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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLLECTING THE DATA

AND

COMPLETING THE FARM RETURN

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FBS Timetable

	Activity	Date	Responsibility / Date completed
1	Circulation of Census data showing farm availability for recruitment purposes by GOR region and Accounting Centre, plus request forms for completion by Contractor and Centre stating sample recruitment requirements by farm type and size	Early-July	Defra
2	Signed confidentiality statements for all members of staff within the contractor having access to individual farm census data, to be returned to Defra	End-July	Contractor
3	Completed request forms for sample recruitment lists returned to Defra.	End-July	Contractor
4	Main list of names and addresses and data for sample replacement sent to Contractor by e-mail. Issue guidance notes to Contractor on procedures for releasing June survey data	End-September	Defra
5	Circulation of draft version of the FAS 24 by e-mail to the Contractor for comments Final FAS 24 email to Contractor	End Sept End-October	Defra
6	Blank non co-operators returns and exit spreadsheets circulated	31 October	Contractor
7	Completed non co-operators returns to be submitted	31 October	Contractor
9	Pdf version of FAS 24 dispatched to Centres, as requested	End November	Defra,
10	Working version of instructions for the running of the Farm Business Survey – by email along with updated indices for Glass and Buildings & Works Depreciation.	End November , followed by updates as necessary	Defra,
11	Completed exit returns to be submitted	End November	Contractor
12	Provision of electronic field book	End December	Contractor
13	List of current, and recently deleted, validation / tolerance checks	Mid-January followed by updates as necessary	Contractor

14	Validation module for checking FBS data through the integrated system	End-January	Contractor
15	First day for submission of test accounts to verify procedures and provide feedback reports to Centres Contractor will be responsible for submitting test data to Defra to ensure adequate coverage of farm typologies when testing	1st February	Contractor
16	Live processing commences	1st March	Contractor
17	Listing of all farm accounts received to date, including FBS and FADN** status and farm typology. Listing of outcome of latest validation run for FBS. Detailed listing of all FBS failures by check number.	Within 3 working days of receipt	Contractor
18	Report of latest FADN validation outcome by farm number for each Centre	Within 10 working days of receipt	Contractor
19	Summary report of number of farms submitted, which are clean in the FBS, clean in FADN, compared to quota, by farm type, for each Centre and by Centre, GOR and England	Weekly return on Fridays	Contractor
20	Destruction of name and address lists relating to FBS 2016/17. The data can be returned or a certificate sent stating that all data have been destroyed. <i>Reminder: name & address list relating to FBS 2017/18 destroyed by 1st August 2020</i>	1 st August	Defra & Contractor
21	Region reports: Arrange for confidentiality statement to be signed by those responsible for producing the Region reports	1 st September	Defra
22	Final date for all core-FBS accounts to be submitted to DEFRA	6.00 am 30 th September	Contractor
23	Finalise data requirements for regional reports	1 st October	Contractor
24	Data for regional reports.	Mid-October	Defra
25	Provision of database to archive store	End December	Defra
26	Publication of regional reports.	End-January	Contractor

	Report for each Region of England as specified in contract.		

* This will be dependent on publication of final subsidy rates by Defra

** The date the FADN system opens to receive accounts from member states is outside of Defra's control. It is likely to be May but attempts are being made to bring the date forward.

INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

History / Background

1. The Farm Business Survey was initiated in 1936 as the Farm Management Survey with the objective of systematically collecting, for the first time, information on the economic condition of farming in England and Wales. The objectives of the Survey were and still are "to make available, year by year, such information as would provide a statistical basis for the study of the economic problems of the industry To provide a useful indication of the level of farm incomes each year and, over a series of years, to indicate the general trend, thereby enabling more reliable judgements on these matters to be formed."

Survey Arrangements in England and Wales

2. Within the United Kingdom, there are separate Farm Business Surveys in each of the four countries. There is, however, a good deal of co-ordination between the four Agricultural Departments, the arrangements between England and Wales being virtually identical. Each year data are obtained from over 2,300 farms in England (1,750) and Wales (550) on a uniform basis by seven Universities and Colleges of Agriculture. The four English universities and two Colleges have organised themselves into a consortium referred to as Rural Business Research (RBR), which is responsible for gathering a quota of farm accounts within the English regions as follows:

<u>Regions</u>	<u>Commissioned Quota of Farm Accounts</u>
North East, Yorkshire & the Humber	241
North West	166
East Midlands	174
West Midlands	175
East of England	231
London & South East	162
South West	293
Selected across the EU super regions	233
Not region specific	75
	1,750

3. In order to ensure that a consistent approach is adopted nation-wide there is a considerable amount of liaison between the Department and the Consortium and also amongst the University/College Centres themselves. On a formal level the FBS Technical Group usually meets twice a year to monitor the running of the Survey and to iron out any problems which have arisen in the interim. To examine particular problems, especially those of a fairly technical nature such as sample design, smaller Working Groups may be set up to consider the issues involved, and to make recommendations to the FBS Technical Group.

Choosing the Sample

4. The main criteria for the selection of farms are as follows:

- (a) The farms must have a minimum of 25,000 Euros of Standard Output. Farmers solely engaged in rearing on contract and other similar businesses should be included only if they are a common feature of agriculture in the area

- (b) The allocation of individual samples between each type has been agreed in the contracts. From this basis Centres can specify how many of each type and size of farm they require on the recruitment list.
- (c) Farms must have account year ending dates between 31st December and 30th April and be willing to have their accounts sent to the Farm Accountancy Data Network (FADN) in Brussels.

Collection of Data

5. The detailed instructions are intended as a guide for “best practice” accounting principles to adopt. The instructions aim to define clearly the exact components of each item, and give the answer to detailed methodological questions. Great trouble is taken to achieve consistency across the country and the general accounting principles and methodology should be adhered to in all circumstances. However, the instructions are not intended to be prescriptive to the extent of imposing excessive burdens on Research Officers (ROs).

Every effort should be made to complete the record, using estimates where all the information is not available or could not be ascertained without a disproportionate expenditure of time and effort. ROs are asked to make detailed checks in order to test the accuracy and validity of information supplied by farmers.

6. The obligations of each Centre responsible for gathering farm accounts data relate to the form in which the data must be submitted and the date by which it must reach DEFRA. The actual arrangements for the collection of accounts data at the farm level are in the hands of the individual Accounting Centres, therefore practices may in some cases vary from one centre to another.

7. The following information is collected from each farm:

- (a) Physical details of area and stocking, together with production and sales for most commodities.
- (b) Financial data on sales of the main agricultural and horticultural products and expenditure on labour, rent, feed, seed, fertilisers and miscellaneous items.
- (c) Estimates of the value of farm products used on the farm e.g. feed, seed, and in the farmhouse.
- (d) Opening and closing valuations of crops, livestock, machinery, equipment and other inputs.
- (e) Data on assets and liabilities
- (f) Details of capital investment in the accounting year, including that by landlords.
- (g) For farms available for the FADN sample, information on grazing days, feed allocation, buildings depreciation and insurance of farm buildings by the occupier.
- (h) An indication of the level of off-farm incomes and the hours spent on non-farming activities- Wales only.

Completion of Records

Integrated system (IS)

An Integrated System (IS) for the completion of the FAS24 has been developed by a collaboration of Defra Rural Business Research (RBR) who are involved in the collection of the data. It consists of a number of modules.

- Electronic FAS24
- Accounts Analysis Programme (AAP)
- Validation module
- Email module

Electronic FAS24

This module holds all the FAS24 sheets containing the DEFRA data, but also contains a number of additional sheets and working tables which calculate figures for inclusion within the FAS24 i.e. machinery schedules for the calculation of depreciation, enterprise straw output, livestock age group average numbers and breeding livestock stock appreciation (BLSA). Where possible the spreadsheet links together the various sections of the FAS24 to ensure consistency and improve efficiency. Column A of each worksheet contains hyper links to other pages within the Integrated System.

Account Analysis Programme (AAP)

A spreadsheet which is available to Centres to carry out the analysis of the raw accounting information from the co-operators' records. It sorts and adds items of the same analysis description, and generates the cost and revenue totals for entry into the FAS24.

The module can also copy these total figures (financial or physical) to Centre specified locations within the FAS24.

Validation

To ensure good data quality the Validation module is available to check the data against the Defra held master checks.

Email module

This is a conversion module that converts the defined areas of the Excel spreadsheet into the correct data format for submission to Defra. Areas of the IS FAS24 are selected to be converted into a csv format as specified in Appendix 21.

The IS FAS24 has been ordered differently to the printed FAS24 to enable a more logical completion, a move away from the alphabetically ordered Sections.

After the cover and general farm characteristics of Section A, the IS FAS24 is ordered to show the core output sections first, then core inputs, additional module details and finally reference sheets. Within each group, any working sheets are present alongside, and navigation is aided by colour coding the sheet tabs, and hyperlinks on each sheet. In addition cells are colour coded to identify cells for data entry or which contain calculations or linked to another cell in the spreadsheet.

Guidance notes for the completion of the Electronic FAS24 are included within the instructions as text boxes for each Section of the Core FAS24 and for each Module.

8. The whole account is completed using principles of accruals (or financial) accounting. Revenues are recorded as they are earned and costs are recorded as they are incurred, not as monies are received or paid. This allows the income earned to be properly matched against the resources used in production. Since 1993/94 all direct subsidies and compensation to crop and livestock producers are recorded on the 'as due' basis, except for environmental stewardship scheme (ESS) payments to farmers, which are treated on an 'as paid'/'as due' basis. This ensures that all subsidies, except ESS payments are recorded in the accounting year which contained the start of the subsidy scheme year under which they are due: e.g. Basic Payment Scheme 2019 included with Farm Business Survey data 2019/20.

9. Only whole numbers should be entered except where decimal points are provided. All money values are to be given to the nearest pound. Area in hectares is to be given to 2 decimal places and production in tonnes is to be given to one decimal place. Average numbers for livestock are to be given to one decimal place, except for poultry which are to be given in whole numbers.

10. Trading in Euros: Where transactions have been made in Euros, these should be converted to sterling. For general trading transactions, conversion should be made using the exchange rate at the time of the transaction. Any balances held in Euros at the financial year end should be converted to sterling at the exchange rate of the day at the time the balance sheet is finalised. Any profit or loss made from changing currency rates should be recorded in Section K (Fully Independent Activities of Farmer and Spouse for Wales only-for England ignore and record as non-FBS transaction).

11. In cases where the answer may be positive or negative a space is provided for the appropriate sign to be entered (e.g. D line 17). Where an answer is negative, a minus sign must be entered: otherwise all figures will be assumed to be positive.

12. Income from sales should be entered gross **before** deduction of marketing charges. Subsidies and compensation should be shown separately. Payments should be entered at the net delivered price **before** the deduction of any subsidy.

13. In the case of contra items, which are settled by payment of the difference, the items must be allocated into their respective gross receipts and gross payments.

14. Allowance for sundry debtors and creditors must be made at the beginning and end of year, under the appropriate revenue or expenditure heading.

15. Gifts, allowances and household or private consumption of **home-grown** produce should be entered under "Farmhouse consumption and benefits in kind" (Section C2) or equivalent headings. Gifts and private consumption of **purchased** goods and services should be entered in Section F1 col. 5 at their estimated market value. Allowances to labour must be included as a cost (see Section B, paragraph 20).

16. Capital expenditure on fixed assets and improvements should be included in Section G. Where current costs, e.g. labour and materials, have been used to produce fixed assets or to make a major repair and have **not** been excluded from expenditure, an equivalent value (i.e. the sum of the relevant costs) must be entered in the miscellaneous revenue section in section I. Whether or not such costs have been deducted their total will also be included (under gross investment) in the capital of the farm in Section G. This does not apply to small scale land improvement schemes (surface treatment) which are treated as current costs and are excluded from the capital section.

Submission of Records

17. The identity of each farm is held in strict confidence by the Consortium and the information is completely anonymous when sent to the Department.

18. The primary booklet (the FAS 24) is provided by the Department as required. The FAS 24 is provided in electronic form as an Excel spreadsheet in addition to the booklets. The information in the FAS 24 must be sent by e-mail which can then be processed directly. Accounts should be sent to the Department in small batches as soon as they are prepared.

19. The number of accounts and the date by which they are required is specified in the annual schedules of work agreed with the Consortium. Centres should ensure that the required number of **clean** accounts reach Defra on, but preferably before, the appropriate closedown dates (see FBS Timetable). Centres are advised that to be sure of meeting the closedown dates they should allow at least three working days for "cleaning". Wherever possible, Centres should ensure that the maximum number of records for inclusion are submitted by the appropriate closedown date.

20. The fullest possible use should be made of the comments box at the front of the FAS 24. A comment should be included for example, if there are any unusual values (pedigree stock, casualties, crop failure etc.), or if in the case of an identical sample there have been changes in basic information (form of business, area, type of tenure etc.). These comments should not be submitted to Defra as a matter of course, but the information will be useful in the event of a query.

Uses of FBS Data

21. After passing comprehensive credibility checks, data are weighted and combined to give average farm level results for England and Wales according to farm type, size and tenure. These results form the basis of the Department's contribution to "Agriculture in the United Kingdom", which is published in March each year. Results for England are also published in the booklet "Farm Accounts in England" at the end of January each year.

22. There are numerous regular requests made for Survey results by bodies such as the national Farmers Union (NFU) and the Tenant Farmers Association (TFA) and other stakeholders. Also, a large number of ad-hoc requests for FBS information are dealt with. These are often connected with answering Parliamentary Questions, Ministers' Correspondence and assessing the effects of policy changes.

23. Apart from these uses of FBS data, a regional report is produced for the regions of England, and the Department often receives requests for FBS data from researchers throughout the UK. There is also a significant commercial interest in Survey results from organisations such as the banks and farm consultants.

Farm Accounts Data Network

24. The farm level data also provide the basis of our contribution to the Farm Accountancy Data Network (FADN), thus providing a European dimension to the FBS. The Commission publish results for all Member States, as well as using them in their internal analyses for policy purposes.

25. Under the EC farm account regulations, the UK is obliged to provide the following quota of farm accounts:

	<u>2019/20</u>
England - North Region	420
- East Region	650
- West Region	430
Wales	300
Scotland	380
Northern Ireland	320
United Kingdom	2,500

26. In order to provide the European Union (EU) with the optimal sample distribution, a plan for the selection of returning holdings is drawn up. This gives the procedures for the following: stratifying the field of survey in accordance with the Community's typology of holdings, determining the selection rate chosen for each stratum for selecting returning holdings and the possible updating of the selection plan later. It also gives particulars of the statistical reference sources (i.e. the DEFRA) June Survey), the probable period of validity of the selection plan and the breakdown of holdings in the field of survey classified in accordance with the Community's typology of holdings (corresponding at least to the principal types) and the number of returning holdings to be selected for each of the strata adopted.

27. The Department also sends the Commission a report on the implementation of the selection plan. This includes the breakdown of the selected returning holdings by category of holding and also comments on the analysis of discrepancies recorded between the selection plan and the returning holdings selected, on the guidelines to be employed, on improving the selection for the subsequent accounting year, and on the precautions to be taken in weighting the accounting data.

28. The Commission publishes an annual report of farm income forecasts, comprising a chapter for each member state. The UK's contribution to the report includes forecasts of farm incomes based on the results from the previous year's Farm Business Survey.

Integrated System: Section A

Contains a mix of information which remains consistent from year to year (grid reference, county etc), which is brought forward from the previous year's spreadsheet, data which may need updating each year (tenure details) and a small amount of data from Sections C2 and C3 (cropped and grassland areas). In addition some non-Defra data is shown (farm type and size). For new farms the data is entered manually by the Research Officer.

