

## **Preconditions for retroactive crediting**

Under retroactive crediting we understand the issuance of Carbon Removal Certificates for biochar produced before the biochar batch registration.

Retroactive crediting is up to the discretion of the Standard Provider CSI and can be provided for a period of maximum 3 months prior biochar batch registration.

### European biochar Certificate

According to the Guidelines for a sustainable production of biochar, chapter 5 a production batch cannot be reported retroactively. Generally, Carbon Removal Certificates can only be issued for biochar produced quantities which are reported within this batch registration. If the following preconditions are met, a Retroactive Crediting is possible.

- Feedstock did not change to the situation prior to certification. Proofs like invoices of the feedstock purchase or similar can be provided.
- Process parameters like pyrolysis temperature are similar to the situation prior to certification. Parameters were measured during the period prior to the Technical Pre-Audit. Proofs like meter readings, production protocol can be provided for the process parameters.
- Biochar characteristics did not change to the situation prior to Technical Pre-Audit. Samples of the produced biochar can be provided for the period for which retroactive crediting shall be granted.