

Fallen Animals

The objective of the Fallen Animal Scheme is to facilitate the collection and disposal of fallen animals where TSE testing is required by EU Regulations and to facilitate the collection and disposal of fallen farm stock in accordance with EU Animal By-products (ABP) legislation.

Farmer/ Keepers

Farmers/keepers are taken to mean any person in the livestock sector responsible for animals whether on a temporary or on a permanent basis, including during transportation or at a market.

A farmer/keeper must contact an Animal Collector as soon as possible after the discovery of the death of an animal and take note of the date and time of notification. A list of authorised Animal Collectors is below or by contacting the Fallen Animals Section at (053) 9163437.

Carcases awaiting collection must be held in such a way that other animals cannot gain access to them. They should be held securely in an enclosed building, or in an area away from livestock under a suitable cover, such as a tarpaulin.

Details of animals must be recorded on the NBAS 31D form which is supplied by the Animal Collector. The farmer/keeper must sign and date the form and return it to the Animal Collector. Farmer/keepers must surrender the passport for all bovines for collection to the Animal Collector.

All bovines and sheep older than 9 months of age collected must be identified. If an animal has lost all official tags, the Animal Collector will use a temporary tag. In the case of over 18-month sheep, the farmer must complete a FAL 2 form supplied by the Animal Collector.

Note that burials of fallen cattle, sheep and goats is not permitted. In exceptional circumstances the farmer must seek a licence issued by the Minister.

Collection Fees

The farmer/keeper will pay a fee to the Animal Collector in respect of the collection service provided and the maximum amounts that can be charged are:

Category	Age	Max Collection Fee
Bovines	+ 48 months	€54.03
	24-48 months	€100
	12-24 months	€80
	6-12 months	€50
	3-6 months	€35
	0-3 months	€30
Sheep		€30