

## FORESTRY DIVISION

Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

### Reconstitution and Underplanting of Woodlands Scheme

#### FORM1: APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL

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Enter an "X" in one box only

Cat 1 Underplant	Cat 1 Recon	Cat 2a- medium (underplant)	Cat 2b – High (Underplant)	Cat 2b– High (Recon)
Deer tree shelters and deer/hare fencing scheme	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>

### APPLICANT DETAILS

<b>1.</b>	<b>Surname</b>			
<b>2.</b>	<b>First Name(s)</b>		<b>Title:</b>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Company Name (if applicable)</b>			
<b>4.</b>	<b>Address (postal)</b>			
<b>5.</b>	<b>Date of Birth (for verification purposes only)</b>	<input type="text"/>	<b>6. E-mail Address</b>	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Fax Number</b>			
<b>8.</b>	<b>Telephone Numbers</b>	Home	Business	Mobile
<b>9.</b>	<b>PPS Number of each applicant</b>			
<b>10.</b>	<b>Farm / Herd No.</b>			
<b>11.</b>	<b>Vat No. (if any)</b>			
<b>12.</b>	<b>C.R.O. No.</b>			
<b>13.</b>	<b>Tax District</b>			
<b>14.</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<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	
<b>15.</b>	<b>Ownership of Farm</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Joint Owner	<input type="checkbox"/> Lessee
<b>16.</b>	<b>Total Farm Size</b>	<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 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"/></p> <p>Joint Management Consent <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Leased <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Commonage <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Partnership <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>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	<p>Turbary <input type="checkbox"/> Right of way <input type="checkbox"/> Grazing <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/></p>

**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 a Reconstitution and Underplanting Scheme (Ash Dieback) Approval. I understand that I must not undertake any forestry work, preliminary or otherwise, before I receive written notification from the Forestry Division, DAFM. 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/We are aware of obligations under general de minimis rules as set out under Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 on the application of Articles 107 and 108 of the treaty on the functioning of the European Union to de minimis aid, (Official Journal reference number L:2013:352). In this regard I /we will undertake to submit details of all de minimis payments during the previous rolling three year period. I also understand that if the cumulative amount of all de minimis payments received during the 3 year rolling period exceeds €200,000 the payment cannot be made.		
I confirm that this ash plantation is infected with Ash Dieback Disease. I am seeking DAFM approval for the felling of areas specified and outlined in the attached map. This approval is sought under Section 19 Exempted Trees (1) c (i) (to control or prevent the spread of fire or a pest or disease) of the Forestry Act 2014 - to include any host ash trees and other incidental trees subject to appropriate justification.		
I/We understand that an applicant cannot claim aid 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.		
The Registered Forester named on page 6 is authorised to discuss this application directly with the Forestry Division, DAFM on my behalf.		
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"/>

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

26.	Contract No.'s of Original Afforestation applications	Plot No.s

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

		YES	NO	R*
1.	<b>Water Quality</b>			
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 water scheme?			
2.	<b>Designated Habitats</b>			
2.1	<b>Is the area within a NHA, pNHA, SAC, SPA or National Park? Specify site code(s).</b>			
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 <sup>st</sup> April and 15 <sup>th</sup> 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.	<b>Archaeology</b>			
3.1	<b>Does the area contain an archaeological site or feature with intensive public usage?</b>			
3.2	Does the area contain or adjoin a listed archaeological site or monument?			
4.	<b>Landscape</b>			
4.1	<b>Is the area within a prime scenic area in the County Development Plan?</b>			
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

**SILVICULTURAL CONDITIONS**

		YES	NO
27.	Is the site to be replanted suitable for 10% broadleaf?		
28.	Does the proposed broadleaf plot, if applicable, meet the minimum width criteria?		
29.	Will at least 10% of the total conifer area be a conifer species other than Sitka Spruce/Lodgepole Pine and/or at least 10% of the total area be comprised of suitable broadleaves (if applicable)		

30.	Standard Stocking & spacing	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	If No please give details:	
31.					
32.	Planting Method	Angle Notch <input type="checkbox"/>		Pit <input type="checkbox"/>	
		Machine <input type="checkbox"/>		Slit <input type="checkbox"/>	
		Other Details:			
		Number of plants			

**PLOT DETAILS – All Plots in Plantation after Reconstitution\Underplanting**

Plot no.	Claimed area (ha)	Replanted GPC	Land Use Type	Original Species Area (ha)	Affected Species area (ha)	% Mortality Present	% of Plantation Affected**	Mixture Type	Est YC	Exclusion Area (ha)	Exclusion Type
<b>TOTAL</b>											

\*\* % of Plantation Affected is to be completed in the Totals row under the relevant column

33	Have you made an application for funding to any other State or EU body in respect of this reconstitution/underplanting project?	Yes [ ] No [ ] <i>If 'YES', please give details</i>
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## 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 request approval of this proposal.
- I declare that the proposal as detailed above meets the conditions of the Reconstitution and Underplanting Scheme (Ash Dieback)
- 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 Forestry Division, DAFM 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.

