

FOREST SERVICE

Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

AFFORESTATION **FORM1: APPLICATION FOR LICENCE**

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Contract No.	
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Licence Only

Licence and Grant

APPLICANT DETAILS

PLEASE COMPLETE IN **BLOCK CAPITALS**

1.	Surname														
2.	First Name(s)			Title:											
3.	Company Name (if applicable)														
4.	Address (postal)														
5.	Date of Birth (for verification purposes only)	<table border="1"><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>											6.	E-mail Address	
			7.	Fax Number											
8.	Telephone Numbers	Home	Business	Mobile											
9.	PPS Number of each applicant														
10.	Farm / Herd No.														
11.	Vat No. (if any)														
12.	C.R.O. No.														
13.	Tax District														
14.	Occupation	<input type="checkbox"/> Farmer	<input type="checkbox"/> Part-time Farmer												
		<input type="checkbox"/> Non- Farmer	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Body												
		<input type="checkbox"/> Public Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Other												
15.	Ownership of Farm	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Lessee											
16.	Total Farm Size	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 3 hectares	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 hectares or more												

SITE LOCATION

17.	County		
18.	Townland/s PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS		
19.	District Electoral Division	20. Folio No.	
21.	Nearest Village		
22.	Site Area	Hectares	
23.	O.S. 6" Map No.		

OWNERSHIP AND USE OF PROPOSED SITE

24.	Ownership	<p>Are you the owner of the lands Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No * <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>If 'No' please tick the appropriate boxes</i></p> <p>Part-owner <input type="checkbox"/> Commonage <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Joint Management Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Leased <input type="checkbox"/> Other * <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>If 'partnership', please specify with whom:</i></p> <p>*Written consent of owner to be provided</p>
25.	Constraints of ownership	Turbary <input type="checkbox"/> Right of way <input type="checkbox"/> Grazing <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/>
26.	Present use (hectares)	Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Lands must be in Agricultural use to qualify for the Afforestation Scheme</i>
27.	Land Status (in hectares)	Unenclosed <input type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/>
28.	Access road to site	Do you have adequate access to manage the site? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Permission to use <input type="checkbox"/>
29.	Site Notice	Site notice has been erected at the entrance to the site? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

DECLARATION, CONSENT AND APPLICATION

I am over 18 years old.		
I understand that an applicant cannot claim forestry grant or premium in respect of any area that is included in his/her claim under any other area-linked EU scheme in the same calendar year, except where the applicant has fulfilled national rules for these schemes.		
I hereby apply for an Afforestation Licence. I understand that I must not undertake any forestry work, preliminary or otherwise, before I receive written notification from the Forest Service. Otherwise this will constitute an unapproved development and there will be no entitlement to the grant or premium.		
The details given on this form are correct to the best of my knowledge.		
I consent to the release of non-personal information supplied by me in respect of this application as required to comply with current environmental consultation procedures and Freedom of Information Acts.		
I enclose/will provide relevant documentation in relation to ownership of the lands in question. I understand that this documentation may be provided before any grant will be paid.		
I am responsible for the successful establishment of this forest. The Department will not be held liable for any issues that may arise regardless of any Department inspection that this site may receive.		
I agree that my details can be released to Teagasc or other state agencies and/or third level institutions who may subsequently communicate with me, in relation to forestry educational, training and development events, research, promotional material and the harvesting of timber.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
I agree to be contacted by the Department in respect of forestry educational, training and promotional events.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Applicant(s) Signature	Date	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>

Where the application is made on behalf of more than one person, all parties must sign. Where the application is made on behalf of the company or legal entity, please enter the official status of the signatory, e.g. Company Secretary

Contract No. **SILVICULTURE CONSIDERATIONS**

		YES	NO	R*
1.	Is the site suitable for 10% Broadleaf afforestation?			
2.	If the site is suitable for 10% Broadleaf, does the proposed Broadleaf plot meet the minimum width criteria?			
3.	Will at least 10% of the total Conifer area be a species other than Sitka Spruce/Lodgepole Pine?			
4.	Is this site prone to flooding?			
5.	The site is free of shell marl or highly calcareous soils?			