1. SECTION A – GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

1. **Region (line 1), Government Office Region (line 60), County, Metropolitan County or Unitary Authority (line 2), NUTS3 [Nomenclature of territorial Units for Statistics 3] (line 98 and Accountancy Office Number (line 4):** see Appendix 1 for codes to be used.

NB: Accountancy Office Number: This will be used to direct all correspondence relating to that particular account, including the progress and validation reports.

2. **Farm Reference Number (line 3):**

This should be a unique five digit number. When a holding no longer forms part of the Survey the number of the holding which had been attributed to it may **not** be passed to another holding. If the holding in question should once more participate in the information network, it will keep its original number.

The first two digits will be the same as the accountancy office number (line 4), except in the following cases:

(a) Where a holding passes from one accountancy office to another the number entered at line 3 must remain unchanged (i.e. the old accountancy office number will be maintained), but line 4 will be the new accountancy office number.

(b) When a Centre reaches the 999 farm limit imposed by the present numbering system the accountancy office code portion of the farm reference number (the first two digits) should be replaced by the appropriate "Centre Code" shown below and subsequent recruits numbered 000 to 999:

This enables another 999 farms to be recruited, e.g. the numbering sequence for Newcastle will be 01998, 01999, 31000, 31001..... 31999. The true accountancy office code (e.g. 01) should continue to be shown in line A4.

(c) With the exception of Aberystwyth, when a Centre reaches the 999 limit on the new code the **first** digit of the Centre code should be increased by 1 (in the first case from 3 to 4). This digit should continue to be increased by 1 as each limit is reached.

For example, the numbering sequence of Newcastle will be.....01998, 01999, 31000, 31001, 31002.....31999, 41000, 41001, 41002.....41999, 51000, 51001, 51002.....91999.

(d) For Aberystwyth the **second** digit of the Centre code should be increased by 1 as each limit is reached. The numbering sequence for Aberystwyth will therefore be....10998, 10999, 11000, 11001, 11002.....11999, 12000, 12001, 12002.....12999, 13000, 13001, 13302.....29999.

The number allocated will be retained permanently except for exceptional circumstances, for example, when the farm is split into two or more units with more than one of these remaining eligible for the survey. Under these circumstances, the larger part will retain the original number and any other eligible farm will be allocated a new number.

3. Accountancy office number (line 4)

The current accountancy office number code should be recorded here at all times

Centre	Code
Newcastle	1
Askham Bryan	2
Nottingham	4
Cambridge	5
Reading	7
Duchy College	9
Aberystwyth	10

4. Year-Ending Date of Accounts (line 5).

Indicate the last day of the accounting period using 2 digits to indicate the day and month, and 4 digits for the year, e.g. 31:12:2019 for 31st December 2019.

5. Type of farm accounts (line 96)

The type of farm accounts system used by FBS co-operators to be indicated as double entry [marker 1], single entry [marker 2] or none [marker 3]. The type of accounts marker applies equally to manual or computerised accounts. Care should be taken to differentiate between single and double entry accounting systems: the former is an incomplete system and does not provide the means to check for arithmetical accuracy as is the case with the latter which enables the drafting of a trial balances to safeguard against arithmetical mistakes. All other arrangements for the accounting system of the farm business should be recorded as not having any formal system [None; marker 3].

6. Form of Business (line 7)

One of the following codes should be used:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Sole Trader (incl. farmer and wife partnership)
2	Partnership (other family only)
3	Partnership (other)
4	Farming Company
6	Farm company subsidiary
5	Other

7. Number of Agricultural Holdings within the Farm Business (line 46).

This should give the number of holdings within the farm business. This question is intended to indicate the frequency of farm businesses with multiple holdings, and of those, how many holdings in the business. The information may be available from CPH numbers associated with the business, although it is left to the discretion of the RO as how best to gather the information. If the answer to A(46) is not known then the box should be left blank.

8. Grid Reference (line 8).

This should consist of two letters and two numbers. The letters represent the 100 km grid square and the numbers the 10 km grid square in which the farm (or the larger part of it) is situated. The grid reference can be obtained from the local 1:50,000 Ordnance Survey Map. See:

<http://gridreferencefinder.com/#>

9. Less Favoured Areas (line 37)

One of the following codes should be entered:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	All land outside LFA
2	All land inside SDA
3	All land inside DA
4	50%+ in LFA of which 50%+ in SDA
5	50%+ in LFA of which 50% in DA
6	<50% in LFA of which 50%+ in SDA
7	<50% in LFA of which 50%+ in DA

The mapping tool includes boundaries for the LFA although some consultation with the farmer may be necessary to verify the extent to which the farm falls within the categories above.

10. Altitude Code (line 11).

This refers to the general altitude of the majority of the farm including sole rough grazings, but not shared rough grazings. It can be obtained from the local Ordnance Survey Map. One of the following codes should be entered:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Most of the holding below 300 m
2	Most of the holding at 300 m to 600 m
3	Most of the holding at 600 m or over
4	Data not available

11. Assets and Liabilities Status (line 12).

This refers to the status of data at Section G. One of the following codes must be entered:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	Data unavailable or incomplete
1	Data complete
2	Data complete but subject to some estimation

Code 0 is only to be used for farms in Wales. Code 2 should only be used where it is impossible to obtain definitive information on the assets and liabilities of the co-operating farm, as it forms part of a significantly larger business and the data is not identified separately.

12. Structural Fund Codes (line 38).

This is required for the FADN and indicates the area that the farm falls into under the European Social Fund Programme 2014-2020. The codes are as follows:

- Code 4: Convergence and Territorial Co-operation Programme (Wales only)
- Code 5: Regional Competitiveness and Employment only (Wales only)
- Code 6: Convergence Objective (Cornwall and Isles of Scilly only)
- Code 7: neither convergence objective nor phasing in
- Code 8: Phasing in (transitional funding for Merseyside and South Yorkshire as former Objective One areas.

13. Year Account First Submitted to Defra (line 35).

The entry shown in this line should be the calendar year during which the account was first submitted to the Department (e.g. if recruited for the 2018/19 accounting year, put 2019).

An entry at A35 should be made for all farms. It should consist of 4 characters. For example, a farm entering the 2019/20 survey year whose account was submitted to DEFRA on 1st June 2020 would have an entry of 2020 in A35.

14. Number of (Whole) Livestock Unit Grazing Days (LUGDs) on Land not Included in the UAA (line 36).

This is required on EC (FADN) available farms, and indicates the fodder availability from areas not included in the UAA, such as common shared grazings, forage rented for less than 12 months, and where stock are sent away on agistment. The total of such days should be converted into whole cow grazing days using the coefficients in appendix 8.

15. Livestock Unit grazing days (LUGD) on common land (line 97).

The number of LUGDs obtained from common land should be recorded here with account taken of the type and age of livestock grazing the land as follows: 1LU=1 day for cattle or horses over two years old, 0.5 days for cattle or horses under two years old; 0.15 days for adult goats and sheep.

16. Sugar Beet Entitlement (line 63).

Enter here sugar beet entitlement owned by the farm referred to as contract tonnage entitlement (CTE) as allocated by British Sugar. This should be recorded as tonnes of adjusted sugar beet (i.e. at 16% sugar content). This should be the "contract tonnage" and changes annually. Some growers sell sugar beet for AD to a processor who is independent of British Sugar (BS), and therefore grow greatly in excess of their BS contract.

17. Rurality Land Classification Index (line 64).

The area should be allocated to one of the following categories:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Rurality Land Classification</u>
1	Urban > 10k – Sparse
2	Town and Fringe – Sparse
3	Village – Sparse
4	Hamlet & Isolated Dwellings – Sparse
5	Urban > 10k – Less Sparse
6	Town & Fringe – Less Sparse
7	Village – Less Sparse
8	Hamlet & Isolated Dwellings – Less Sparse

18. River Basin Catchment Area (line 65).

There are 11 Water Framework Directive Basins which can be identified by their name and numeric identifier in the mapping tool. The basins are as follows:

<u>Code</u>	<u>River Basin Catchment Area</u>
1	Solway Tweed
2	Northumbria
3	Humber
4	Anglian
5	Thames
6	South East
7	South West
8	Severn
9	Western Wales
10	Dee
11	North West

19. Joint Character Area (line 66).

These are an amalgamation of Countryside Character Areas (Countryside Agency) and Natural Areas (English Nature) and are based on the distribution of geographic / agricultural / wildlife, etc. features, and on the land use pattern and human history of each area. There are 159 categories which are listed in appendix 2.

The mapping tool issued in January 2006 provides assistance for completing lines 64 to 66.

20. Centre for Ecology and Hydrology Code (CEH) (line 70)

This is an environmental classification, based on a wide range of published climatic, topographical, geological and other structural variables. The system allocates each of the 240,000 1-km squares in Great Britain into one of 32 environmental land classes. The system is used to stratify the sample for the Countryside Survey and categorising FBS farms by this system will enable data results from the two surveys to be linked. Appendix 23 lists the CEH classifications. It should be noted that the land classification is a statistical tool to determine the typical characteristics of the land. The text descriptions are to depict the overriding characteristics of the physical landscape (statistically), but there may be instances where areas fall into classifications that appear incorrect. For this reason the classification number is the only data that is required.

21. Membership of Farm Assurance Scheme (line 67).

Where co-operators belong to a Farm Assurance Scheme, enter 1 on this line. When asking the question check that the scheme involves a formal compliance document supported by audit visits. If so, it qualifies as a bona fide assurance scheme.

22. Membership of LEAF (line 69)

Enter 1 on this line if the co-operator has acquired full **accreditation** to the “Linking Environment And Farming” organisation and are LEAF demonstration farms.

23. Contract Rearing (line 71)

A contractor (owner occupier or tenant) rears livestock for the owner of the animals. Management of the animals remains the responsibility of the contractor from delivery until collection, although the livestock owner may provide some variable inputs and labour when required. Payment is normally a fixed fee per animal over the period they are with the contractor. Agreements of this type are common and treated within the FBS as contract rearing. More detailed instructions regarding Joint Venture Farming arrangements can be found at Appendix 20.

Entry codes for this line are as follows:

- Code 1: No livestock
- Code 2: All livestock owned by the farmer
- Code 4: Some animals are sent away from the farm and reared elsewhere
- Code 8: Some or all animals are owned by others but reared on the farm
- Code 12: combination of codes 4 and 8 above

Entries by ROs do not allow for binary analysis and care should be taken to correctly identify the **main** activity: for example where some of animals that are all owned by the farmer are sent away from the farm and reared elsewhere for a period, then code 4 should be recorded; not code 2.

N.B. Horses on livery should not be included in this coding.

24. Labour and machinery sharing (line 72)

Labour and Machinery sharing can be described as two or more persons pooling all or part of their labour and machinery. The arrangement may be treated as a cost centre or as a separate business contracting out the operations to each co-operating farm business. The ownership of the labour and machinery may be within another business or part of one of the farm businesses.

The presence of a labour and machinery sharing arrangement, regardless of type or scale, should be recorded on this line using the following classification, subject to the arrangements being of *material* significance to the operation of the farm business:

- Code 1: No labour or machinery sharing
- Code 2: Labour and Machinery sharing
- Code 4: Machinery sharing
- Code 8: Labour sharing
- Code 16: Any kind of separate entity labour or machinery sharing

Entries here do allow for binary analysis and ROs should take care to record all the different joint venture (JV) activities on the farm: for example where JVs involve different arrangements comprising labour and machinery sharing; machinery sharing only; labour sharing only; another kind of separate labour or machinery entity then the following codes 2; 4; 8; 16; would be summed giving a binary entry of 30.

More detailed instructions regarding Joint Venture Farming arrangements can be found at Appendix 20.

25. Milling wheat proportion (row 73)

The National Association of British and Irish Millers (NABIM) classify different wheat varieties according to their potential milling quality. NABIM group 1 bread making wheats have lower potential yields than varieties classified in groups 2, 3 and 4 but might be expected to command a premium price. Enter the appropriate code for the wheat crops recorded in C2, according to the following criteria:

- Code 1: No Group1 wheat grown
- Code 2: Some group 1 milling wheat grown
- Code 3: All milling wheat group 1 grown

Note that this information relates to the variety sown and not the eventual destination of the wheat. For 2019 harvest the following varieties are classified as **group 1**:

Winter wheat

- **Crusoe**
- **RGT Illustrious**
- **Skyfall**
- **KWS Trinity**
- **KWS Zyatt**

Note that Gallant removed for harvest 2019

Spring wheat

- **Mulika**

26. Total Area of Holding (lines 15 to 30, 47 to 52).

All these areas should be given in hectares to two decimal places. Land hired from others for less than one year should not be recorded in these lines unless it is hired in on an annual but permanent basis. In

this case it should be treated in the same way as land hired in on a formal tenancy agreement and included in both Utilised Agriculture Area and total area. Any area of second or multiple cropping (Section C2 col. 22) and any areas of purchased standing crops should also be excluded from these rows. Land hired in on a strictly annual basis should be entered in lines C3, lines 412 and 413, column 21.

27. Total Main Products and Set-Aside (line 15).

This is the sum of the areas of the main crops included in C2 col. 21, i.e. the figure appearing in line 299 col. 21.

28. Grass, Fodder Crops, Rough Grazing etc. (line 16).

The sum of the areas of grass and fodder crops etc included in C3 line 420 col. 1.

29. Utilised Agricultural Area (line 17).

This must be equal to the sum of lines 15 and 16. This is the basic agricultural area.

30. Woodland (line 18).

Areas covered by woods and forests, including tree nurseries cultivated for the holding's own needs and any commercial woodlands unless they are run as a separate business.

31. Other Areas (line 19).

Any part of the total area not included under lines 17 or 18, i.e. the area occupied by roads, concrete on airfields, household or ornamental gardens, quarries, ponds, canals, all buildings including mushroom and rhubarb sheds, and any area not farmed but capable of being used for agricultural purposes. This also includes the land area used for solar parks, with an adjustment if the land is also grazed (see Section I, other rents)

32. Total Area (line 20).

This is the sum of lines 17, 18 and 19.

33. Adjusted Rough Grazing (Sole Occupation) (line 21).

Rough grazings (C3 line 404) converted to permanent pasture equivalent on the basis of effective stocking capacity, for example 3:1, 4:1 etc.

34. Adjusted Grazing Rights (Shared) (line 22).

Where a farm has common grazing rights an estimate of pasture equivalent used by the farmer should be made in the same way as adjusted rough grazing under sole occupation (see above). Shared rough grazing rights are excluded from UAA total area and total adjusted area.

35. Total Adjusted Area of the Farm Used for Agriculture (Adjusted UAA) (line 23).

This is the area equivalent to the crops and grass and fodder crops area plus the adjusted area of rough grazing in sole occupation. It should therefore equate to the UAA minus the rough grazing (sole occupation) plus the adjusted rough grazing (sole occupation) and can be defined in terms of the FAS 24 as (A17 minus C404 col. 1 plus A21).

36. UAA Irrigated (line 24).

The principal area (UAA) irrigated by the farm during the accounting period by stationary or mobile equipment. This does not include the multiple cropped area or land rented in for less than one year

37. Area under Glass, Heated (line 25).

The basic area of glasshouses, walk through polythene tunnels and frames, provided with heating plant.

38. Area under Glass, not Heated (line 26).

The basic area of glasshouses, walk through polythene tunnels and frames not equipped with heating plant (including glass heated on occasions by portable heating equipment). It excludes the area of low polythene tunnels, cloches or portable frames which are treated as outdoor crops.

