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Proposed payment rates (including capital items)

This sets out the proposed payment rates for land management options and capital items under new Countryside Stewardship. These payments are subject to approval by the European Commission.



** Two asterisks mean that this has been corrected from the previous version of this document, which was published on GOV.UK.

Arable

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
AB1	Nectar flower mix	511
AB2	Basic overwinter stubble	84
AB3	Beetle banks	573
AB4	Skylark plots	18 (£9 per plot, minimum 2 plots)**
AB5	Nesting plots for lapwing and stone curlew	524
AB6	Enhanced overwinter stubble	436
AB7	Whole crop cereals	495
AB8	Flower-rich margins and plots	539
AB9	Winter bird food	640
AB10	Unharvested cereal headland	640
AB11	Cultivated areas for arable plants	532
AB12	Supplementary winter feeding for farmland birds	316
AB13	Brassica fodder crop	100
AB14	Harvested low input cereal	266
AB15	Two-year sown legume fallow	522
AB16	Autumn-sown Bumblebird mix	550

Boundaries, trees and orchards

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
BE1	Protection of in-field trees on arable land	420
BE2	Protection of in-field trees on intensive grassland	190
BE3	Management of hedgerows	16/100m 8/100m
BE4	Management of traditional orchards	212
BE5	Creation of traditional orchards	281
BE6	Veteran tree surgery	221/tree
BE7	Supplement for restorative pruning of fruit trees	62/tree

Coastal

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
CT1	Management of coastal sand dunes and vegetated shingle	217
CT2	Creation of coastal sand dunes and vegetated shingle on arable land and improved grassland	314
СТЗ	Management of coastal saltmarsh	77
CT4	Creation of inter-tidal and saline habitat on arable land	442
СТ5	Creation of inter-tidal and saline habitat by non-intervention	271
СТ6	Coastal vegetation management supplement	117
СТ7	Creation of inter-tidal habitat on intensive grassland	276

Grassland

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
GS1	Take field corners out of management	365
GS2	Permanent grassland with very low inputs outside Severely Disadvantaged Areas (SDAs)	95
GS3	Ryegrass seed-set as winter food for birds	331
GS4	Legume and herb-rich swards	309
GS5	Permanent grassland with very low inputs in Severely Disadvantaged Areas (SDAs)	16
GS6	Management of species-rich grassland	182
GS7	Restoration towards species-rich grassland	145
GS8	Creation of species-rich grassland	267
GS9	Management of wet grassland for breeding waders	264
GS10	Management of wet grassland for wintering waders and wildfowl	157
GS11	Creation of wet grassland for breeding waders	406
GS12	Creation of wet grassland for wintering waders and wildfowl	310
GS13	Management of grassland for target features	90
GS14	Creation of grassland for target features	253
GS15	Haymaking supplement	85
GS16	Rush infestation control supplement	73
GS17	Lenient grazing supplement	44

Historic environment and landscape

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
HS1	Maintenance of weatherproof traditional farm buildings	3.25/sq m
HS2	Take historic and archaeological features out of cultivation	425
HS3	Reduced-depth, non-inversion cultivation on historic and archaeological features	79
HS4	Scrub control on historic and archaeological features	137
HS5	Management of historic and archaeological features on grassland	30
HS6	Maintenance of designed/ engineered water bodies	440
HS7	Management of historic water meadows through traditional irrigation	440
HS8	Maintenance of weatherproof traditional farm buildings in remote areas	6.73/sq m
HS9	Restricted depth crop establishment to protect archaeology under an arable rotation	174

Lowland heathland

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
LH1	Management of lowland heathland	274
LH2	Restoration of forestry and woodland to lowland heathland	184
LH3	Creation of heathland from arable or improved grassland	517

Soil and water

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
SW1	4-6m buffer strip on cultivated land	353
SW2	4-6m buffer strip on intensive grassland	170
SW3	In-field grass strips	557
SW4	12-24m watercourse buffer strip on cultivated land	512
SW5	Enhanced management of maize crops	133
SW6	Winter cover crops	114
SW7	Arable reversion to grassland with low fertiliser input	311
SW8	Management of intensive grassland adjacent to a watercourse	202
SW9	Seasonal livestock removal on intensive grassland	88
SW10	Seasonal livestock removal on grassland in SDAs next to streams, rivers and lakes.	36
SW11	Riparian management strip	440
SW12	Making space for water	640
SW13	Very low nitrogen inputs to groundwaters	251
SW14	Nil fertiliser supplement	131

Uplands

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
UP1	Enclosed rough grazing	39
UP2	Management of rough grazing for birds	88
UP3	Management of moorland	43
UP4	Management of moorland vegetation supplement	10
UP5	Moorland re-wetting supplement	18
UP6	Upland livestock exclusion supplement	16

