN 14105 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 6584
Free glycerol	% (m/m)	-	0.02	EN 14105 <sup>d</sup> EN 14106 ASTM D 6584
Total glycerol	% (m/m)	-	0.25	EN 14105 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 6584
Group I metal (Na + K) <sup>f</sup>	mg/kg	-	5.0	EN 14108 <sup>d</sup> EN 14109 EN 14538
Group II metals (Ca + Mg)	mg/kg	-	5.0	EN 14538
Phosphorus content	mg/kg	-	4.0	EN 14107 <sup>d</sup> ASTM D 4951
CFPP	°C	-	15	EN 116

<sup>a</sup> See 6.4.1

<sup>b</sup> The addition of non-PME components other than additives is not allowed, see 6.2.

<sup>c</sup> Density may be measured by ISO 3675 over a range of temperatures from 20 °C to 60 °C. Temperature correction shall be made according to the formula given in Annex C.

<sup>d</sup> See 6.4.2.

<sup>e</sup> See Annex B for precision data.

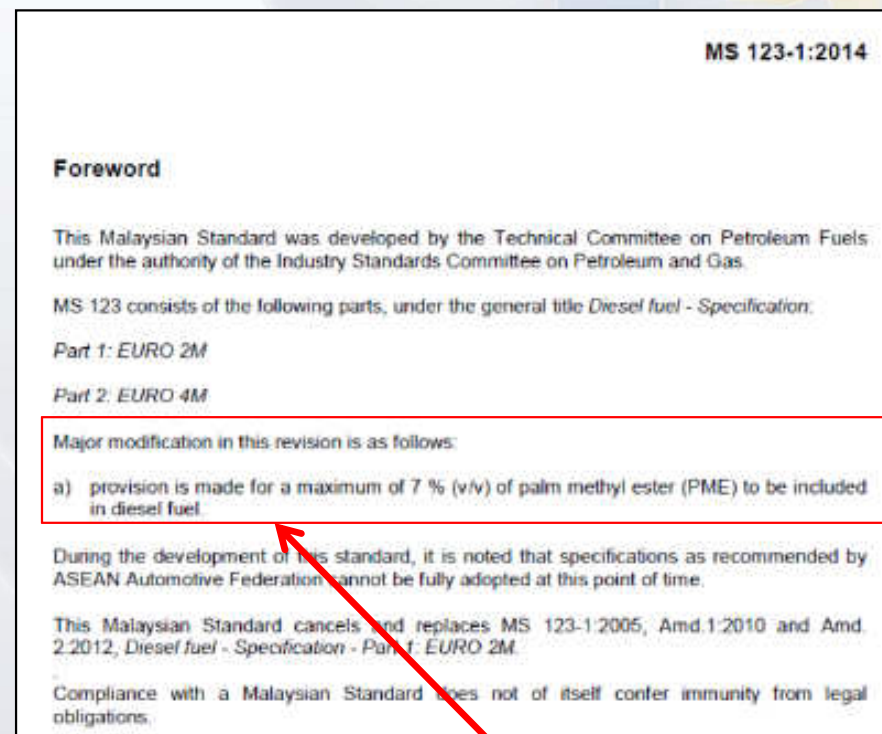
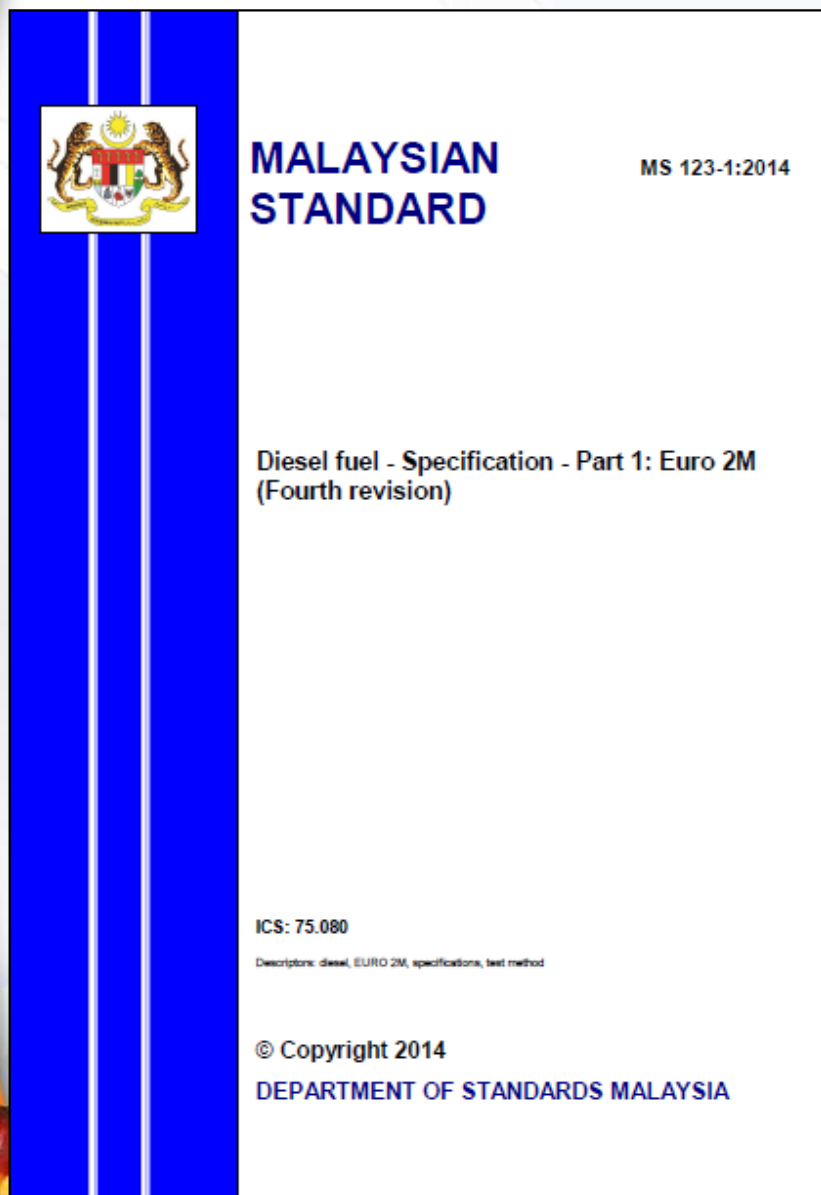
<sup>f</sup> A 2 ml sample and apparatus equipped with a thermal detection device shall be used.