39. Type of Tenure (lines 27 to 30, 47 to 50)

(a) **Owner-Occupied Land** (lines 27 and 28). Area of land farmed directly by the owner or through a paid manager including land farmed under a share farming agreement, also entered in lines 51 and/or 52. Land let out for less than one year under agreements other than Farm Business Tenancies should also be included here. However, land let out under contract farming agreements, which therefore the farmer does not actively farm himself, should not be included either here, or in lines 17 to 20, (nor lines 49 to 50).

(b) **Full Agricultural Tenancy** (lines 29 and 30). Area farmed as a tenant, excluding land rented for less than 1 year, where the tenancy agreement is normally with life time security and subject to the provisions of the Agricultural Holdings Act 1986, including succession tenancies.

(c) **Farm Business Tenancy & Similar Informal Agreements (including for less than 1 year)** (lines 47 and 48). Area farmed as a tenant, including ongoing agreements for less than one year, where the tenancy agreement is for any period agreed by the parties themselves and taken up on or after the 1st of September 1995, under the provisions of the Agricultural Tenancies Act 1995.

(d) **Contract Farming Agreement** (lines 49 and 50). Area actively farmed under a contract farming agreement, defined as an agreement whereby the contractor provides tenant type capital and managerial input into the running of the farm. Area should be entered here by the contractor, as he is actively farming the land. The owner of the land should make no entry here (or at lines 27 and 28 – see above) as he is not actively farming the land. See appendix 20 for further information and definitions of Joint Venture Farming agreements including their treatment elsewhere in the FAS24.

(e) **Share Farming Agreement** (give area even if not on this farm) (lines 51 and 52). Area farmed under a share farming agreement, defined as an agreement whereby each party provides a share of capital in return for a share of farm profit. Entries in lines 51 and 52 should include area under share farming agreements whether it is owned or not. The area under share agreements should only be included in Total Area (line 20) if it is also owned. Land which is under share farming agreements which is also owned, should also be entered in lines 27 and/or 28. See appendix 20 for further information and definitions of Joint Venture Farming agreements including their treatment elsewhere in the FAS24.

40. Area Eligible for Basic Payment Scheme (line 68).

This area should be the total area eligible for the Basic Payment Scheme, as entered on the Rural Payments Agency (RPA) form. It can be greater than the UAA if it includes land rented in for less than one year that is not part of the UAA or common land. It can be greater or the same as the area claimed for Basic Payment Scheme.

41. Total Area of the Farm within a Nitrate Vulnerable Zone or Moorland Area (lines 42 and 61).

The entry shown in line 42 should give the total **area** (A20 area) of the farm business within a Moorland Area. Where the farm has signed up to a Management Agreement, the area should be recorded to Line 45 (Total area covered by a Management Agreement).

The **proportion of the total farm area (A20) as a percentage**, that falls within the Nitrate Vulnerable Zone (NVZ) should be recorded on line 61. **This is NVZ only and excludes Drinking Water Safeguard zones.**

42. Total area of land outside LFA and land in SDA (lines 53 to 55 & 77).

Lines 53 to 55 & 77 should record the total area of land outside the LFA and land in SDA. The total area of land should include forage land recorded in Section C3 of the FAS form and the total should be greater than or equal to A20. Lines 53 to 55 & 77 should be filled in for all farms, including those outside the LFA. Row 77 is for recording unadjusted unused common land; rows 53-55 are for recording unadjusted areas of all land available to, and used by the farmer, excluding forage taken for livestock under one year.

43. The utilised agricultural area (UAA) registered with a certification body as fully organic (line 56).

This should exclude land that is registered as in conversion – this is to be recorded in line 57.

Valid certification bodies are:

- Organic Farmers and Growers Ltd. (OFG)
- Organic Food Federation (OFF)
- Soil Association Certification Ltd (SACert)
- Biodynamic Agricultural Association (BDAA)
- Quality Welsh Food Certification Ltd
- OF&G (Scotland) Ltd

44. Utilised Agricultural Area Registered with a Certification Body as in Conversion to Organic (line 57). Valid certification bodies are listed above.

45. Natura 2000 (line 93) Record what proportion of Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA) eligible for area payments, if any. In England these are comprised of Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and Special Protection Areas (SAPs).

Use one of following three codes:

1= Some of the UAA is eligible area for Natura 2000 payments, but less than 50%

2= Over 50% of the UAA is eligible for Natura 2000 payments

3= None of the UAA is eligible for Natura 2000 payments

Maps exist for each designation and can be accessed at <http://natura2000.eea.europa.eu> If a farm is suspected to be in an eligible area access interactive 'Magic' map at <http://www.magic.gov.uk/MagicMap.aspx> and on left drop down list select: Designations; land based designations; statutory & either Special Areas of Conservation or Special Protection Areas then zoom in on map until farm position identified.

46. Water Directive Area (Line 94)

Record whether majority of Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA) in eligible area for payments: 1=No; 2=Yes. In England these areas can be found at <http://www.magic.gov.uk/MagicMap.aspx> –Go to Designations, Land based, non-statutory and then Catchment Sensitive Farming Delivery Initiative 2011-16 (England) and zoom in on farm location and if shown within green hatches use marker 2 to indicate located within designated area.

47. Irrigation system (Line 95):

Record main irrigation systems (or methods) on land in current FBS year, within Utilised Agricultural Area (UAA), but excluding any area irrigated under protection (glass or polythene tunnels). The irrigation system designations include: surface; sprinkler; drip & other. Surface irrigation (sub irrigation –raised water table) involves the leading of water along the ground, either by flooding the whole area or leading the water along small furrows between the crop rows, using gravity as a force. Sprinkler irrigation (overhead, including hose reel, centre pivot and sprinkler) consists of irrigating crops/plants by propelling water under high pressure over them, Drip irrigation (Trickle) sees water irrigated at low levels beside the growing crop/plants by means of droplets or with micro sprinklers, or by the formation of fog-like conditions around the crop/plants.

Irrigation system codes are:

- 5 Not applicable (no irrigation on farm and crops under glass and accessible protective cover)
- 1 Surface
- 2 Sprinkler
- 3 Drip
- 4 Other

The Irrigation system code should be chosen to represent the predominant system of irrigation used on farm in the FBS Year.

48. Co-operator agreement to data adding (line 99)

Since 2015/16 new FBS co-operators have been asked if they are willing for Rural Business Research to add data already collated by Defra to the FBS dataset. This will be limited to information from the Common Agricultural Policy and Rural Development Programme schemes and grants (e.g. Single/Basic Payment Schemes, Environmental/Countryside Stewardship schemes (or earlier/later equivalents), livestock monitoring systems (such as the Cattle Tracing System). This may also include meteorological data, land classification data and other geographical variables (e.g. nitrate vulnerable zones) from publicly available datasets. Individual, identifiable data collected for the FBS will never be used for inspection or compliance purposes. Personal data from other government departments will never be added to information gathered for the purposes of the FBS.

If in agreement the co-operators will sign a consent form. Before 2015/16 this was not a requirement and FBS co-operators have not been asked.

Yes	=1
No	=2
Not asked (joined pre 2015/16)	=3
Not being collected in Wales	=4

49. National Parks (Lines 121-122)

Percentage of Total Area (A20) within a National Park (Line 121)

The proportion of the Total Area of the Holding within a National Park (NP). Enter the appropriate code:

Code	Response
1	Total area of land in NP
2	More than 50% of land in NP
3	Less than 50% of land in NP
4	No land in NP

Which National Park is the farm in? (Line 122)

If the farm is in a National Park, then need to determine by use of codes which National Park applies:

Code	Response
1	Broads
2	Dartmoor
3	Exmoor
4	Lake District
5	New Forest
6	Northumberland
7	North York Moors
8	Peak District
9	South Downs
10	Yorkshire Dales
11	Brecon Beacons
12	Pembrokeshire Coast
13	Snowdonia

50. Business Management Practices (Lines 104-110)
(New Rotating Questions for 2019/20)
ENGLAND ONLY

Introduction

Additional questions on business management practices adopted by farmers were last asked in the 2016/17 Farm Business Survey, as part of rotating questions in Section A. Previous versions of these questions were included within wider modules that were carried out in 2007/08 and 2011/12.

Due of the ongoing relevance of this information, it has been agreed that we will repeat this exercise, asking exactly the same questions as we did in 2016/17. The results will allow us to assess changes over time whilst keeping them relevant to current policy.

General

The coding for these questions has been devised to enable multiple codes to be added where more than one response applies. Please therefore consider all the possible responses before entering a final code. A degree of judgement may be needed where the response does not entirely match those provided or where the RO is unsure how definite and thought-through the response is. RO's are in a good position to identify, with the respondent, those codes which quite definitely apply after a considered view. Please also note that all of the questions are aimed at the overall business rather than to specific individuals.

For questions asking which practices the business is carrying out (e.g. business management practices), this should refer to the same period as the FBS accounting year being collected (i.e. accounting years ending between 31st December and 30th April).

For those farm businesses that choose to respond to these questions, a response should be provided to all questions.

Responder/Non responder information (Row 104)

For **EVERY** farm in the FBS please record in row 104 column 1 the appropriate responder/non responder code. This information will be used to inform the weighting methodology for the module. Only one code to be selected from list below:

Code	Description	Explanation/Example
1	Completed return	Use this code if the farm has completed a return for the module
2	Farm not approached	Use this code if the farm has not been approached
3	Farm approached but refused	Use this code if the farm has been approached but has refused to take part.

4	Not applicable in Wales	Use this code if the farm is located in Wales.
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How do you access technical advice? (Row 105)

This seeks to identify where or how farmers source the information upon which they subsequently base their technical management of the business. Technical management covers decisions over which crops/animals to grow/keep, which feed/fertilisers/ pesticides to use and agronomic advice and planning. This may be through informal discussions with other farmers or through more formal routes such as discussion groups, training workshops and consultants. **E.G agronomy/nutrition advice in a typical year**

Any advice provided free of charge should be recorded as code 32 whether or not it is attached to specific products from a supplier. This means that impartial agronomic advice would be recorded under the same code as that from a feed supplier where the advice only related to the products of that particular supplier.

The codes are cumulative and should be added together where more than one applies.

Code	Description
2	Through talking to other farmers
4	Through the farming media e.g. internet sites, trade magazines
8	Through events and demonstrations, e.g. meetings organised by vets /machinery suppliers/ levy bodies
16	Through discussion groups, farm walks e.g. closely involving other local farmers / held on local farms
32	Through technical advice supplied with no direct charge (e.g. from input supplier)
64	Through technical advice supplied for a charge
128	Through using performance indicators such as EBVs ¹ (Estimated Breeding Values), PLIs ² (Profitable Lifetime Indices), NIAB (National Institute of Agricultural Botany) list or AHDB recommended lists for cereals and oilseeds ³
1	None identified (none of the above)

How do you access business management advice? (Row 106)

This seeks to identify where or how farmers source the information upon which they base their business management. This question does not cover decisions over which crops/animals to grow/keep, which feed/fertilisers/ pesticides to use and agronomic advice and planning. **E.G financial or business planning advice**

The codes are cumulative and should be added together where more than one applies.

Code	Description
2	Through talking to other farmers
4	Through the farming media, e.g. internet sites, trade magazines
8	Through events and demonstrations, e.g. meetings organised by banks /accountancy firms/ levy bodies
16	Through discussion groups, farm walks e.g. closely involving other local farmers / held on local farms
32	Through advice supplied with no direct charge (e.g. from casual discussion with accountant or bank manager) or subsidised specific advice, e.g. Farm Advisory Service.
64	Through specific business advice supplied for a charge (e.g. via consultant)
128	Through Growth Hubs (public/private partnership projects in Local Enterprise Partnership areas that join up national and local business support to make it easier for businesses to find the help they need)
1	None identified (none of the above)

¹ Estimated Breeding Values (EBV) estimate the genetic worth of animals using desirable traits such as meat production

² A Profitable Lifetime Index (PLI) is a scoring system to identify cattle with the best 'genetic merit' used when choosing bulls to breed with dairy cattle. The PLI uses a combination of attributes including life expectancy, health, fertility and milk production.

³ <https://cereals.ahdb.org.uk/varieties/ahdb-recommended-lists.aspx>

Which of the following business management practices ARE being carried out for your business (by you or a third party)? (Row 107)

This question will establish what types of practices are currently employed in the management of the business including benchmarking, business planning, arranging finance cash flows and budgeting.

The codes are cumulative and should be added together where more than one applies.

Code	Description	Explanation/examples
2	Attends discussion groups on business management issues at least three times per year	Use this code if someone regularly attends discussion groups on business management issues at least three times year. Attending a one-off meeting, or attending a group regularly but at which only one of the meetings was on business management issues, would not qualify.
4	Informal plan (e.g. At least once a year the team met to discuss future directions)	Use this code if the farm has an informal business plan, which may be less detailed or structured and would be used for personal use or for discussions within the business
8	Formal plan produced and reviewed at least once a year.	Use this code if the farm has a formal business plan in place. This plan would include cash flows, forward budgets etc. prepared in a format suitable for sharing with a third party, such as an accountant or bank manager.
16	Regularly produces budgets/ gross margins/ cash flows or in depth analysis of profit and loss account	Use this code if the farm produces budgets/gross margins/ cash flows or in depth analysis of profit and loss accounts and reviews and/or adjusts them more frequently than annually.
32	Benchmarking (whole farm business level)	Use this code if the farm takes an active role in benchmarking at the whole farm business level. The farm actively uses their farm accounts to compare their performance (on a per hectare/per head basis) at the whole business level to other businesses in England. Contribution to the FBS would not be sufficient but active use of FBS feedback in a benchmarking format and/or use of the online benchmarking tools provided by farmbusinesssurvey.co.uk to compare at the business level should be included. <i>Active use of the feedback means taking time to actually compare costs and returns to the average and premium data as well as the previous financial year, although not necessarily acting on this comparison</i>
64	Enterprise level/balance sheet/international benchmarking	Use this code if the farm carries out business comparisons (not Key Performance indicators such as milk yields/crop yields) at the enterprise level (e.g. Dairy, wheat etc...) or balance sheet level between their business and other businesses in England, or undertakes any form of benchmarking at international level. The use of the online benchmarking tools provided by farmbusinesssurvey.co.uk to compare at either the enterprise level/balance sheet should be included. Gross margin comparative analysis produced by centres should be included here if the farmer actively uses it.
1	No practices (none of the above)	The farm is not carrying out any business planning, benchmarking and management accounting practices.

What PREVENTS you from commissioning/carrying out [more] business planning, benchmarking or management accounting practices? (Row 108)

Please enter the barriers that prevent the business from carrying out the practices stated in row 107. The codes are cumulative and should be added together where more than one applies.

Code	Description
1	Not applicable (all the practices my business needs are being carried out)
2	Could not find the time
4	Not interested
8	Can't see how benchmarking could help business
16	Do not have the appropriate skills/ knowledge (would need training)
32	Cost (e.g. of courses, software)

Which of the following are you doing to minimise risk? (Row 109)

Any measures used to mitigate the impact of such incidents as extreme market price falls or disease outbreaks should be recorded here. These cover a range of activities from taking out insurance policies to strategic selling of produce using a variety of marketing tools. When considering which further skills they would like to acquire this could be done by considering whether the business would benefit from these skills. **E.g. risk of extreme market price or disease outbreak or direct impact of weather conditions**

The codes are cumulative and should be added together where more than one applies.

