

## Data Protection Notice

**General Data Protection information applicable to all Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine customers is available here:**

<https://www.gov.ie/en/organisation-information/ef9f6-data-protection/>

**The following data is specific information in relation to the personal data processed for the Liming Programme 2023.**

### **1. Specified purpose:**

The personal data sought from you, or previously furnished by you, the applicant, is required for the purpose of making an application under the Liming Programme 2023 or for ongoing processing of your contract under this measure. You should consult the Terms & Conditions of the scheme in this regard.

The Department may also use data from the Liming Programme for the purposes of facilitating the processing of an application for participation in other related schemes operated by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine or for the purposes of updating information on the relevant databases held by the Department in connection with these schemes. Each scheme has its own legal basis as outlined under their own Terms and Conditions.

### **2. Legal basis:**

The processing of data for the liming programme will fall under Article 6(1)(e) of GDPR as processing in the public interest.

The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine will also use existing customer data held for the purpose of aiding administrative efficiencies and the use of the data in this way is considered compatible with its original purpose of collection.

The Liming Programme will improve nutrient use efficiency and reduce the requirements of chemical fertilisers thereby contributing to the targets set in the climate action plan 2023.

### **3. Recipients:**

Some of the Information held by DAFM and provided in the application which is required for the implementation of the Liming Measure will be shared with other divisions within

the Department, for the purpose of processing other related scheme applications in a timely and efficient manner.

When you submit a Liming Programme application some of your personal data may be made available to other Government Departments/Agencies/Local Authorities, but only where there is a valid legal basis to do so, and a data sharing agreement will be put in place where necessary. The purpose of this sharing of data is for audit, evaluation purposes, cross compliance controls, controls relating to the legislation underpinning cross compliance and Rural Development measures. Personal information may also be released under the terms of the relevant Data Protection legislation in force and the Freedom of Information Act 2014.

Personal data may be used for statistical, research and analysis purposes in some circumstances, but will only be done so in compliance with the Data Protection legislation in force. Data used for such purposes will be pseudonymised (masked) or anonymised, as appropriate, to protect the security and confidentiality of the data. The use of the data in this way may facilitate the Department in informing policy decisions into the future, which would benefit the Irish farmer and the Agriculture Sector.

The Department may provide information concerning applicants in response to requests received from the Office of the Revenue Commissioners, An Garda Síochana, and other bodies, and will only do so in accordance with current data protection legislation.

As part of this scheme, if you are approved into the programme, you may be requested by the Department or relevant agents acting on its behalf, to supply data in relation to your participation in the programme, where required for the purpose of assessment, verification, evaluation or research purposes as provided for under the terms and conditions of the measure.

Not to supply such information may invalidate/cancel your application.

#### **4. Retention Period:**

The data submitted in support of the application by the data subject under the Liming Programme will be retained by DAFM only as long as there is a business need to do so in line with the purposes for which it was collected.

After this time, it will be marked for destruction and will be destroyed in line with internal guidelines or guidelines for destruction received from the National Archives Office or associated permissions received from them.

**5. Data provision being statutory or contractual obligation:**

The Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine will use existing customer data, held for the purpose of aiding administrative efficiencies and the use of the data in this way is considered compatible with its original purpose of collection. If the customer chooses not to provide this information their application for the Liming Programme cannot proceed.

**6. Automated Decision Making:**

Automated decision making may also be used for the purpose of selecting participants for inspection.

**8. Technical information on data collected:**

Technical information on the cookies used on the Gov.ie website is available at the following link: <https://www.gov.ie/en/help/privacy-policy/?section=cookies>

**9. Information from 3rd party**

Not applicable