*Separate report attached

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

		YES	NO	R*
Does the proposed afforestation project involve an area of 50 hectares or more? If yes, the application must be accompanied by an Environmental Impact Statement				
1.	Water Quality			
1.1	Is the area designated potentially acid sensitive by this Department?			
1.2	Is the area > 5ha and sensitive for fisheries?			
1.3	Is the area non-sensitive for fisheries and > 40ha?			
1.4	Is the area > 10ha and within a catchment area of a Local Authority designated waterscheme?			
2.	Designated Habitats			
2.1	Is the area within a NHA, pNHA, SAC, SPA or National Park? Specify site code(s).			
2.2	If the area is within a NHA, is a completed Notifiable Action Form/Action Requiring Consent Form (consent from National Parks and Wildlife Service) included?			
2.3	If the area is within a Hen Harrier SPA, will operations occur between 1 st April and 15 th August inclusive?			
2.4	Is the area within a NPWS referral zone for NHA, pNHA, SAC or SPA?			
2.5	Is the area within 3km upstream of a NHA, pNHA, SAC, SPA or National Park? Specify code(s).			
2.6	Is the area within a Freshwater Pearl Mussel 6km zone? If YES, the Forestry and Fresh Water Pearl Mussel Requirements Forms A and B should be included with the application.			
2.7	Is the area within a Freshwater Pearl Mussel catchment?			
2.8	Does the area contain a current REPS plan habitat?			
3.	Archaeology			
3.1	Does the area contain an archaeological site or feature with intensive public usage?			
3.2	Does the area contain or adjoin a listed archaeological site or monument?			
4.	Landscape			
4.1	Is the area within a prime scenic area in the County Development Plan?			
4.2	Are there any other High Amenity Landscape considerations?			
5.	Size for Notification to Local Authority			
5.1	Is the area greater than 25ha?			
6.	Other Environmental Considerations			
6.1	Specify			

*Separate report attached

Note: If present, all items listed may require the Forest Service to consult with prescribed bodies, while those in **bold type** may require the Forest Service to undertake public consultation.

Calcium Carbonate CaCO ₃ Test Results as per question 1.1	Required	Submitted	Result Pending

	OS Map No.	Date	Result mg CaCO ₃ per litre
February			
March			
April			
May			
Drainage survey Results		Required <input type="checkbox"/>	Submitted <input type="checkbox"/>
Soil Analysis		Required <input type="checkbox"/>	Submitted <input type="checkbox"/>
Did you notify the Forest Service District Inspector in advance of the exact location time and date of samples to be taken for CaCO ₃ ?		Yes	No

- Original documentation of test results should be attached displaying the exact location time and date of samples taken.

OPERATIONAL PROPOSAL DETAILS

Ground Preparation	Woody Weed Removal	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mole Drainage	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Ripping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mounding	<input type="checkbox"/>
	None (Pit Plant)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ploughing	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other Details:			
Standard Stocking & Spacing	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	If No please give details:	
Planting Method	Angle Notch	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pit	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Machine	<input type="checkbox"/>	Slit	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tree shelters (GPC 1 -10)	Required	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fertiliser	Zero	<input type="checkbox"/>	250 Kg grp*	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Split Application	<input type="checkbox"/>	350 KG grp*	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other Details <input type="checkbox"/>			
Drainage	Required	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fencing	Stock	<input type="checkbox"/>	m IS436	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Stock / Rabbit	<input type="checkbox"/>	m IS436	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Stock / Sheep	<input type="checkbox"/>	m IS436	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Deer	<input type="checkbox"/>	m IS436	<input type="checkbox"/>
Upgrade Existing Fence(s)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Firebreaks/Reservoir	Required	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not Required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Road Access	Provided	<input type="checkbox"/>	Required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vegetation Management (give details)	Year 0			
	Year 1			
	Year 2			
	Year 3			
GPC11 Specific	Tree Shelters being used	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Plant size and stocking levels confirmed (GPC	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
GPC12 Specific	Is land free draining arable or pasture soils?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Are there surface water gleys without a peat layer	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Improved genetic material being used	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>