Code	Description	Explanation/examples
2	<u>Sells</u> some commodities on contract basis with agreed price	Use this code if the farm sells some or all of commodities on a contract basis with an agreed price. In the case of milk; only fixed price contracts should be included. This does not include aligned contracts where the price is linked to the cost of production
4	Uses selling groups and pools to market some or all of commodities	Use this code if the farm uses selling groups and pools to sell some or all of its commodities.
8	<u>Purchases</u> some inputs on contract basis with agreed price	Use this code if the farm purchases some of its inputs on a contract basis with an agreed price.
16	Makes use of 'options'	Use this code if the farm makes use of 'options' for selling grain. These can be regarded as a kind of insurance product that enable growers to effectively obtain a guaranteed floor to the price but also enable them not to 'lose out' if the price rises above the floor
32	Animal health insurance	Use this code if the farm has animal health insurance.
64	Crop damage insurance	Use this code if the farm has crop damage insurance. Building insurance when the crops are in store would not count towards this.
128	Using bio-security measures to manage disease risk	Use this code if the farm is using bio-security measures such as provision of disinfectant/washing facilities as a disease risk management initiative. Welly dipping should be excluded.
256	Lock into a fixed exchange rate	Use this code if the farm has locked into a fixed exchange rate. For example the farm may have chosen to receive their BPS payment in euros and may have fixed the exchange rate at any time before receiving their payment using a forward contract through a foreign exchange broker or a bank.
1	None of the above/no further knowledge required.	The farm has no risk management strategy or the farm does not need to acquire further knowledge.

What PREVENTS you from carrying out [more] risk management practices? (Row 110)

Please enter the reasons why the business does not carry out any of the practices in the previous question.

The codes are cumulative and should be added together where more than one applies.

Code	Description
1	Not applicable, all the practices my business needs are being carried out
2	Benefits from the risk management options are not clear
4	No time (to research, learn about and/or implement)
8	Too costly
16	No information available to consider options
32	Interested, but taking longer than anticipated to adopt
64	Other

51.WALES ONLY Succession Questions (Lines 78, 79, 80, 120)**Monitoring succession in farming (lines 78-80, 120)**

This topic is of great interest to policy makers in Wales and other stakeholders, given the growing interest in understanding potential business / farming continuation across different sectors, and this also feeds into social issues linked to the sustainability of farming. Arrangements for succession should be discussed with the current incumbent with management responsibility for the farm business, who may not necessarily be its legal owner.

PART A (Line 78)

“Would you be happy to answer questions about succession of your business”?

Code	Response
1	YES
2	NO / prefer not to discuss / RO knowledge of farm family situation means inappropriate to ask Part A question
3	decision maker not seen on this occasion

If code 1 recorded, then data capture is via a series of simple yes or no questions below. If code 2 or 3, no further questions:

PART B (Line 79)

If answer to question ‘is there a successor(s) nominated to succeed with running of business is YES, then need to determine by use of codes which response applies-see code and choice of responses below:

Code	Response
1	yes, from within the family, or
2	business continuing, but from outside the family, or
3	no, or
4	unsure, or
5	too early in family circumstances/business situation to answer
6	successor(s) nominated but unable to take over due to tenancy or other restriction/issues
9	Not applicable, as code 2 or 3 used in Part A

from within the family’ (Family defined as direct family [e.g. husband, wife, son, daughter], family relative [e.g. brother, nephew, niece] or family ‘in-law’ either via marriage or long term partnership [e.g. son/daughter-in law if daughter/son not actively taking on the management of the business])

from outside the family’ (e.g. by 3rd party sale, lease or contract farming arrangement of whole farm business)

Part C (Line 80)

Is successor from:

Code	Response
1	Farming background (e.g. has substantial experience [e.g. three years practical experience including some time studying at College/University]-as defined for taking on farm tenancy or second generation farmer)
2	New to farming (e.g. first generation farmer /limited background in farming)
3	Not applicable as codes 3 to 9 used in part B

Part D (Line 120)**Note- Binary codes, more than one response can be entered**

If no successor, what will probably happen to the farm:

Code	Response
1	Not appropriate as non-respondent or successor
2	Inappropriate question to ask
4	End of tenancy
8	Rent or contract out land/building
16	Sell assets
32	Unsure
64	Other - details via x –code

52.WALES ONLY Business Management Practices (Lines 111-119)

On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not at all important and 5 is very important, how important is talking to other farmers as a source of information and advice for you personally? (Row 111)

On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is not at all interested and 5 is extremely interested, how interested are you in accessing information or advice about farming on the internet?
(Row 112)

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

Response codes (questions 113 to 119):

1 = Strongly disagree

2 = Disagree

3 = Neither agree nor disagree

4 = Agree

5 = Strongly agree

Achieving a good quality of life is more important to me than maximising income from my holding (Row 113)

All farms should strive to be as environmentally sustainable as possible (Row 114)

Collaborating with other farmers improves the running of a farm (Row 115)

I always make time to socialise with other farmers (Row 116)

I am always looking to learn new skills and knowledge that I can apply to my holding (Row 117)

I am keen to apply new technology on my holding as it becomes available (Row 118)

I am happy to take advice about managing the natural environment on my holding (Row 119)

2. SECTION B - LABOUR

General

1. **Labour excludes** persons under 13 years old.
2. **Work on the holding includes** all the work done in connection with the normal running of the holding including any fully integrated activities recorded in Section I, i.e:

- organisation and administration (farm sales and purchases, bookkeeping, VAT returns etc. **NB This is not to be treated as management**);
- field work (all arable and grassland operations, orchard maintenance etc.);
- livestock husbandry (feed preparation, feeding of animals, milking, care of livestock etc.);
- maintenance work on the farm (buildings, machinery, equipment, hedges, ditches etc.); transport for and carried out by the labour of the holding other work if directly connected with farm work; forestry work (on woodland included in the agricultural holding);
- All work associated with fully integrated activities recorded in Section I, but excluding all work associated with off-farm work that are not included in the FBS, see decision chart in Section I. Contract work for others where this meets with the criteria outlined in Section I for allocating such activities to Section I. Where it may be more appropriate to deem some activities undertaken as off farm activities in Section K (Wales only) (see decision chart in Section I) in which case labour associated with it should not be recorded in Section B.
- Managerial Labour as defined in Paragraph 4.

3. **Work on the holding does not include the following:**

- (a) work to produce fixed assets (construction or major repairs of buildings or machinery, planting of orchards, demolition of buildings, felling of fruit trees etc.) unless capital credits to the value of that work have been included in section I;
- (b) work performed for the household of the holder or manager;
- (c) work done by travelling secretaries (the cost of such secretaries should be included in F line 43).

4. **Managerial Labour**

Both paid and unpaid managerial labour to be recorded in Section B. However, the financial cost is only recorded for paid labour. No imputed charge is recorded for unpaid management hours.

Managerial activities are essentially those involving analysing and interpreting information and then making a decision, i.e. choosing strategy and direction of the business, choosing certain enterprises over others, deciding on cost control measures, investment decisions, choosing sources of advice, choosing learning and development, undertaking learning and development, attending discussion groups and NFU meetings, analysis and interpretation of enterprise and whole farm budgets and forecasts. A further aspect of management is that it often involves an element of risk taking.

Examples of activities that are not part of management are; giving instructions, choosing which husbandry operations are carried out and when, completing admin records, completing claim forms, entering financial figures in costs and budgets. These should be considered as manual labour and would tend to fall under overhead labour at section I, although there are examples of enterprise specific activities that fall under direct labour, not overhead labour, e.g. completing milk records and crop records.

One example of the difference between management and non-management is that a decision to harvest a particular field on a certain day is management, but instructing a farm worker to go ahead is not, even where the instruction was carried out by the manager. Some further examples of management activity can be found in appendix 22.

It can be very difficult to accurately quantify the time spent on management but it is important to measure it as robustly as possible, so that the return to purely management as opposed to manual input can be measured.

5. Mutual Assistance Between Holdings.

Where the exchange of services is on a limited scale, nothing is indicated on the farm return. In exceptional cases, when the exchange of services is of material significance to the normal farm operation, the procedure is one of the following:

- (a) An exchange of work - if in principle the assistance given is equivalent to the assistance received, the time worked by the farm labour and any related wages are specified in the farm return.
- (b) Work exchanged for assistance of another kind e.g. the supply of machinery. For the farm supplying the labour, the working time provided and any related wages are left out of labour costs and the value of the service received is recorded as an input under the corresponding heading (e.g. F1 line 75 & 76 "Contract work" and "Machinery rental" respectively).

For the farm supplying the other service, working time is recorded as paid farm work (B lines 10 to 16), the value of the assistance given is recorded both as production under the corresponding heading (e.g. I codes 914 or 915) and as a cost (under B line 18 and F line 1 "Wages and social security").

Integrated System: Section B

Completed by a combination of data brought forward from the previous year and manual or automated transfer of AAP data.

Benefits in kind calculated in different areas of the FAS24 are identified in a working table, and need to be allocated to the correct item rows.

Labour attributable to non-agricultural Section I activities are calculated in a working table to the right of the core data. Spreadsheet column O is for entry of manual hours as opposed to total hours in item column 5 which would include management hours. Column P is for entry of the Section I hours, with the Section I cost being the product of hours and hourly rate. Section I working table shows the total labour costs allocated in Section B and these need to be allocated to the individual activities.

Where there is a formal or informal agreement in place to share labour the activity should also be recorded within section A at A72 to enable farm identification. See appendix 20 for further details.

Definitions of the Labour Categories**6. Regular Labour** (lines 1 to 6, 8, 10 to 12, 14 to 16, 19 and 20).

People who work at least one whole day per week (excluding normal holidays) for the holding during the accounting year.

A person employed regularly but who, for special reasons has been engaged on the farm only for a limited period in the accounting year, is nevertheless entered (for the number of hours actually worked) as regular labour. This might arise for the following reasons:

- (a) Absence from work other than for normal holidays, e.g. illness, accident, maternity, extended leave etc.
- (b) Joining or leaving the holding
- (c) Total cessation of work on the holding due to accidental causes, e.g. flood, fire etc.

Note: For lines 1 to 4, enter the regular unpaid partners, directors or managers in decreasing order of importance to the business or, if this is not possible, age. There must be no empty lines between entries in lines 1 to 4.

7. Casual or Seasonal Labour (lines 7 and 13)

An aggregate of people who have not worked regularly on the holding during the accounting year. There may be special production conditions on the farm for which labour is not required throughout the year, e.g. farms specializing in the seasonal fattening of animals or in the production of fruit and vegetables in the open. Contract labour not associated with the hiring of any machinery should also be recorded here.

8. Whole-Time Labour (lines 6, 11 and 12)

People who work on average over 30 hours per week on the holding.

9. Part-Time Labour (lines 8, 14 and 15)

People who work on average less than 30 hours per week on the holding.

10. Wholly or Mainly Unpaid Labour (lines 1 to 8, 19 and 20)

Unpaid labour or **labour which receives less remuneration (in cash or in kind) than the amount normally paid for the services rendered.** Where a mainly unpaid worker receives some regular wage or salary, this should be included within the total estimated unpaid value and recorded in col. 7, so that the total unpaid wage equates to the gross earnings of an agricultural worker doing similar work and working similar hours. Guidance on how unpaid labour may be valued is provided in Appendix 15.

Unpaid labour includes the following:-

- (a) The farmer, farmer's spouse, regular unpaid partners, directors or managers (lines 1 to 4, 19 and 20). If there are more than 5 partners, the extra ones should be included under "other unpaid workers" (line 6, 7 or 8 as appropriate) and a comment made in the comment box.
- (b) Paid directors should also be recorded in lines 1 to 4, as unpaid labour and hours worked should be valued in the normal way. Any 'pay' to paid directors should be entered in private drawings (Section G3). Note that the equivalent value should be entered in section F, line 83, column 7. Line 83 is not included in the calculation of net farm income but is used in the derivation of farm business income.
- (c) Spouse(s) of partner(s), director(s), or manager(s) (line 5). Only included if working on the holding.
- (d) Other regular unpaid labour not included in the preceding headings (lines 6 and 8).
- (e) Casual and seasonal unpaid labour (line 7).

11. Paid Labour (lines 10 to 16)

Labour paid in cash and/or in kind for services rendered. It includes:

- (a) Farm Manager (line 10). Salaried person undertaking the day to day management of the holding without assumption of legal and economic responsibility for it. No entry in col. 3 (numbers) is required, as line 10 applies to one person only.
- (b) Other regular workers (lines 11, 12, 14 and 15). These should be split into whole-time family (line 11) and non-family (line 12) and part time family (line 14) and non-family (line 15). Any second or subsequent manager should be included here.
- (c) Casual or seasonal paid labour (line 13).
- (d) Trainees (including Apprenticeships) (line 16). This should be completed as for other paid workers.
The grant / subsidies received by the farmer should be entered in Section F line 1 col. 4.

12. Other Employment Expenses (line 17)

This covers employer's liability insurance, gross redundancy payments, costs of advertisements, interview expenses and the cost of training courses, etc. Training grants are not included here, but are included in Section F lines 1 or 2 col. 4.

Where a farm business rents a house/cottage for an employee, the cost should be included here

13. Gender of Farmer (lines 01, 02, 03, 04 &10.)

The gender code (1=male 2=female) is entered in column 10 lines 01, 02, 03, 04 &10.

14. Farmer and Spouse (lines 19 and 20)

The person to be recorded in B19, the farmer, will in general have the greatest economic and legal responsibility for the business. In most circumstances this will be the owner of the business. Where the business is run in partnership, the farmer should be taken as the person who takes the major business decisions. If a partnership is truly equal, then the Research Officer should use discretion as to who is recorded as the farmer. A useful indicator of the farmer may be the person co-operating with the RO in the provision of data for the FBS.

Farmer and spouse hours worked (column 5) cover all farm activities including management inputs involved with running the farm business. The value of unpaid labour of farmer and spouse covers the estimated value of their manual labour, assessed at the current wage rates for the district for corresponding work including overtime Social security contributions (employer's and employee's shares), calculated as if they were for paid labour, are to be included in this figure, but any personal insurances are to be excluded. The value of the managerial work of the farmer and spouse must not be included in column 7.

15. Manager's Paid Managerial Input (line 21)

The data in this line should represent that part of the total paid labour recorded in lines 10 to 16 which relates to managerial work. It can relate to one or more worker. An explanation of what constitutes managerial labour can be found at paragraph 4 above.

Definitions of the Columns

16. Duty Code (col. 1)

This column records the duty code for lines 01, 02, 03, 04 & 19,

The responsibility of the farmer and each of the unpaid partners, directors or managers should be classified according to the following:

- (a) Holder / manager (code 1). Person who assumes economic and legal responsibility for the holding and undertakes its day to day management.
- (b) Holder / not manager (code 2). Person who assumes economic and legal responsibility for the holding without undertaking its day to day management.
- (c) Manager / not holder (code 3). Person who undertakes day to day management of the holding without assumption of economic and legal responsibility for it.
- (d) Limited company (code 9,) including new definitions from 2015/16 of Farming Company or Farm Company Subsidiary. This code is used for **all** unpaid directors and / or managers or farmers who are part of a farming company (i.e. when A line 7 = 4 or 6). When the function is performed by several people (e.g. brother and sister, husband and wife) each one is recorded in decreasing order of responsibility; in the event of equal responsibility, decreasing order of age is used. Thus the data concerning the person assuming the greatest responsibility are recorded in line 19; those concerning the next in responsibility in line 1; the next in line 2 etc.

