Submission Form for CAP Post-2027 Consultation

Name _____

Farmer: Yes ☐ No ☐

The questionnaire is designed to capture clear and focused feedback to assist analysis and policy development.

When ranking your answers, please select **up to three** in order of importance. (1 being most important)

1. Overall priorities for CAP post-2027

Which of the following should be the top priorities for the CAP post 2027?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- ☐ Farm income stability
- ☐ Food security and production
- ☐ Environmental, including biodiversity, climate and water quality actions
- ☐ Generational renewal
- ☐ Rural development and services
- ☐ Competitiveness and innovation
- ☐ Market resilience / crisis response
- ☐ Simplification of rules
- ☐ Other (please specify - max 10 words)

2. Simplification and delivery

In your view, where should simplification in the CAP post-2027 primarily come from?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- ☐ Fewer mandatory schemes or interventions at EU level
- ☐ Greater flexibility for Member States to design schemes
- ☐ Reduced audit, control, and reporting requirements
- ☐ Simpler compliance rules for farmers

☐ Greater use of flat-rate or lump-sum payments

☐ Other (please specify - max 10 words)

3. Capping and degressivity

Under the current proposals, annual direct payments would be subject to degressivity and capping as follows:

Up to €20,000 – not affected

Between €20,000 and €50,000 – reduced by 25%

Between €50,000 and €75,000 - reduced by 50%

Between €75,000 and €100,000 - reduced by 75%

All payments are capped at €100,000

a. Do you support the proposed capping levels on direct payments?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

If “No” or “Unsure”, which concerns apply?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

☐ Impact on higher productive farms

☐ Impact on farm partnerships

☐ Impact on competitiveness

☐ Risk to food production

☐ Risk to lower productive farms supporting higher levels of ecosystem services

☐ Administrative complexity

☐ Other (please specify - max 10 words)

b. Do you support the proposed degressivity bands on direct payments?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Unsure

If “No” or “Unsure”, which concerns apply?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- [ ] Impact on higher productive farms
- [ ] Impact on farm partnerships
- [ ] Impact on competitiveness
- [ ] Risk to food production
- [ ] Risk to lower productive farms supporting higher levels of ecosystem services
- [ ] Administrative complexity
- [ ] Other (please specify - max 10 words)

4. Targeting of income support

Which groups should be prioritised for income support under the next CAP?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- [ ] Small farms
- [ ] Female farmers
- [ ] Young farmers
- [ ] New farmers
- [ ] High-nature-value systems
- [ ] Mixed production systems
- [ ] Other (please specify - max 10 words)

5. Risk management and resilience

Should the CAP play a role in risk management (e.g. climate, disease, market shocks)?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Unsure

If “Yes”, which tools should be prioritised?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- [ ] Income stabilisation supports
- [ ] Crisis payments
- [ ] Insurance / mutual funds
- [ ] Investment in resilience (e.g. water, housing, biosecurity)
- [ ] Advisory and early-warning systems
- [ ] Other (please specify - max 10 words)

6. Environmental and climate action

In your view, does the proposed CAP framework strike the right balance between environmental ambition and practical delivery for farmers?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Unsure

If no, which aspect needs most adjustment?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- [ ] Level of ambition
- [ ] Flexibility for Member States
- [ ] Farm stewardship (Statutory Management Requirements and Protective Practices)
- [ ] Voluntary Agri-environmental and climate actions

- [ ] Balance of Fam Stewardship obligations vs incentives for Agri-environmental/climate action
- [ ] Other (please specify - max 10 words)

7. Generational renewal

Do you agree with proposals to remove direct payments for farmers in receipt of pensions?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Unsure

Which measures would most effectively support generational renewal?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- [ ] Installation aid
- [ ] Exit Payments
- [ ] Access to land
- [ ] Targeted income supports for young farmers
- [ ] Access to finance and credit
- [ ] Other (please specify - max 10 words)

8. Investments

Which investment areas should be prioritised under the next CAP?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

- [ ] On-farm productivity
- [ ] Environmental / climate investments
- [ ] Animal welfare
- [ ] Digitalisation and precision farming
- [ ] Health and Safety
- [ ] Energy and resource efficiency

☐ Other (please specify - max 10 words)

9. LEADER and rural development

Should funding for LEADER continue to be ringfenced in the post-2027 EU budget?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If 'Yes', Which areas should LEADER funding prioritise?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

☐ Rural services

☐ Community infrastructure

☐ Social inclusion

☐ Innovation and local enterprise

☐ Other (please specify - max 10 words)

10. CAP support beyond primary farming

Should CAP funding support activities beyond primary farming?

☐ Yes

☐ No

☐ Unsure

If "Yes", which should be eligible?

(Please select **up to three** in order of importance)

☐ Farmer-led processing

☐ Cooperatives and producer groups

- [ ] Short supply chains
- [ ] Local food systems
- [ ] On-farm diversification linked to agriculture
- [ ] Other (please specify - max 10 words)

Thank you for taking the time to make a submission. It should be sent by email to post2027capconsultation@agriculture.gov.ie.

The deadline for receipt of submissions is **5:00 pm on Friday 27 March 2026.**

Please note your response to this consultation is subject to:

- the Freedom of Information Act 2014 (FOI)
- the Access to Information on the Environment Regulations 2007-2018 (AIE)
- the Data Protection Act 2018