<sup>g</sup> See 6.4.3.

<sup>h</sup> This test method developed for diesel fuel may show analytical problem when applied to PME. A more suitable test method is under development by CEN.

# MS 123:2014 – Standard Revision on Diesel Fuel

## Part 1: Euro2M



***Major modification in this revision is as follows:***

***a) provision is made for a maximum of 7 % (v/v) of palm methyl ester (PME) to be included in diesel fuel.***

# Specifications in MS123:2014 (Part 1)

**Table 1. General requirements for diesel fuel**

Properties	Minimum	Maximum	Referee test method
Colour (ASTM)	-	2.5	ASTM D1500
Ash, mass %	-	0.01	ASTM D482
Cloud point, °C	-	19.0	ASTM D2500
Flash point, °C	60	-	ASTM D93
Kinematic viscosity at 40 °C, mm <sup>2</sup> /s	1.5	5.8	ASTM D445
Copper corrosion (3 h at 100 °C)	-	1	ASTM D130
Water by distillation, vol %	-	0.05	ASTM D95
Sediment by extraction, mass %	-	0.01	ASTM D473
Carbon residue on 10 % bottoms, mass %	-	0.20	ASTM D189
Density at 15 °C, kg/L	0.810	0.870	ASTM D1298
Acid number, mg KOH/g	-	0.25	ASTM D664
Electrical conductivity, pS/m	50	-	ASTM D2624
Cetane index or Cetane number	49	-	ASTM D976  ASTM D613
Physical distillation at 95 % recovered volume, °C  or Simulated distillation at 95 % recovered mass, °C	-	370	ASTM D86
Lubricity, µm	-	460	ASTM D2887 ASTM D6079
Total sulphur, mg/kg	-	500	ASTM D2622

**NOTES:**

1. No intentional additions of metallic additives are allowed.

2. Other test methods as specified in Annex B for determining the properties may be used, provided that they have been demonstrated to give the same degree of accuracy as the test methods listed. In the event of a dispute, the test method listed in this table is to be the referee method.

3. A suitable method for the separation and identification of Fatty acid methyl ester (FAME) is given in EN 14331.



# MPOB B10/B20 Trial Projects



**B10 Peugeot Car**



**B10 & B20 MPOB Vehicles**



**B10 with Alam Flora**



**B10 for DBKL vehicles**



**Transfer of skid tank to Alam Flora Transfer station, Taman Beringin for the use of extension B10 trial project for 10 trucks**