17. Year of Birth (col. 2, required for lines 1 to 4, 10 and 19)

Where this information is not available, the RO should make a best estimate. Enter all **four** digits of the year of birth. **Do not record the age.**

18. Numbers (col. 3)

Numbers are only required for aggregated categories, i.e. lines 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 15 and 16. Only whole numbers should be entered in this column.

19. Time Worked Annually (hours) (col. 5)

Time worked should be indicated in hours. It should refer to the time actually devoted to the work of the holding, **both manual and managerial**. The time worked by piece-work labour is estimated by dividing the total amount paid for the work by the hourly wage if the worker had been employed on a piece rate basis. A ready reckoner for assessing hours actually worked on the farm can be found at Appendix 14.

20. Total Management Hours Worked Annually (col. 12)

Total hours worked should be indicated in hours, and relates to Management activities as defined in paragraph 4. Managerial activities are essentially those involving analysing and interpreting information and then making a decision, i.e. a strategic decision.

21. Gross Paid Wages and Salaries (col. 6)

This covers:

- (a) The cash payment made to the worker including overtime plus premia, bonuses and the employer's and employee's shares of social security contributions. (The employer's common law liability insurance is included in line 17).
- (b) The cost of perks such as payment of Council Tax, milk, potatoes etc., which are provided for farm workers and their families, should be recorded under Gross wages
- (c) Council Tax. Where an employer pays all or part of the Council Tax for a paid employee and / or the employee's family, the amount paid should be recorded here.
- (d) Cottages. Where the farm provides the employee with a house/cottage and does not charge a rent, an imputed charge of £78/year (£1.50 per week) should be added to Gross Wages and the imputed value of the cottage should also be included in line 340 in Section I. Where the farm has to pay a commercial rent to a landlord to rent a house/cottage for an employee this payment should be recorded in Line 17 (other employment expenses). [This can be a large sum of money that would distort hourly wage costs if included in Gross wages].
- (e) Board. Where workers are boarded / lodged with persons unrelated to the farmer and who have no financial interest in the farm, the actual cost to the employer of such board and lodging is recorded in Gross Wages. Where Board is provided for workers and no charge for rent is made, an imputed cost equivalent to the statutory value prescribed in the old Wages Order (£1.50 per week) (Agricultural Wages Board abolished in June 2013) should be added to the relevant line and a corresponding amount added to Miscellaneous Revenue (see Section I).

- (f) Other Perks. Milk, potatoes etc. should be charged at the old Wages Board rate where available, or otherwise at ex-farm prices. A contra entry must be made in the benefits in kind column of the appropriate commodity, e.g. Section C2 col. 32.

22. Unpaid Labour - Manual Only (col. 7)

The total to be entered here is the equivalent of the wages including social security contributions (employer's and employee's shares) and perks which would have been paid for equivalent hired workers who were not given help towards the Council Tax or board and lodging. Therefore Council Tax and board and lodging for unpaid labour should be excluded from the FAS 24. All entries in col. 7 should be at least the minimum ruling rate as recommended by the old AWB.

23. Education Code (col. 8)

The educational qualifications of the manager, farmer, and other unpaid partners, directors or managers (lines 1 to 4, 10, and 19) should be entered according to the following codes:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	School only, no educational qualifications achieved on leaving school
1	GCSE or equivalent achieved
2	A level or equivalent achieved
3	College, National Diploma, Certificate, e.g. BTEC or HND in any subject
4	Degree qualification in any subject
5	Post graduate qualification in any subject
6	Apprenticeship, either formal, or informal through any job where there is a significant element of training and/or day release
9	Other, i.e. educational qualification that does not fit into any of the above categories

Where a person has more than one qualification, the highest qualification should be given.

Note: in the Integrated electronic FAS24, where the Education Code is '0' (School only), the code will default to 99, which then has to be changed back to zero if correct or the correct education if it has been missed. This is to prevent confusion with a null entry and an entry for School only.

24. FADN: Education Codes (B lines 01 to 04, 10 & 19 column 11)

Education codes are required where the FBS Duty code is 1, 3 or 9, and not required where the duty code is 2 (holder/not manager).

The Educational codes are based on the structure survey definitions and are being adopted by FADN:

Basic agricultural training is any training courses which were completed at a general agricultural college and/ or institution specialising in certain subjects (including horticulture, viticulture, silviculture, pisciculture, veterinary science, agricultural technology and associated subjects). A completed agricultural apprenticeship is regarded as basic training.

Full agricultural training is any training courses continuing for the equivalent of at least two years full time training after the end of compulsory education and completed at an agricultural college, university or other institute or higher education in agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, silviculture, pisciculture, veterinary science, agricultural technology and associated subjects.

Codes and descriptions of them see below:

Code Description

- 1 Only practical agricultural experience
- 2 Basic agricultural training (<2 years)
- 3 Fully agricultural training

3. **SECTION C - CROPPING**

General

1. **Section C1** is used for previous years' crops and **Section C2** for current crops. **Section C3** is used to record by-products (including straw), forage, cultivations, and recording of grassland according to the Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) definition.

2. **All entries in Section C** should exclude output from non-agricultural activities. Non-agricultural activities include value-added activities, such as the processing and retailing of farm produce (see Section I and Appendix_12 for further details). Output arising from a value-added activity should be recorded in Section I. However, as from 2015/16, where activities are undertaken to add value to home produced crops the value of these products (excluding added-value) should be recorded in Column 60 at C1, C2, & C3 to enable their gross value to be determined in Section I.

3. **Separate Lines of Section C2 (and as appropriate C1) are to be used to record:**

All main crop products except for fodder crops:

Individual lines in Section C3 are described in paragraphs 21 to 33.

4. **Set-Aside Land**

Member States of the EU have agreed in principle to abolish obligatory set aside. Any voluntary set aside should be recorded in section C3, line 424 (uncropped land excluding rotational fallow and including voluntary set aside).

Definitions of the Codes

5. **Product Code**

These are three digit figures given in Appendix 3 which should be entered in column E of sections C1, C2 and C3 in the Integrated System.

6. **Type Code**

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| 0 | Not Applicable - used only for basic areas, mushrooms, rhubarb forced in sheds, previous crops, sugar beet quota leased out, processed products, by-products, fallow, bare land and forage let, cultivations, bare land and forage hired. |
| 1 | Main Crops - this code is used for:-

(a) single crops which are the only ones grown on a given area during the accounting year;
(b) mixed crops, which are sown, cultivated and harvested together, producing a mixture of crops as the final product;
(c) includes field scale soft fruit production (including strawberries; grown in polythene tunnels that were previously recorded as crop type 4)
(d) the crop with the greatest value where crops are grown successively on the same area or where a permanent crop is grown in conjunction with another crop. If values are equal, the crop which remains longest in the ground is considered the main crop. |
| 2 | Combined Crops – a combination of crops growing for some time together on the same land and each normally producing a distinct harvest during the course of the accounting year, e.g. strawberries under top fruit, celery interplanted with lettuce. The total area is divided between these crops in proportion to the area actually occupied by each. |

- 3 Follow-on Crops (Catch Crops) - this code should be used for those crops grown in succession during the accounting year on a given area but not regarded as main crops (see above).
- 4 Outdoor multiple cropped vegetables and all Floriculture Crops - fresh vegetables/salads that are multiple cropped in the open and all flowers/ornamental plants grown in the open. Crops grown under low polythene tunnels or cloches should be treated as being grown in the open.
NOTE: Basic area code 109 with Type code 4 should only be used for vegetables where multiple cropping occurs.
 Where multiple cropping does not occur, the vegetable Crop code with **Type code 1 only** should be used. This applies regardless of farm type and will have no impact on farm typology which distinguishes between 'Other Horticulture' and 'General Cropping' farms on the presence or absence of arable crops on the farm.
- 5 Crops Under Glass. This includes small scale (not field scale) soft fruit grown under polythene or under glass.
- 6 Share Crops - where a main, combined or follow on crop (but not a horticultural crop) is share farmed, i.e. the costs and benefits of producing the crop are shared between the co-operating farm and some other party (e.g. the landlord or a neighbour).
- 7 Crop subsidy other than area payments
- 9 Previous year's crop
- 11 Crop grown for renewable energy production e.g. forage maize for anaerobic digester (AD)

7. Missing Data Code

If one of the situations set out below arises where data cannot be provided, the appropriate missing data code should be inserted.

- 0 No Data Missing - both the area and production of a crop are available (used for basic areas).
- 1 Production given, but principal area (col. 21) missing. For example, purchased standing crops, or crops grown wholly or partly on land rented for less than one year.
- 2 Crops grown under a purchasing contract for which production in tonnes (col. 23) is not available.
- 3 Area is given but there is no production. This can be non-contract crops not sold by weight, but by the net, crate, head etc. (such as lettuce and cabbage). Notice that crops grown under a purchasing contract are entered as MDC 2.
- 4 Area and / or production of crop is missing. This is used for by-products, processed products, previous crops and crops on which subsidies are paid. This code should also be used for sugar beet quota that is leased out.

8. Forage Crops grown for Anaerobic Digester (AD) units recorded in Section C2

All crops grown for AD units are to be recorded in Section C2

Forage Maize

From 2016/17 forage maize grown for Anaerobic Digester (AD) units should be recorded as crop code 415 (forage maize), type code 11, in Section C2

Previously it had been recorded as crop code 52, with type code 11, in Section C2

Other Silage cereals, e.g. forage rye

These should be recorded under the individual cereal code with a type code 11

These crops will have the same standard output as cereal crops which is a better representation of the crop than silage cereals

Fodder Roots

Other fodder crops, e.g. fodder beet should be recorded as code 400 (other fodder roots), type code 11.

9. Revenue Codes for Horticultural Crops

For **horticultural crops (crop codes 108 to 265)** revenue should be recorded gross of contra items of expenditure deducted from sale vouchers (such as processing, packaging and marketing costs) unless these charges have not been itemised by the purchaser. Where it is the case that processing / packaging / marketing charges have not been itemised by the purchaser, revenue may be recorded net of such costs. This is also permissible in cases where *a disproportionate amount of time would be spent recording gross revenue and contra expenditure even when the information is available from sales vouchers.*

- 0 Revenue is recorded gross of normal processing / packaging / marketing costs. No data is missing, and such costs are recorded in Section F as appropriate.
- 1 Revenue is recorded net of normal processing / packaging / marketing costs. Purchaser has not recorded such costs, and to estimate the costs would involve a disproportionate amount of time.
- 2 Revenue is recorded as a mixture of gross and net of normal processing / packaging / marketing costs. Applies when there is a combination of sales of the same crop, some recorded net and some gross of costs.

Revenue codes should not be entered for crops whose codes lie outside of the range 108 to 265

Definition of the Columns**10. Opening Valuation** (cols. 25 and 26 of C1 and C3)

The value (£) should be entered in col 26 with the corresponding amount (in tonnes) entered in col 25. Where the opening valuation is amended significantly from the closing valuation of the previous year to take account of additional information, the revised figure should be used and the revision to the valuation recorded in D20. Where there are relatively minor changes in crop valuations, the opening valuation should not be changed and the difference will appear as an adjustment in col. 42.

11. Closing Valuation (cols. 27 and 28 of C1, C2 and C3)

For C1, C2 and C3, the value (£) should be entered in col 28 with the corresponding amount (in tonnes) entered in col 27.

Section C1 - the value and amount of any of the previous years' crops remaining on the farm at the end of the current year, i.e. for more than 12 months, should be recorded and included in the opening valuation for the following year.

Section C2 and Section C3 - the value of crops in store or in the ground at the end of the year, including home grown seed already sown from the current crop for next year's harvest, to be valued as though still in the barn. Purchased seeds and plants already sown for next year's crops as well as fertilisers, sprays and other crop costs already applied/used on next year's crops should be excluded from the closing valuation of crops, but included in the closing valuation in F1 lines 27 to 30, i.e. treated as if still in store.

The crops should be valued at ex-farm prices (i.e. estimated market value less costs still to be incurred such as costs of harvesting, marketing or storage), taking account of any likely losses. This market value should reflect that of the basic agricultural product, excluding any value-added processing or retailing activities. Market value and costs still to be incurred may be those either at the date of valuation or at the expected date of sale. In order to avoid substantial changes between the opening valuation of the second year and the closing valuation of the first year, it is recommended that where possible the latter method be used.

Forage crops in store may be valued at estimated market value (or, if appropriate, at variable costs of production) whilst forage crops still growing should be valued at estimated cost at the date of valuation.

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Permanent crop depreciation and closing valuations are calculated on the year of planting and gross cost.

From 2019/20 all permanent crops are depreciated from their first year of establishment. Previously the methodology was to appreciate for the first five years and then depreciate.

Orchard name, area and trees/ha are recorded for reference purposes.

Year planted, Life and Gross Cost are required to calculate the depreciation and Closing Value.

Life is the expected life expectancy of the permanent crop.

Gross cost is the cost of establishment

Year grubbed creates a zero closing valuation.

Opening valuations are brought forward for the previous year, or for new farms are shown in the *OV* from *Orig cost column*, and should be entered in the *Open Valn* column.

Historic cost depreciation is calculated on the year of planting and establishment costs.

Permanent crops - crops with a life of not less than 5 years, such as orchards, certain soft fruits, vineyards, hop gardens and hardy nursery stock stock-plants i.e. crops which stay in the ground and from which output is taken in the form of cuttings, fruit etc. Energy crops (specifically miscanthus and short rotation coppice) are also regarded as permanent crops. Hardy nursery stock with a production cycle of more than 5 years, where the mature plant is eventually sold are not considered to be permanent crops, nor are strawberry plants and rhubarb (which have a life of less than five years). Permanent crops should be counted as tenant-type assets and their value should also be entered in Section F line 11. The closing value of permanent stock should be the sum of accumulated costs of establishment, revalued and depreciated as appropriate.

(See Section F paragraph 22 for more information on completing the Permanent Crop Schedule.)

Trading production stock - hardy nursery and fruit stock and Christmas trees and hardy nursery stock with a production cycle of more than 5 years, where the mature plant is eventually sold, is included here, as are strawberry plants and rhubarb (which have a life of less than five years).

These should be valued at the wholesale market price minus marketing costs, all multiplied by two thirds. The two thirds takes account of the substantial proportion of both container grown and field grown plants which will be unsaleable and is based on anecdotal

evidence of such growing crops being successfully sold to "the trade" on this basis. It assumes that all plants are included in the initial valuation. For field grown plants, the initial valuation is likely to be arrived at by multiplying the number of rows in a field by the length and dividing by the planting distance. Using such a method, the initial estimate is very likely to be an overestimate. The market value of both field grown and container grown plants should be the wholesale price, because it is difficult to obtain the retail price for all plants. If the wholesale price assumes that field grown plants will be sold in containers, the cost of potting and any further packaging such as bags and compost must be deducted.

It is also necessary to establish if the producer is having to discount the wholesale price. An important measure of the annual output will include a statement of any change in the discounted price applicable at the end of the financial year. It should be noted that there is no market for small cuttings, so the immature stock should be valued at cost of production.

12. Revenue (cols. 29 and 30 of C1, C2 and C3)

Revenue should be based on the value of the basic agricultural product and should exclude any revenue that can be attributed to a value-added activity. The revenue resulting from a value-added activity should be netted off and recorded in Section I. Revenue should include compensation payments from insurance and/or disaster aid - providing these can be allocated to an individual crop (if they cannot, entries should be made in I line 900, other miscellaneous receipts) - where this is being paid for a crop harvested (or that would have been harvested) in the current year. Compensation payments paid in the current year for crops harvested, or that would have been harvested, in the previous year, or in earlier years, should be recorded in D lines 48 and 55 to 60, as appropriate, whether or not they can be allocated to individual crops and providing they weren't included in that year's net farm income as a debtor.)