<b>34</b>	<b>Name of the Registered Forester/Company</b>		<b>38.</b>	<b>E-mail:</b>	
			<b>39.</b>	<b>Mobile No:</b>	
<b>35</b>	<b>Address</b>				
<b>36</b>	<b>Agent No:</b>	<b>AGT</b>			
<b>37</b>	<b>Name (BLOCK CAPITALS)</b>				
<b>38.</b>	<b>Signature</b>				
<b>39</b>	<b>Date of Field Assessment</b>		<b>40.</b>	<b>Date of Report</b>	

## State aid

### INCENTIVE EFFECT (SME) DECLARATION

(to be completed by SMEs only)

<b>41</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Type of Business/Enterprise*</p> <p>SME: Small/ Medium sized Enterprise <input style="float: right;" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Large Company: Provide documents as listed on attached Appendix <input style="float: right;" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><small>*See Annex I of Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/2008 for definitions</small></p>
<b>42</b>	<p>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. <input style="float: right;" type="checkbox"/></p>

## **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:	

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force across the European Union on 25<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.agriculture.gov.ie), under Forestry; Grants and Premium Schemes.

<b>Checklist</b>	Yes	No
Form signed and dated by applicant(s)		
Form signed and dated by Registered Forester		
<b>Supporting Documentation</b>		
Damage Assessment Report		
Site Location Map		
Fencing/Deer Shelter Map		
Bio Map		
Certified Species map identifying the area to be replanted		

## Appendix I

### DATA PROTECTION NOTICE

- The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine may use personal data already held on record in order to process applications for Forestry Schemes and licences. This data may include data previously collected by the Department in respect of another scheme or data submitted as part of a licensing process. The data is required for the processing of payments, assessment of eligibility under a scheme and facilitating the monitoring of compliance with scheme requirements. The use of data already held by the Department avoids the need for applicants to re-submit data and thereby facilitates prompt processing of applications for payment.
  
- DAFM schemes and licences are implemented and processed under the following legislation:
  - Forestry Act, 2014;
  - Forestry Regulations, 2017 (SI Number 191/2017), as amended;
  - Commission Regulation (EU) No 1407/2013 on the application of articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union with regard to de minimis aid (Official Journal L:2013:3521).
  - Destructive Insects and Pests Acts, 1958 and 1991, No. 11 of 1958 & No. 4 of 1991;
  - European Communities (Marketing of Forest Reproductive Material) Regulations, 2002 (SI Number 618/2002),
  - European Communities (Phytosanitary Measures) Regulations 2004 (SI Number 578/2004)
  - European Communities (Control of Organisms Harmful to Plants and Plant Products) Regulations 2004 (SI Number 894/2004)
  - European Union (Timber and Timber Products) (Placing on the Market) Regulations 2014 (SI Number 316/2014)
  - European Union (FLEGT Licensing Scheme for Imports of Timber) Regulations, 2015 (SI Number 251/2015).
  
- Data provided to Forestry Division of the Department are accessed by the Department's Accounts Division in order to facilitate the making of payments to you. The Department is also obliged by law to provide information concerning applicants in response to requests received from the office of the Revenue Commissioners, An Garda Síochána and other bodies in accordance with current Data Protection legislation. The Department does not transfer personal data in relation to forestry schemes outside the EU.
  
- The data collected for the purpose of processing payments will be held by the Department for as long as there is a business need to do so in line with the purpose(s) for which the data was collected. After this time, the data will be marked for destruction and destroyed in accordance with internal guidelines or guidelines

for destruction set out by the National Archives Office or associated permissions received from that Office.

- The data protection rights of each individual have been further enhanced by the introduction of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) that comes into effect on the 25 May 2018. Rights for individuals under the GDPR include a right to:
  - A. Access their personal data;
  - B. Correct or rectify their personal data;
  - C. Have information erased;
  - D. Restriction of processing;
  - E. Object or withdraw consent to processing;
  - F. Data portability;
  - G. Make a complaint to the Data Protection Commissioner's Office.
  
- The Department's Data Protection Unit may be contacted by post or email as follows:

Data Protection Unit  
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine  
Pavilion A, Grattan Business Park  
Dublin Road, Portlaoise  
Co. Laois  
Email: [data.protection@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:data.protection@agriculture.gov.ie)
  
- All information relating to Data Protection rights pertaining to the Department and the Department's clients can be found on the Department's Data Protection website page: [www.agriculture.gov.ie](http://www.agriculture.gov.ie) (under customer service) or go directly to [www.agriculture.gov.ie/dataprotection](http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/dataprotection).