## **B10 / B20 MPOB Vehicles (since 2013): Breakdown of brand of vehicles in B10 Project**

<b>Model</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>No. of Vehicles</b>	<b>Engine Maker</b>
Mitsubishi	4 wheel drive	5	Japan
Ford	4 wheel drive	3	USA
Toyota	4 wheel drive	9	Japan
Hyundai	4 wheel drive	1	Japan
Ssangyong	4 wheel drive	1	Korea
Mercedes Benz	Passenger	1	Germany
Peugeot	Passenger	5	Germany
Mazda 6 (2017)	Passenger	1	Japan
Total		26	





# List of 50 KL City Hall Diesel Vehicles Involved in B10 Programme (2014)

No.	Registration No	Type of Vehicles	Model
1	WWT2270	Excavator & Backhoe, Wheeled	Case 580N
2	WWS8562	Tractor Shovel, Wheeled	Komatsu WA200-5
3	WSD0371	Excavator, Wheeled	Hitachi ZX210W-3
4	WSR7809	Excavator & Backhoe, Wheeled	Case 580M
5	WSN3014	Tractor Shovel, Wheeled	Komatsu WA250-3A
6	WRV4893	Excavator & Backhoe, Wheeled	JCB 3CX
7	WPY9079	Tractor Shovel, Wheeled	TCM L20-3
8	WJM9072	Tractor Shovel, Wheeled	Dressta 515C
9	WRF7421	Transporter (Vehicle Carrier)	Hicom MTB170UV
10	WWJ1787	Flatbottom Lorry with Taillift	Hino GD1JLPA
11	WRP4169	Tipper, End with High Side	Hino GD1JLPA
12	WRN7045	Flatbottom Lorry with Taillift	Nissan LKC214N
13	WRK3697	Tipper, End with High Side	Hino GD1JLPA
14	WRG6221	Patching Lorry	Nissan LKC214N
15	WPA9372	Tipper, End with High Side	Nissan LKA211N
16	WMT2813	Tipper, End with High Side	Nissan LKA211N
17	WMT3847	Tipper, End with High Side	Nissan LKA211N
18	WKT4002	Tipper, 3-way 5-ton	Isuzu FSR33H
19	WKN4023	Tipper, End with High Side	Nissan LKA211N
20	WKC2762	Flatbottom Lorry, 2.5 ton with Taillift	Hicom Perkasa MTB150DX
21	WKA3235	Tipper, End 5 ton with Crane	Isuzu FSR33L
22	WJX7265	Tipper, 3-way 5-ton	Nissan LKA211N
23	WJF1941	Tipper, 3-way 5-ton	Nissan LKA211N
24	WJD4302	Tipper, 3-way 5-ton	Nissan LKA211N
25	WHX7665	Tipper, 3-way 5-ton	Nissan LKA211N
26	WHT4136	Tipper, End 5 ton	Nissan LKA211N
27	WND8796	Aerial Platform	Hicom Perkasa MTB170UV
28	WSL3715	Aerial Platform	Nissan-Bizzocchi Autel NU41H5/187HP 18.0M
29	WSL3708	Aerial Platform	Nissan-Bizzocchi Autel NU41H5/187HP 18.0M
30	WSK4209	Tanker, Water	Nissan LKC214N(UBS)
31	WQX5295	Tanker, Water	Nissan LKC214N(UBS)
32	WNT1074	Tanker, Water	Nissan LKA211N
33	WMU6791	Tanker, Water	Isuzu FSR33H
34	WKH8583	Recovery Truck	Volvo FM10 6x2
35	WNG0180	Tow Truck with Axle Lift	Nissan NU41H5
36	WVX8040	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Nissan Frontier
37	WPP8657	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Ford Ranger UT5L
38	WPP8659	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Ford Ranger UT5L
39	WNP1847	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Ford Ranger UT5K FM1
40	WNP1866	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Ford Ranger UT5K FM1
41	WMP6511	Pick-up Truck	Toyota Hilux Single Cab (M)
42	WML8253	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Mazda B2500
43	WLJ5425	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Isuzu Rodeo TFS 55HDRP
44	WXK3642	Pick-up Truck with Crew Cab	Nissan Frontier
45	WXK3673	Pick-up Truck	Nissan Navara
46	WXK3764	Pick-up Truck	Nissan Navara
47	WPM3004	Van	Kia Pregio
48	WRG4055	OKU Van	Weststar LDV Maxus 2.5
49	WKN7910	Tractor Shovel, Wheeled	TCM L20
50	WYC5958	Flatbottom Lorry 3 ton with Taillift	Nissan NU41T5

# Conclusion

- Malaysian government is committed to implement high blend of biodiesel as greener fuel in the future.
- Short term goal is to implement B15 in 2020 as stipulated in the 11<sup>th</sup> Malaysian Plan.
- Plans to conduct joint research with JAMA and local universities using high biodiesel blends are being discussed.

# Thank you

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