Integrated System: Section C1

Any opening valuations of crops are brought forward from the previous year's closing valuations. Where AAP is used there are two analysis options available. Where Centres have fixed rows for individual crops the revenue and tonnage can be posted directly. However where there are not predefined rows for a specific crop there is a working table below Section C1 where that crops analysis data can be posted and either manually entered against the relevant crop, or automatically referenced if the crop code is shown in the 'code' column. If the AAP is not used or for new accounts, the data will need to be entered manually.

There should be no outstanding subsidies for previous crops recorded under revenue in Section C1, because all subsidies are to be recorded 'as due' (i.e. attributed to the production year in which the payment was earned). For fodder crops (C3), subsidies are to be excluded from revenue and separately identified in col. 40 of C3.

The general principle adopted throughout the FBS is to record revenue gross, before the deduction of commission and other external marketing charges paid direct by the farmer (e.g. drying and cleaning costs), which should be entered under "other crop costs" (F line 30). This is a requirement of the FADN. For those products where the difference between gross and net is relatively insignificant, the net figure may be used if it is more readily available. However, it is recognised that in the case of horticultural crops the difference between gross and net may be significant. In certain circumstances, for example where purchasers have not detailed the purchasing / packaging / marketing charges, it may not be possible to ascertain the gross revenue. In such cases, revenue maybe recorded net of such costs, and indicated as such using the appropriate revenue code.

Revenue should be adjusted to exclude opening debtors and include closing debtors. Revenue should exclude produce used in the farmhouse, gifts and benefits in kind to labour and others (these are included in C2 cols.31 & 32, and C3 col.38 – see paragraphs 12 and 13).

Note that non-area payments should be entered with a type code 7.

13. Used on Farm (C1 cols. 33 to 36 and C2 cols. 33 and 34)

These columns cover feed and seed used on the farm (which must also be recorded in F1 lines 17, 18, 19, 20 and 27). Feed refers only to non-forage crops such as home-grown cereals, stockfeed potatoes, carrots etc. Estimates of the consumption of forage crops are not required. The value should be assessed at the ex-farm price of similar quality feed, i.e. market price after deduction of estimated marketing charges. There is no column for seed used on farm in Section C2 because any seed from a current crop is considered to be still in the barn, and therefore included in the closing valuation. In C1 (Cols. 34 and 36 should record the value of the feed and seed used on the farm, with cols. 33 and 35 recording the corresponding quantity).

14. Farmhouse Consumption and Benefits in Kind (C2 cols. 31 and 32)

This includes benefits or gifts to labour and others and produce used in the farmhouse. Such disposals should be valued at ex-farm prices, not retail prices. Col. 32 should be used to record the value of this and col. 31 for the corresponding quantity.

15. Adjustment (C1 col. 42)

The difference between the closing valuation and the sum of the total revenue and the feed and seed used on the farm should be recorded here.

16. Farm Use, Farmhouse Consumption and Benefits in Kind (C3 col. 38)

This includes straw used for feed, bedding or heating and any other tradable by-products, which should be valued at conservative market prices with the appropriate costs entered in Section F (lines 21, 23, 30 or 36).

Integrated System: Straw worksheet

The straw worksheet enables the total straw output to be built up from the components of sales, home use and closing valuation. Total straw sales will be known from the account analysis, and are allocated across the crops. Home use and valuations will be established with the co-operator, and entered in the appropriate columns, either as tonnes and unit prices, or totals. Straw used for feeding or bedding is recorded separately in Section F1 row 21 or 23 (column 3), as appropriate. Straw used for energy production is recorded in Section F1 row 94 (column 3).

Disposal of the previous crop is also required.

Outputs for each crop are calculated and are also shown in the Section C2 working table for Section M calculations. Total straw output is shown in Section C3.

17. Principal Crop Area (col. 21 of C2 and C3) and **Multiple Crop Area** (col. 22 of C2 and C3)

Areas are to be given in hectares to 2 decimal places (i.e. to the nearest 100 square metres). A separate line should generally be used for recording the area of each crop.

Two metre margins for cross compliance purposes are to be ignored and included in the crop area. Four and six metre margins should be treated separately and recorded in section C3 line 424 (see paragraph 32, Section A).

The total area of principal crops (C2 line 299 col. 21), plus the total area of by-products and forage (C3 line 420 col. 21), should equal the Utilised Agricultural Area (Section A line 17).

(a) Principal Agricultural Crops (codes 001 to 106)

In the case of a main crop the total area is entered in col. 21. For combined crops the area should be split between them in proportion to the area occupied by each and recorded in col. 21. In the case of successive or follow-on crops the total area should be entered in col. 21, whilst the areas of the other crop or crops should be entered in col. 2

(b) Horticultural Crops**When to use Basic Areas:**

For vegetables/salads that are **multiple cropped** on the same piece of land outside and for all vegetables/salads grown under glass it is necessary to create a separate line in Section C to show the basic area (column 21) with separate entries for crops grown (column 22).

With vegetables the use of crop code 109 and a type code 4 is only permissible where multiple cropping occurs in which case the basic area in column 21 will be less than the combined areas of multiple vegetable crops in column 22 that is the total area of the whole group of crops.

Examples of multiple cropping maybe in the case of crops such as lettuce and radish, where care must be taken that the total area under successive crops (i.e. the area on which crop is grown x number of successive harvests) is recorded in col. 22.

Where there is no multiple cropping and the combined area of outdoor vegetables is the same as the principle area, **NO Basic Area** is required. In this case Column 21 should be used for each crop with a type code 1.

Where strawberries are grown outside [including under fieldscale protection using polythene tunnels], no basic area is required if the same plant has cropped throughout the year.

All Nursery Stocks plants and Flowers and ornamental plants require a basic area regardless of multiple cropping [Basic Area code 108 & 110]

All glasshouse crops, including small scale polytunnels (not field scale), require a basic area code 5, regardless of multiple cropping. This includes soft fruit grown under glass, but not fieldscale polythene tunnels.

Fruit and Berries (outdoors) do not require a Basic Area

Completing the Basic Area line:

In each case the Basic Area line will have the appropriate Basic Area code (see Appendix 3), the appropriate type code, a missing data code of 0, an entry in col. 21 and all the other columns left blank.

A separate line must still be created for each of the individual crops included in the basic area, unless none of the individual crops occupy more than 5% of the total main products area in which case the crops may be grouped under a general heading.

These individual areas must be recorded in col. 22, to avoid any double counting. The area recorded in col. 22 will include multiple or successive cropping (i.e. the area on which the crop is grown x number of successive harvests).

Mixed vegetables and flowers. Where an area devoted to mixed or successive vegetables and flowers cannot be easily disentangled, the code of the major product (vegetables - product code 109, or flowers - 110) should be used.

Mushrooms (code 126/0). This area is not included in the UAA. The total area under successive crops (basic area x number of complete harvests) should be given in hectares to 2 decimal places, i.e. to the nearest hundred square metres and should be entered in C2 col. 22 (multiple cropping). Data on production etc. should be given in cols. 23 to 44. Use a type code of 0.

Seeds, seedlings and young plants (codes 125 and 127). Where horticultural seeds and young plants are grown in the open as a principal crop, the area should be recorded in column 21 and should not be included in any basic area. However, in all other cases, crops grown under codes 127 or 125 should be recorded in column 22 and included within the appropriate basic area.

Dealing with Horticultural Crops that take more than one year to grow

Where a crop takes more than one year to grow such as Nursery stock, use should be made of both Section C1 and C2, with the revenue spread proportionally between Section C1 & C2, so that the output in C2 only relates to the current financial year

Example: Hardy Nursery stock where crops take more than one year to grow:

- A Nursery grows some plants that need two or more years to reach sales size
- If the total revenue is higher than the opening valuation, put the revenue in Section C1 equivalent to the opening valuation, with the remainder of the revenue in Section C2
- Include a closing valuation in Section C2, so that the output in Section C2 relates to the current year's production
- E.g. Nursery has an opening valuation of £75,000 in Section C1, with revenue throughout the whole year of £100,000. Enter revenue of £75,000 in Section C1, with the remaining revenue in Section C2. Include a closing valuation in Section C2 so that the current year's output is correct

Example: Farm producing Christmas trees with no sales as trees are not yet mature

- £10,000 in opening valuation in Section C1 brought forward from last year
- No revenue, so enter a closing stock in Section C1 equivalent to the opening valuation
- Enter a closing valuation in Section C2 (difference between what the crop is actually worth less what has been put in closing stock for Section C1)
- Output in C2 will just relate to the increase in value of the trees in that year
- Closing valuation in Sections C1 & C2 will equal the total value of the trees in the field

CHRISTMAS TREES

From 2018/19 Christmas Trees are recorded as follows:

There are two types of Christmas tree being recorded: one the field grown tree which remains in situ until harvested, and secondly those grown in pots. The first option seems more like a permanent crop, whereas the pot grown version is more of a nursery plant.

Field Grown Christmas Trees

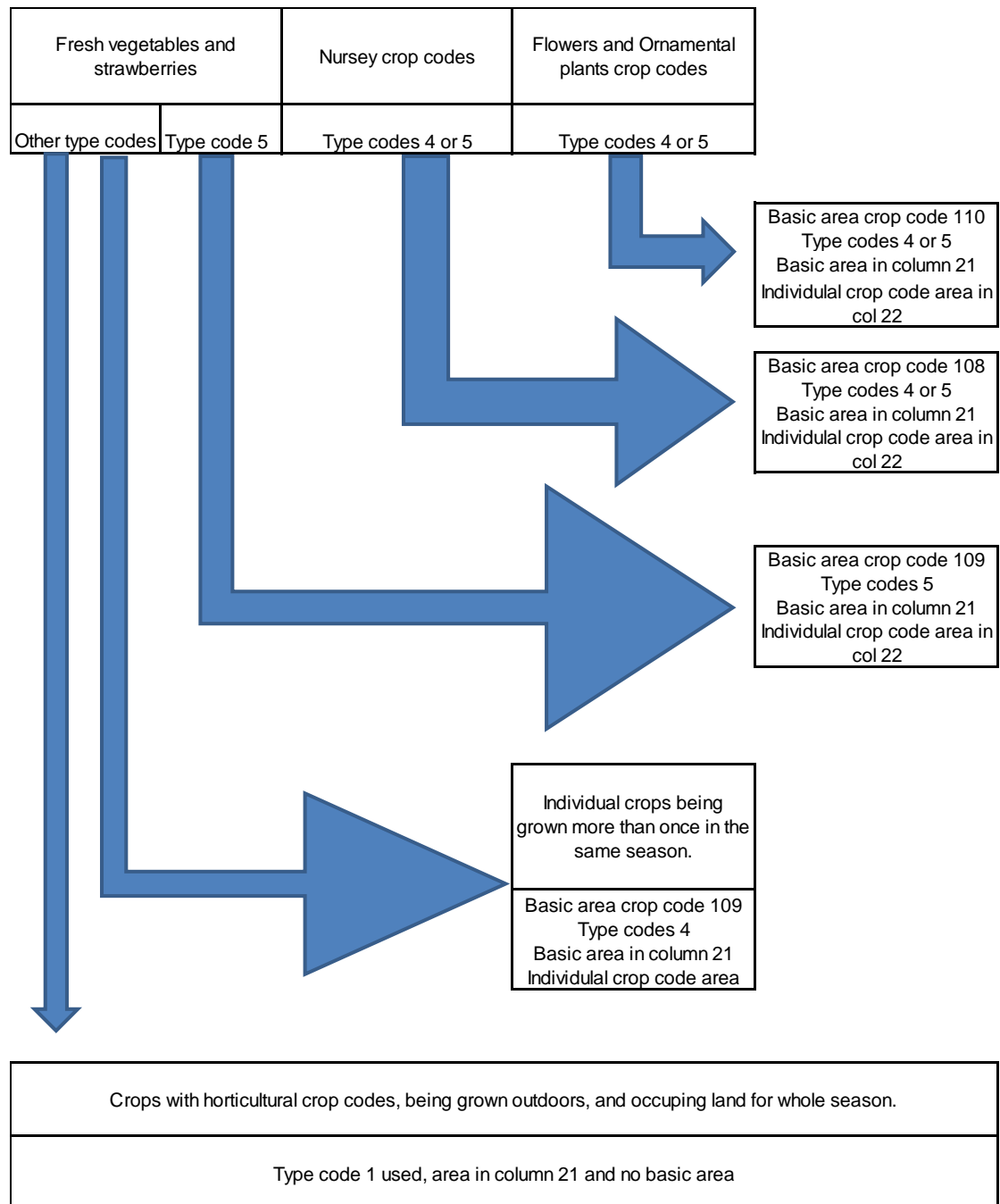
Field grown Christmas trees should be recorded as a main crop using crop code 265 and Type code 1. No Basic Area is required.

Container Grown Christmas Trees

Christmas trees grown in containers should be coded as container grown plants (crop code 225), and not Christmas trees (crop code 265). A Basic Area crop code of 108 (Nursery stock) will also be required.

It is unlikely that Christmas trees would be transplanted into pots but where this occurs, the output from the field grown stock would be recorded as a cost for the container grown trees.

Flow chart to aid calculation of when to use Basic Area codes:



(c) Fertility Building Crops

Fertility building crops (e.g. those used as part of an organic rotations) should be recorded in C2 using crop code 329 and the appropriate type code. [See Appendix 26]

(d) Companion Cropping

This is the practice of growing two or more species in the same field at the same time with the aim being for one crop to thrive due to the beneficial effects of the other crops. The secondary crop is ultimately destroyed.

For the purposes of the FBS, only the main crop should be recorded in Section C. However, where Gross Margins are also calculated, the cost of seed and any spray associated with the companion crop should be included with the cost of the main crop. It should remain as additional seed and spray costs, and not lumped together as 'other crop costs'.

Examples include companion crops for Winter Oilseed Rape to aid fertility, and companion crops for Sugar Beet for wind protection. [See Appendix 26]

18. Total Production of Current Crop (C2 col. 23)

The total gross production during the accounting period in tonnes to one decimal place. It excludes losses and wastage on the farm or in the field, e.g. crops ploughed in, but includes second quality produce. For sugar beet, the clean beet tonnage should be recorded before adjusting for sugar content. Where a figure (in tonnes) cannot be provided, the appropriate code should be put in the missing data code column. This situation may arise for crops sold as "standing" or on contract (code 2), or horticultural crops such as lettuce and cabbage sold by unit, crate, bunch etc. (code 3).

19. Yield per Hectare (C2 col. 24)

The yield per hectare should be calculated from the total production (col. 23) and the total crop area (cols. 21 + 22) and given to 1 decimal place. Note that sugar beet should be recorded on the basis of clean beet tonnage.

20. Subsidies (col. 40 C3)

Arable area payments for those crops that qualify for a coupled payment should be recorded in col. 40, lines 400 to 420 of Section C3. Other subsidies can also be recorded in col 40 using a type code 7 and MDC 4. When recording these other subsidies, the relevant line(s) should contain no other information apart from the crop code, type code, value of the subsidy received and enterprise output.

Any subsidies recorded here should not be recorded in Sections I or vice versa.

Subsidies relating to the current year but still outstanding at the end of the account year (i.e. "due") should be included here, **as well as in Section G line 90** (debtors -crop subsidies). No subsidies should be recorded here which relate to the previous account year. These should already be in the previous year's accounts. If not they should be recorded in section D.