Woodland and scrub

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
WD1	Woodland creation – maintenance payments	200
WD2	Woodland improvement	100
WD3	Woodland edges on arable land	323
WD4	Management of wood pasture and parkland	46
WD5	Restoration of wood pasture and parkland	244
WD6	Creation of wood pasture	409
WD7	Management of successional areas and scrub	74
WD8	Creation of successional areas and scrub	87
WD9	Livestock exclusion supplement – scrub and successional areas	121

Wetlands

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
WT1	Buffering in-field ponds and ditches in improved grassland	201
WT2	Buffering in-field ponds and ditches on arable land	501
WT3	Management of ditches of high environmental value	37/100m
WT4	Management of ponds of high wildlife value (100 sq m or less)	103/per pond
WT5	Management of ponds of high wildlife value (more than 100 sq m)	183/per pond
WT6	Management of reedbed	78
WT7	Creation of reedbed	323
WT8	Management of fen	39
WT9	Creation of fen	446
WT10	Management of lowland raised bog	164
WT11	Wetland cutting supplement	440
WT12	Wetland grazing supplement	304

Options exclusive to organic land

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
OP1	Overwintered stubble	116
OP2	Wild bird seed mixture	640
OP3	Supplementary feeding for farmland birds	247
OP4	Multi-species ley	115
OP5	Undersown cereal	86

Organic conversion

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
OR1	Organic conversion – improved permanent grassland	75
OR2	Organic conversion – unimproved permanent grassland	50
OR3	Organic conversion – rotational land	175
OR4	Organic conversion – horticulture	400
OR5	Organic conversion – top fruit	450

Organic maintenance

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
OT1	Organic land management – improved permanent grassland	40
OT2	Organic land management – unimproved permanent grassland	20
ОТЗ	Organic land management – rotational land	70
OT4	Organic land management – horticulture	200
OT5	Organic land management – top fruit	300
ОТ6	Organic land management – enclosed rough grazing	8

Additional supplements

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
SP1	Difficult sites supplement	62
SP2	Raised water level supplement	127
SP3	Bracken control supplement	153
SP4	Control of invasive plant species supplement	324
SP5	Shepherding supplement	7
SP6	Cattle grazing supplement	45
SP7	Introduction of cattle grazing on the Scilly Isles	279
SP8	Native Breeds at Risk supplement	94
SP9	Threatened species supplement	120
SP10	Administration of group managed agreements supplement	6

Educational access

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
ED1	Educational access	290/per visit

Payment rates for capital items

Access and engagement

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £
AC1	Access capital items	Actual costs
AC2	Countryside Educational Access Visits Accreditation	175

Boundaries

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £
BN1	Stone-faced bank repair	31/m
BN2	Stone-faced bank restoration/m	86/m
BN3	Earth bank creation	13.5/m
BN4	Earth bank restoration	7/m
BN5	Hedgerow laying	9.4/m
BN6	Hedgerow coppicing	4/m
BN7	Hedgerow gapping-up	9.5/m
BN8	Hedgerow supplement – casting up	3/m
BN9	Hedgerow supplement – substantial pre-work	4.1/m
BN10	Hedgerow supplement – top binding and staking	3.4/m
BN11	Planting new hedges	11.6/m
BN12	Stone wall restoration	25/m
BN13	Stone wall supplement – top wiring	3.6/m
BN14	Stone wall supplement – stone from quarry	44/m
BN15	Stone wall supplement – difficult sites	7.9/m

Feature management

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
FM1	Management of geodiversity features	Actual costs
FM2	Major preparatory works for Priority Habitat (creation and restoration) and for Priority Species	Actual costs

Fencing and gates

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
FG1	Fencing	4/m
FG2	Sheep netting	4.9/m
FG3	Permanent electric fencing	4.9/m
FG4	Rabbit fencing supplement	2.5/m
FG5	Fencing supplement – difficult sites	1.24/m
FG6	Invisible fencing system	1.8/m
FG7	Anti-predator combination fencing	11.1/m
FG8	Anti-predator temporary electric fencing	2.85/m
FG9	Deer fencing	7.2/m
FG10	Temporary deer fencing	5.2/m
FG11	Deer exclosure	136 per plot/unit
FG12	Wooden field gate	390/gate
FG13	Stone gate post	280/post
FG14	Badger gate	135/unit
FG15	Water gates	240/gate

Forestry

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
FY1	Deer high seat	300/unit
FY2	Woodland infrastructure	40% of actual costs**

Historic environment and landscape

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
HE1	Historic and archaeological feature protection	Actual costs
HE2	Historic building restoration	Actual costs
HE3	Removal of eyesore	290/unit

