Publishing the Feed Standard is the first milestone of the feed certification programme to implement the standard and enable feed mills to achieve certification.

The different documents which will be published as part of the feed certification programme are shown in the diagram below.

**STANDARD documents**
- ASC Feed Standard
- Implementation Guide
- Requirements for Units of Certification

**ASSURANCE documents**
- Certification and Accreditation Requirements
- Relevant for Feed mills
- Relevant for CABs

**THE ASC FEED STANDARD**

**IMPLEMENTATION TIMETABLE**

- **Publication of the ASC Feed Standard v1.0**
  - 15th June 2021
  - Feed mills, their suppliers and any interested stakeholders are encouraged to review the standard in order to understand its requirements.

- **Public consultation and pilots of the CAR & RUoC**
  - September/October 2021
  - A 60-day public consultation window will open on the Certification and Accreditation Requirements (CAR) and the Requirements for Unit of Certification (RUoC).

- **Release of the CAR & RUoC**
  - Spring 2022
  - Version 1.0 of the CAR and the RUoC will be released following the review of Public Consultation feedback. This marks the start of the accreditation process for Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs). Feed mills shall also implement the RUoC.

- **Publication of the Implementation Guidance**
  - Spring 2022
  - Version 1.0 of the Implementation Guidance will be published.

- **Feed Standard becomes effective**
  - Autumn 2022
  - From the effective date, an initial audit can take place and, following certification timelines, an ASC certificate can be issued from the CAB and Feed can be sold as ASC Certified.

- **Farm Transition Period**
  - Autumn 2022
  - This marks the start of the 24-month transition period for farms to switch to ASC compliant feed.