General subsidies should be recorded in Section I on an 'as due basis', except for any compensation payments (e.g. disaster aid) received for the loss of output **in earlier years**, which should be recorded in Section D lines 48 and 55 to 60.

Any refunds paid back for crop subsidies paid out in the previous account year should be recorded in D line 46. Subsidies recorded in C3 should be net of any refunds paid back for subsidies paid out in the current year.

The treatment of fines relating to subsidies should be treated as follows:

- Where the RO is **UNABLE** to identify what it is for:
Where the purpose of the fine is unknown [expected to be a rare occurrence] record payment of fine in general farming costs if it relates to the current year and, if for previous years, exclude fine payment from current year's accounts and record in D85 if related to EU, otherwise record at D17.

- Where the RO is **ABLE** to identify what it is for
So long as they apply to the same year, subsidy penalties should be netted with payments of subsidies in the FAS24 in the relevant locations. If for previous/different years then penalties should be recorded in Section D as outlined above; i.e. record in D85 or D17, as appropriate.

21. Enterprise Output (Col. 41, C2 and C3)

Section C2: this is the sum of cols. 28, 30, 32, 34 and 40 and is on a harvest year basis. Section C3: this is also on a harvest year basis, and is (cols. 28+30+38+40-26).

22. Areas irrigated (column 43, C2). The irrigated area is the sum of columns 21 and 22, i.e. it includes land rented in for less than one year and multiple cropped areas. Area to which irrigation applies is the cropped area and not the basic area. i.e. it is the multiple cropped area, and not just the principal area. For horticultural crops, it should be the actual crop that is recorded, rather than the basic area.

- Horticultural crops – where a Basic Area is used:
 - The Basic Area should not have an irrigated area
 - For individual crops the irrigated area can be as much as the full multiple cropped area
- Other Crops, where Basic Area not used
 - The area irrigated includes bare land rented in for less than one year as well as the principal crop area

Note: the irrigated area in Section A solely relates to the UAA that is irrigated, whereas in Section C the area irrigated includes the multiple cropped area and areas rented in for less than one year

23. Areas organic (column 44, C2)

Record areas under organic cropping with organic status certified by an approved Certification Body for England and Wales

Integrated System: Section C2

Crop revenue and tonnage data can be entered directly or via the two automated routes identified in Section C1.

Section C2 is also used to record the analysis of costs for those farms completing Section M.

Seed, fertiliser, sprays and other crop costs, bare land hired in, glasshouse and permanent crop depreciation are all fully allocated within the working table, with Section C2 costs allocated along the same row. Water used for irrigation purposes, crop washing and other uses directly attributable to crop production should also be apportioned to individual crops when it occurs.

Costs associated with forage are shown on a separate row, and are allocated on a livestock unit basis on the "Livestock and forage" sheet.

Enterprise specific heating fuel including crop drying costs are treated as variable costs within Section M, and a working table exists that uses fuel type and cost, tonnage dried and percentage of moisture removed to estimate a drying cost. Residual electricity or other farm fuel costs are apportioned within Section M. Care need to be taken that the calculated drying costs do not exceed Section F1 and F2 costs. Additional machinery fuel (section F row 9) may need to be reallocated to Section F row 36 to ensure drying costs don't exceed actual costs.

Contract and machinery rental costs can either be directly allocated to a crop enterprise or shown as unallocated (hedge trimming etc) and the residual value is econometrically apportioned across enterprises in Section M.

. Contract costs applicable to the following year's operations can be identified, and these are then reflected in the closing valuations of contract costs. Care needs to be taken that these charges are then not included within the closing valuation of cultivations.

Horticultural marketing charges, packing materials and sundries are allocated across enterprises with total costs brought forward from Section F2.

Organic codes are recorded at column 400 using following codes:

- Conventional-left blank
- In-conversion, code 1
- Organic, 2
- Conventional & organic combined, 3

Section C3 - By-products, Forage and Cultivations**22. By-products (lines 321, 322)**

Where saleable by-products are sold or are in store at the closing valuation, they should be recorded in this section using the codes in Appendix 3. Straw purchased in the field should be valued at cost. Internal transfers of straw, or other by-products for which a market exists, should be valued at conservative market prices and shown in column 38 of Section C3 and the appropriate cost(s) in Section F (lines 21, 23, 30 or 36).

23. Forage Areas (lines 400 to 404, 407 and 415 to 417)

The areas of forage and of forage crops included in lines 400 to 404, 407 and 415 to 417 are, as appropriate, adjusted downwards by the proportion of the grazing season for which they are let to others.

24. Total Temporary Grass (line 402)

A planned short term (1-5 years) grass ley and at the time of establishment it is expected that it will have a short life span. Good examples would be intensive silage leys. These leys are more productive, but have a shorter life expectancy. If after 5 years the farmer decides to keep the ley, this would revert to permanent pasture as it is over 5 years old and consequently less productive. Therefore, a short term ley followed by another short term ley would remain as Temporary Grassland as it is more productive. Do not record in multiple cropping any successive cuts off the same area of temporary grass. Temporary grass excludes specially grown herbage seed crops which should be recorded as a principal crop in C1/C2 under crop code 104. They should only be included here when they have ceased to be harvested for seed or where the seed is essentially an unplanned or catch crop. Any hay cut from "herbage seed crops" entered under code 104 should be included under by-products code 327 (grass seed hay). Show the approximate split between temporary grass used for hay, silage and grazing in rows 425, 426 and 427 respectively.

25. FADN Temporary Grass (Line 431)

The area of temporary grass recorded here is as defined by the basic payment scheme (BPS), and is accounted for in Line 420 (Total by-products and forage). A field that has been in grass for less than five years.

26. FADN Permanent Grass (Line 432)

The area of permanent grass recorded here is as defined by the basic payment scheme (BPS,) and is accounted for in Line 420 (Total by-products and forage). A field that has been in grass for more than five years.

27. Permanent Pasture and Rough Grazing (line 403 and 404)

Land that is either in continuous grassland being established without 'improvement by seeding' for over 5 years, or land that is only reseeded when production / economics dictate that the output has dropped to such a level that the farmer decides it needs replacing and grass (including mixes) is always replaced with grass and where the reseeding is planned as a long term ley (> 5years). This would include ploughing and reseeding as well as slot seeding grass/clover to improve performance. Agricultural permanent pastures are recorded in line 403 rough grazing in sole occupation in line 404. Only the Principal crops column (col. 1) is to be completed for permanent grazing, even though there may be successive cuts for hay/silage. Show the approximate split between permanent grass used for hay, silage and grazing in rows 428, 429 and 430 respectively.

28. Fallow (line 405)

This includes rotational fallow where land is part of a crop rotation and land that has been left uncropped for a specific reason, e.g. weed control, to remedy compaction, land conditions were unsuitable for planting, crop failure resulting in land being fallow for the majority of the growing season etc. This includes bare and ploughed fallow and areas of crop failure.

29. Land Let to Others for Less than 1 Year excluding Farm Business Tenancies (lines 406 and 407)

This is **included** in the UAA and is divided into:

(a) Bare land and sales of standing cash crops - the total area of which is entered in C3 line 406, col. 21. For the farmer letting the land the revenue will be entered in Section C3 with MDC=0. (In situations where the farmer is involved with the crop production, rather than just letting the land, this should be treated as share farming and recorded in Section C2 with a type code of 6 (see para. 35).

(b) Forage including grassland, bare land used for growing forage (e.g. forage maize) and sales of standing fodder crops, the total let area of which is adjusted for the proportion of the grazing season for which it is used, is entered in line 407 col. 21.

Money received from letting land is recorded under revenue (cols. 30) or benefits in kind (col. 38) if let to the farm's labour force. Sales of standing crops to merchants are regarded as contract crops and should be entered in Section C2 with a missing data code of 2.

Where land leased out to others includes BPS entitlements it is unlikely that the elements of rent and BPS will have separate values which can easily be disaggregated in which case the area and total revenue should be recorded in the appropriate row under columns 21 and 30.

30. Turf (line 409)

The area of turf grown and any revenue from it should be recorded in line 409. If the turf is cut from temporary grass a type code of 1 should be entered; turf from permanent grass should have a type code of 2.

31. Uncropped land excluding rotational fallow and including voluntary set-aside (line 424)

Any un-cropped land apart from rotational fallow, fertility building crops and land that has been left uncropped for a specific reason, or crop failure areas (see Fallow line 405), should be entered here. This will include areas entered into Environmental Schemes. It will include 4 and 6 metre field margins but exclude two metre margins for cross compliance purposes (these are included in the crop area – see para. 15). It also includes land that is permanently not cropped, either for environmental reasons or it is uneconomic to crop the land.

32. Cultivations (Labour and Machinery only) (line 411)

Only record here the value of **labour and machinery** involved in the total cost of cultivations. This is needed to calculate the total tenant's capital. The value of cultivations entered here includes work carried out using farm labour and farm equipment; the value of cultivations carried out by contractors is included in F1, lines 75 and 76. Remaining variable costs associated with the value of growing crops, including seeds and plants sown, fertiliser and sprays that have been applied and other miscellaneous crop costs already used on growing crops are valued in Section F1, lines 27, 28, 29 and 30 as if they were still in the barn (see para. 9) Any change in the value of cultivations is entered in C3 line 411 col. 41 and carried forward to H68. When appropriate, the estimated value of cultivations on land bought or sold during the year should also be included here.

Integrated System: Cultivations and Home-grown Seed

Cultivation valuations recorded in Section C3 are based on crop areas and unit costs for the different stages of work at the year end. The cultivations calculator allows the total to be established by recording the individual crop details.

Cultivation values may also include an element of contract charges, and any costs included within the calculated cultivation valuation should be excluded from Section C3 row 411 and shown in Section F rows 75 and 76.

To assist in the allocation of valuations in Section C1 the following year, a working table exists to record any home saved seed and its value within the closing valuation for future reference. This will automatically be allocated to the correct crop the following year.

33. Land Hired from Others for Less than 1 Year (excluding Farm Business Tenancies and similar informal agreements) (lines 412 and 413)

This is only for land rented for less than 1 year. It **does not include** land rented in annually on a permanent basis. This area is excluded from the UAA (Section A, line 17). It should be divided into:

(a) Bare land used for growing cash crops - the total area of which is entered in line 412, col. 21.

The area in line 412, col. 21 should also be recorded in Section C2, divided between the appropriate crop codes with the areas entered in C2 col. 22 and MDC=1. Any areas of the same crop grown on the UAA are entered on the same line in C2 col. 21 as normal. The financial data in Section C2 cols. 28, 30, 32, 34, 40 will combine figures for the same crop whether it is grown on bare land rented for less than one year, purchased as a standing crop or grown on the UAA.

The purchase of standing cereal crops destined for normal harvesting (not for whole crop silage) should have the costs of seed, fertiliser, spray, contract, labour and rent recorded in Sections F1 and F2 as appropriate and area details recorded in C2.

(b) Forage rented for grazing under the farmer's supervision, including bare land used for growing forage and purchased standing fodder crops. The total area, adjusted for the proportion of the grazing season for which it is used, is entered in line 413, col. 21.

The area in line 413, col. 21 should be divided between the categories in lines 400 to 404, and 415 to 417 and should be entered in col. 22. Areas of forage included in the UAA are included in col. 21 as normal. The financial data in cols. 26, 28, 30, 39, 40, 41 will combine figures for forage rented for less than one year, forage purchased as a standing crop and forage included in the UAA.

The cost of renting bare land or forage for less than one year is entered in Section F2, lines 84 & 85 respectively column 2. Neither must be included in the gross rent (F2 line 48).

34. **Examples of Lettings and Rentings** (lines 406, 407, 412 and 413)

(a) A farm has 20 hectares of permanent grass and 10 hectares of temporary grass and neither rents nor lets any. In this case 20 hectares is entered in permanent grass line 403, col. 21 and 10 hectares in temporary grass line 402, col. 21.

(b) A farm has 20 hectares of permanent grass and 10 hectares of temporary grass and lets 10 hectares of the permanent grass for 2 months. The grazing season is assessed at 8 months. In this case temporary grass (line 402 col 21) = 10 hectares. Permanent grass (line 403, col. 21) = $10 + (10 \times 6/8) = 17.5$ ha, (as 10 ha are not let at all and the other 10 ha are not let for 6/8 of the season). Forage let (line 407 col. 21) = $10 \times 2/8 = 2.5$ ha, as 10 ha of permanent grass are let for 2/8 of the season.

Note: the UAA of the farm remains unchanged.

(c) A farm has 20 hectares of permanent grass and 10 hectares of temporary grass and rents a further 12 hectares of temporary grass for 5 months. The grazing season is assessed at 8 months.

In this case permanent grass (line 403 col. 21) = 20 hectares. Temporary grass (line 402 col. 21) = 10 hectares. Temporary grass rented in for 5/8 of the grazing season = $12 \times 5/8 = 7.5$ ha; 7.5 hectares is recorded at line 402, col.22 and at line 413, col. 21 (forage hired for less than one year)

Note: the UAA of the farm remains unchanged.

35. **Share Farming Agreements**

These are joint ventures between two separate farming businesses. Both the land owner and share farmer provide some managerial input, *plus* the landowner usually provides the land, buildings and fixed equipment, and the share farmer provides labour and machinery. The output and selected costs are shared in a pre-determined proportion and it is this proportion that is applied to the areas, the production and the revenue entered in the FAS 24. Wherever share farming is recorded in Section C, type code 6 should be used.

For example, a joint cropping venture might be where 100 hectares is shared 40:60 by the landowner and share farmer respectively:

In the landowner's account 40 ha is entered in C2 col. 21 (principal crops) and 60 ha in C3 line 406 col. 21 (bare land let to others for less than one year).

In the share farmer's account, 60 ha is entered in C2 col. 22 (multiple crops) and **60 ha in C3 line 412 col. 21 (bare land hired from others for less than 1 year).**

The production and revenue in Section C and the agreed costs in Section F (such as seeds, fertilisers and sprays) are shared proportionately (60:40) between the two accounts.

Where share farming agreements cover land that is un-cropped this should be entered as forage. So if 10ha of uncropped land is entered in row 424, col.22 (multiple crops) the equivalent area should also be entered in row 413 (forage hired for less than 1 year) col 21.

Another possibility is a joint livestock venture, for example, a flock of ewes on 30 ha, also shared 40% for the landowner and 60% for the share farmer. In the landowner's account 12 ha is entered in C3 line 403 col. 21 (permanent pasture and grazing - principal crops) and 18 ha in line 407 col. 21 (forage let to others for less than 1 year). In the share farmer's account 18 ha is entered in C3 line 403 col. 22 (permanent pasture and grazing - multiple crop) and 18 ha in C3 line 413 col. 21 (forage hired from others for less than 1 year). The livestock numbers and values in Section E and the relevant costs in Section F are also shared 40:60 between the two accounts.

See Appendix 20 for further details about share farming agreements and their treatment in the FBS.

4. **SECTION D - MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS**

Integrated System: Section D

Manual or automated AAP input of data in item rows 16-24 and 46-48.

Bad debts information (row 54) is brought forward from the Financial Page sheet, where bad debtors are shown within suspended debtors in Section G row 93

Profit on sale of machinery is calculated on the MCDEPN and GLASDEPN sheets which contain the full machinery and glasshouse inventories. Any profit on the loss or sale of permanent crops is entered manually

Basic Payment Scheme details are brought forward from BPS sheet.