APPLICATION AND DECLARATION BY REGISTERED FORESTER

Declaration

- I enclose a map of the proposed site with a label detailing the proposed species as specified in the Forestry Standards and procedures Manual and in the Scheme documents.
- I hereby apply for an Afforestation Licence.
- I declare that the proposal as detailed above meets the conditions of the Afforestation Scheme as defined in the Forestry Standards and Procedures Manual and in the Scheme document.
- I declare that I have complied with all necessary protocols, procedures, silvicultural and other standards, as outlined in the Forest Service publications and updates to the Registered Foresters.
- I declare that I am registered on the Departments register of Foresters and entitled on the basis of my registration to submit this application.
- I accept that any false information provided may make this application invalid in whole or part.
- I have assessed all plots following a field assessment.

Checklist	Yes	No
Form signed and dated by applicant(s)		
Form signed and dated by Registered Forester		
Supporting Documentation		
Site Notice & Photo of site notice in situ		
Freshwater pearl Mussel Site Assessment (if applicable)		
Site Location Map		
Biodiversity Map		
Fencing Map		
Calcium Carbonate CaCO ₃ Test Results (if applicable)		
Drainage Survey Report (if applicable)		
Soil Analysis Report (if applicable)		
Environmental Impact Assessment (if applicable)		

Name and Designation			
Name of the Registered Forester/Company			Email
			Mobile
Address			
Agent No.	AGT		
Name (BLOCK CAPITALS)			
Signature			
Date of Field Assessment		Date of Report	

TYPE OF BUSINESS/ENTERPRISE

(To be completed by applicant)

SMESmall/Medium Enterprise < 250 Employees **Large Company**Provide documents as listed on attached
Appendix A **INCENTIVE EFFECT (SME) DECLARATION**The work described herein, would not have been undertaken if it wasn't for the financial support provided under State Aid rules. Without this Aid there would be no change to current activities. **ECONOMIC ACTIVITY OF BENEFICIARY**

1.0	Agriculture	
1.1	Growing of non-perennial crops	
1.2	Growing of perennial crops	
1.3	Plant propagation	
1.4	Animal production	
1.5	Mixed farming	
1.6	Support activities to agriculture and post-harvest crop activities	
1.7	Hunting, trapping and related service activities	
2.0	Forestry	
2.1	Silvicultural and other forestry activities	
2.2	Logging	
2.3	Gathering of wild growing non-wood products	
2.4	Support services to forestry	
3.0	Other	
	Other description	

DECLARATION BY BENEFICIARY

“I/We understand that in accordance with the European Union Guidelines for state aid in the agriculture and forestry sector and in rural areas 2014 – 2020 data of beneficiaries of funding under the Forestry Programme 2014 – 2020 will be published and may be processed by auditing and investigating bodies of the European Union. This information will be published on the Department’s website and will include the full text of the notified aid scheme and its implementing provisions, the granting authority, the names of the individual beneficiaries, the form (in particular the aid instrument) and amount of aid granted to each beneficiary, the date of granting, the type of undertaking (SME/ large enterprise), the region (at NUTS level II) in which the beneficiary is located and the principal economic sector in which the beneficiary has its activities, at NACE group level. This will only apply to beneficiaries where the cumulative aid amount granted at financial approval is greater than €60,000 for beneficiaries active in primary agriculture production and €500,000 for others for the amount of aid granted at the time of financial approval discounted at the rate applicable at the time (currently 5%). Such information will be published after the granting decision has been taken and will be kept for at least 10 years and shall be available for the general public without restrictions. These records must be maintained for 10 years from the date of award of the aid and must be provided to the Commission upon request.

I/We also understand that all personal data will be processed in accordance with the Data Protection Acts 1988 to 2018 and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)”

Beneficiary/s Signature/s		Date:	
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The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force across the European Union on 25th May, 2018. It affects the way in which businesses and organisations, such as Forestry Division and the Forestry Inspectorate of the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, process personal data for all EU citizens. GDPR gives people greater control over how their data are collected and processed. Personal data are any information that can identify an individual, such as name, address, land parcel information, etc. For more information on GDPR and how it affects you, please see a detailed information note on the Department’s website at www.agriculture.gov.ie, under Forestry; Grants and Premium Schemes.