Livestock

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
LV1	Cattle grid	835/grid
LV2	Livestock handling facilities	Actual costs
LV3	Hard bases for livestock drinkers	110/hard base
LV4	Hard bases for livestock feeders	170/hard base
LV5	Pasture pumps and associated pipework	220/unit
LV6	Ram pumps and associated pipework	1,480/unit
LV7	Livestock troughs	110/unit
LV8	Pipework associated with livestock troughs	2.65/m

Payment for advice

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
PA1	Implementation plan	1,100/unit
PA2	Feasibility study	Actual costs
PA3	Woodland management plan	10-20/per ha

Scrub, tree and bracken control

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
SB1	Scrub control and felling of diseased trees	260 to 1680/ha
SB2	Scrub control – difficult sites	Actual costs
SB3	Tree removal	144/per tree
SB4	Chemical bracken control	170/ha
SB5	Mechanical bracken control	240/ha
SB6	Rhododendron control – small	2,800/ha
SB7	Rhododendron control – medium	3,200/ha
SB8	Rhododendron control – large	4,400/ha
SB9	Plant health supplement	920/ha

Soil and water

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
RP1	Resurfacing of gateways	92/unit
RP2	Gateway relocation	340/unit
RP3	Watercourse crossings	300/unit
RP4	Livestock and machinery hardcore tracks	33/m
RP5	Cross drains	245/unit
RP6	Installation of piped culverts in ditches	340/unit
RP7	Sediment ponds and traps	10/sq m
RP8	Constructed wetlands for the treatment of pollution	Actual costs
RP9	Earth banks and soil bunds	155/unit
RP10	Silt filtration dams/seepage barriers	75/unit
RP11	Swales	5.95/sq m
RP12	Check dams	42/unit
RP13	Yard – underground drainage pipework	5.5/m
RP14	Yard inspection pit	200/unit
RP15	Concrete yard renewal	27.14/sq m
RP16	Rainwater goods/m	11.4

RP17	Storage tanks underground	350/cu m
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RP18	Above ground tanks	100/cu m
RP19	First flush rainwater diverters/ downpipe filters	125/unit
RP20	Relocation of sheep dips and pens	3,675/unit
RP21	Relocation of sheep pens only	1830/unit
RP22	Sheep dip drainage aprons and sumps	18.25/sq m
RP23	Installation of livestock drinking troughs (in draining pens for freshly dipped sheep)	68/ unit
RP24	Lined biobed plus pesticide loading and washdown area	118/sq m
RP25	Lined biobed with existing washdown area	77/sq m
RP26	Biofilters	990/unit
RP27	Sprayer or applicator load and washdown area	40/sq m
RP28	Roofing (sprayer washdown area, manure storage area, livestock gathering area, slurry stores, silage stores)	62/sq m
RP29	Self-supporting covers for slurry stores	30.5/sq m
RP30	Floating covers (slurry stores, lagoons)	5.6/sq m
RP31	Equipment to disrupt tramlines in arable areas	1,500

Trees and orchards

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
TE1	Planting standard hedgerow tree	8.8/unit
TE2	Planting standard parkland tree	24.5/tree
TE3	Planting fruit trees	22.5/tree
TE4	Supply and plant tree	1.28/tree
TE5	Supplement for use of individual tree-shelters	1.6/unit
TE6	Tree guard (tube and mesh)	4/tree
TE7	Tree guard (wood post and rail)/ tree	59.5
TE8	Tree guard (wood post and wire)	84/ tree
TE9	Parkland tree guard – welded steel	170/tree
TE10	Coppicing bankside trees	65/tree
TE11	Tree surgery	100 - 200/tree
TE12	Stump grinding	24/unit
TE13	Creation of dead wood habitat on trees	175/unit
TE14	Identification of orchard fruit tree varieties	29/variety

Wetlands

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
WN1	Grip blocking drainage channels	14.8/ per block
WN2	Creation of scrapes and gutters	3.75/sq m
WN3	Ditch, dyke and rhine restoration	7.3/m
WN4	Ditch, dyke and rhine creation	7.3/m
WN5	Pond management – first 100 sq m	270/100 sq m
WN6	Pond management (areas more than 100 sq m)	170/100 sq m
WN7	Restoration of large water bodies	Actual costs
WN8	Timber sluice	315/unit
WN9	Brick, stone or concrete sluice	2480/unit
WN10	Construction of water penning structures	Actual costs

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Wildlife boxes

Option code	Option title	Proposed payment - £/ha (unless otherwise specified)
WB1	Small wildlife box	28.5/unit
WB2	Medium wildlife box	39/unit
WB3	Large wildlife box	100/unit

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