1. **Missing Data Codes**

One of the following missing data codes must be entered for lines 16 to 85

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	No data missing
5	No data missing but zero entry
7	Revenue data refused
8	Revenue data otherwise not available

2. **Interest Received** (line 16)

Enter here the sum of any interest received from bank deposits, building societies, BPS debtors, short term loans to other people etc. on monies temporarily invested outside the farm but which are needed during the rest of the accounting year for financing the farm's business. For instance a cereal specialist selling off the field might invest the proceeds and draw on them during the next few months as bills became payable for seed, fertilisers, labour etc. It also includes interest received on share accounts in agricultural co-operatives. The opening and closing balances relating to these accounts will appear as financial assets in Section G on lines 21 (short term loans), 22 (cash at bank) or 24 (miscellaneous business assets)

Line 16 should only be completed if the data available from a farm's records seem reasonably close to the above definition, and the appropriate missing data code must be used.

Interest received on non-farm wealth, or for example on agricultural profits from earlier years' which has been put aside for payment to the Inland Revenue, should not be included in line 16. In general, interest received on deposit accounts that do not form part of the regular financial activities of the farm business should not be included here. The opening and closing balances of such accounts will not be included in Section G.

3. **Items Relating to Previous Accounting Periods** (line 17)

This includes revisions to opening valuations of crops, livestock, EU subsidy debtors and stores (i.e. where different from the closing valuation of the previous accounting year). It also includes any amounts received or paid during the year relating to previous accounting years which were not included in debtors or creditors for those accounting years. The entry in line 17 is calculated as follows:-

$$D 17 = D 20 + D 21 + D 22 + D 23 - D 24$$

The entry in line 17 excludes crop and livestock subsidy refunds and compensation for lost output, which should be recorded in lines 48 or 55 to 60 if appropriate (see para. 5).

Any receipts not included in net farm income and not included in opening debtors should be entered in Section G3 line 77 ('other receipts'). These will include the difference between any estimated subsidies received as due the previous year and the actual subsidies received (this will be a positive figure if the actual was greater than the estimate). This may also include late payments for crop bonuses that were not identified as a closing debtor in the previous financial year.

4. Detail of Items Included in Line D17 (lines 20 to 24)

Where the valuation of crops, livestock, stores, creditors or debtors has been revised since the previous year, this should be entered in the appropriate line, so that this year's account will tally with the previous year. If the value is increased the entry will be positive; if the value is decreased it will be negative. Where the entry in lines 20 to 22 is based on revisions to valuations over a period of time greater than just the previous year, then a comment must be made e.g. compensation for lead in feed during one accounting year which is not received until the following year and cannot be split between the compensation due to loss of milk revenue and that due to loss of feed, should be entered as a revision to opening debtors (line 23).

5. Subsidy refunds, compensation for lost output and other payments in previous years (lines 48 and 55 to 60).

Any compensation (including both insurance payments and disaster aid) and other payments (such as subsidies related to livestock quotas allocated late) received in the previous year, **which has not already been included in the previous year's net farm income**, should be entered in line 48 as a positive. Likewise, compensation and other payments received for lost output 2 or more years previously, which was not included in that year's net farm income, should be entered in lines 55 to 60 as a positive number. The line codes listed below should be used to enter the following data when relevant;

<u>Line Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
Line 55	Payment due in account 2 years previously
Line 56	Payment due in account 3 years previously
Line 57	Payment due in account 4 years previously
Line 58	Payment due in account 5 years previously
Line 59	Payment due in account more than 5 years previously
Line 60	Payment due 2 or more years previously, relating to more than 1 year

Entries in lines 48 and 55 to 60 should also be recorded in Section G, line 77.

Unlike D17, which is used to provide consistency (or a link) between the previous year and current year account, any entries in line 48 will be used by DEFRA to adjust the calculation of net farm income in the previous year (to put subsidies on an 'as due' basis). DEFRA will also be looking into the possibility of adjusting net farm income for years 2 or more years previously, using entries given in lines 55 to 60, if necessary.

6. Bad Debts (line 54)

Bad debts are those debts the farmer is doubtful will ever receive any payment for. The opening value of bad debts are entered in D(54)[1] and G(93)[1]. If any payment for bad debts is received, this should be entered in D(54)[3] and the cash in bank entered in Section G(22)[2] or wherever is appropriate. If the farmer decides the bad debt will definitely never be repaid, then it is written off; the value of bad debt written off is entered in D(54)[5]. The closing value of bad debts as entered in D(54)[2] and G(93)[2] is calculated as: opening valuation - revenue received – write-offs.

Notice that if the farmer receives payment for a bad debt he wrote off in a previous accounting period, then this is entered as a negative number in the write off cell (D(54)[5]). This revenue should also be entered in G(22).

Some worked examples are included at Appendix 10.

Where a large sum is involved, and where a significant delay is expected before the matter is fully resolved, it may be appropriate to make provision for part of the expected loss in advance of the settlement date.

Where a bad debt is incurred not from insolvency but through fraud, there may be no final settlement. The debt will have to be written-off eventually; it is up to the farmer and Research Officer to decide when.

7. Revision to EU subsidy debtors (Line 85)

For recording EU subsidies only and particularly applies to any adjustments made to the Basic Payment Scheme closing debtors. Any difference between the estimated payment of EU subsidy in the previous year and the actual amount received in the current year should be recorded in line 85. This value will also be included in line 23 and subsequently form part of the total in line 17. Also record here any repayments made relating to the Basic Payment scheme for previous years.

8. Profit on Sale of Machinery, Glasshouses and Permanent Crops. (lines 70 to 72)

Record here any profit or loss realised on the sale of machinery, glasshouses or permanent crops. The profit or loss is the difference between the depreciated value of the asset at the opening valuation and the sale value if the asset is sold during the same year. These data are not included separately in the calculation of net farm income as they are embedded within the depreciation calculation in section F, lines 7, 10 and 11 above.

9. Entitlements to Basic Payment Scheme (lines 90 to 93)

This relate to the number of entitlements under the farmer's control.

Record here the number of Basic Payment Scheme entitlements within each category at the beginning and end of the accounting year. The trading of entitlements should be recorded in the year transactions take place together with a record of any entitlements leased in or out.

The value of entitlements and financial details for any trading will be recorded in Section G, S and I. The closing valuations of entitlements are based on the monies received for the different types of entitlement in the current year and their discounted future returns, using calculations supplied by Defra.

The purchase, sale or award of entitlements are calculated within the BPS worksheet and detailed in Section D.

Where the number of entitlements changes during the year with no financial transaction, this should be recorded as a purchase or sale in Section D (columns 5 & 6), so that the closing number of entitlements eligible for use can be recorded. Examples could be:

- **Losing entitlements that have not been used/activated in accordance with Rural Payment Agency (RPA) rules**
- **Taking on new tenancies that include BPS entitlements in order for the farm to claim BPS**
- **Giving up existing tenancies that include BPS entitlements**

Missing data codes (MDC): Section D2

For rows 90 to 93 complete the MDC column using the codes in the table below.

Code	Description
1	Actual data
2	Number of Entitlements estimated

10. Revision of BPS data for 2018/19 (lines 94 to 98)

Where money is received in the current year relating to the previous year's BPS claim (excluding financial discipline), is different to the closing debtor recorded in the previous year, the full amount should be recorded here.

Where this is the case the actual data submitted in **2018/19** will be shown in columns 1 & 2. The revised **2018/19** data should be recorded in columns 3 & 4.

The difference should be recorded in line 85 (Difference in EU subsidy debtors) and in Section G, line 77 (Other receipts).

5. **SECTION E – LIVESTOCK**

General

All entries in Section E should exclude any output from value-added activities, for example milk bottling and retailing, milk processing (including cheese , yoghurt and ice cream making) and meat processing and retailing (see instruction on Sections I for further details). Value-added activities are classified as non-farming activities and should be recorded in Sections I. However, as from 2015/16, where activities are undertaken to add value to home produced livestock the value of these products should be recorded in Column 60 at E1 and E2 to enable their gross value to be determined in Section I.

Integrated System: Section E

Opening valuations are brought forward from last year where available. Purchases and sales data are entered by manual entry or automated Accounts Analysis Programme links, and closing valuations by manual data entry. Transfers between dairy heifers transferred out and dairy cows transferred in are automatically linked with the same number and value, as are dairy calves transferring to other cattle under one year. Ewe lambs and gilts in pig also have linked transfers, but transfers of males to bulls are not linked as the ages of transfer may vary.

There are three working tables which produce entries for the core data:

a) Milk for home consumption, wages in kind and fed to livestock is calculated by entering the hectolitres used in spreadsheet cells P44:P47 and values are calculated based on the average milk price received. A similar exercise calculated the values for home consumption and wages in kind of eggs.

b) Sales of other sheep over 1 year are made up of a combination of lowland and upland ewes, rams and other sheep. Enter data into the working table Section E2 V73: W76 and the totals are linked to Section E2 item row 35 item columns 11 & 12.

If this working table is not used ram and ewe sales details will not be included within the BLSA and depreciation calculations.

c) BLSA, depreciation and average livestock numbers are calculated on working tables and linked back to Sections E1 and E2.

Section E1/E2 also calculates the grazing livestock units for each class of stock for Section M, based on average numbers and coefficients. Spreadsheet columns AB in Section E1 and AE in Section E2 allow for average numbers within section E to be adjusted in Section M according to use or non-use of forage. For example bull beef or intensive indoor lamb finishing may involve no forage area, so reducing the average numbers reflects a better apportionment of forage. Equally outdoor pigs or poultry may warrant a share of forage costs. For pigs and poultry, it is not the average number which is carried forward to section M, but a fraction to illustrate a percentage share of the forage, with the default that no forage will be allocated. For poultry other than laying hens, the throughput is calculated (col AA, row 39 to 46) and transferred to section M via the livestock and forage worksheet. This is to accommodate a number of batches during the year and allows the gross and net margin to be calculated on a **bird** rather than **per bird place** basis.

Integrated System: Section E

There are a number of references tables at the foot of sheet. One calculates the average values per head of valuations, purchases and sales. Another shows BLSA and depreciation per head, and there is a simple livestock reconciliation for each class of stock.

Definitions of the Columns

1. Enterprise Code (col. 1)

The codes to be used are set out in Appendix 4.

2. Production During Accounting Period (col. 2)

The following should be recorded in this column: production on the farm of milk in hectolitres (line 1), milk products in hectolitres of milk equivalent (line 2) (see Appendix 5 for conversion factors), wool production in kilograms (line 36) and eggs in dozen (line 53).

3. Opening Valuation (cols. 3 and 4)

Livestock whether for breeding, production or sale are to be valued in their present condition at the current market value, based on a conservative valuation, less the cost of marketing (i.e. the ex-farm sale price). The current market value should reflect the level and trend of recent prices rather than any temporary fluctuations of the market (e.g. due to weather conditions). It should also reflect any improvement (or deterioration) in the quality of livestock on the farm.

In exceptional cases the opening valuation may be adjusted so that the differences between it and the closing valuation reflect more accurately the change in market price which occurred during those 12 months. Where this happens the opening valuation will of course be different from the closing valuation of the previous year and the difference should be recorded at D21.

4. Purchases (cols. 5 and 6)

Purchases of livestock and livestock products bought for resale should be recorded at gross cost, before deduction of any purchase grants, which should be included under "grants and subsidies" (lines 37 col. 12). Purchases should be net of any discounts. Where animals are exchanged with or without a cash adjustment, the estimated gross cost should be entered.

When young stock are purchased with their dam in one transaction, e.g. calves at foot, the separate value of each may be difficult to estimate. In such cases the value of the young stock should be estimated separately from the value of the dam, in order that both the number of calves at foot and number of dams can be entered in column 5 for the relevant line numbers - thus providing the full picture to help scrutinise the validity of the physical numbers of the enterprise. Where there are separate transactions for young stock, they should be entered in the normal way on the appropriate line with care being taken that there is no double entry.

Data on purchases of lowland ewes and shearlings are to be recorded separately from purchases of LFA ewes and shearlings. Lowland purchases are entered in line 29 cols. 5 and 6, and total LFA purchases on line 75 cols. 5 and 6.

5. Transfers In (cols. 7 and 8) and Transfers Out (cols. 13 and 14)

For each transfer, 4 boxes must be completed - a transfer out of one category and into another category, with a number and value for each. Overall transfers-in must equal overall transfers-out, in terms of both the number and value of livestock.

Transfers of animals between the beef and the dairy enterprise should be recorded with care so that the dairy enterprise is not subsidised at the expense of the rearing enterprise or vice versa.

Transfers of animals within an enterprise should be recorded only if the transfer is in to the breeding stock. The category from which the breeding animals have come from should record the appropriate transfer out. These data may then be used to calculate BLSA and depreciation. It is not necessary to record cull breeding stock as a transfer- out apart from cull ewes which may under certain circumstances be transferred into other sheep.

The following transfers should be recorded:

- (a) All calves produced by the dairy herd must be either sold or transferred out from "dairy calves" (line 5 cols. 13 and 14) into "other cattle under 1 year" (line 21 cols. 7 and 8) at 10 to 14 days of age.

- (b) At calving, "dairy heifers in calf" are transferred out of the "Other Cattle" section (line 13 cols. 13 and 14) and into the dairy herd as "dairy cows" (line 4 cols. 7 and 8). Similarly, "beef heifers in calf" are transferred out of line 14 (cols. 13 and 14) into "beef cows" (line 74, cols. 7 and 8).
- (c) Dairy cows" may be transferred out of the dairy herd (line 4 cols. 13 and 14) to become "beef cows" (line 74 cols. 7 and 8) in order to rear calves.
- (d) "Beef cows" may be transferred out of the beef herd (line 74, cols. 13 and 14) to become "dairy cows" (line 4, cols. 7 and 8).
- (e) Bull calves being reared for breeding may be transferred out of "other cattle under 1 year" (line 21 cols. 13 and 14) or "other cattle 1 to 2 years" (line 18 cols 13 and 14) and into "dairy breeding bulls" (line 3 cols. 7 and 8) or "beef breeding bulls" (line 10 cols. 7 and 8).
- (f) Bulls may be transferred out of the beef herd (line 10 cols. 13 and 14) and into the dairy herd (line 3 cols. 7 and 8), or from the dairy herd (line 3 cols. 13 and 14) into the beef herd (line 10 cols. 7 and 8).
- (g) Female sheep entering the breeding flock should be transferred out of "ewe hogs" (line 32 cols. 13 and 14) and into "ewes and shearlings one year and over" (lines 29 and 75 cols. 7 and 8). Cull ewes should be transferred out of "ewes and shearlings" (lines 75 and 29, cols 13 and 14) into "other sheep" (line 35, cols 7 and 8); the transfer value of cull ewes should be at a suitable transfer value which may be the sale price if they are to be sold immediately.
- (h) Cull rams should be transferred out of "rams and ram hogs" (line 28, cols. 13 and 14) into "other sheep" (line 35, cols. 7 and 8); the transfer value of cull rams should be at the sale price
- (i) Male lambs may be transferred out of "store lambs" (line 34 cols. 13 and 14) into the breeding herd "Rams and ram hogs" (line 28 cols. 7 and 8). Transfers of lambs from "store lambs" (line 34 cols 13 and 14) to Ewes and shearlings (lines 29 or 75 cols. 7 and 8) may also be recorded
- (j) Pregnant pigs should be transferred from "gilts in pig" (line 50 cols 13 and 14) to breeding sows (line 43 cols. 7 and 8).
- (k) Store pigs (line 46 cols. 13 and 14) may be transferred into Boars (line 42 cols. 7 and 8). In certain circumstances a store pig may be transferred into breeding sows (line 43 cols. 7 and 8).
- (l) Horses for breeding (line 84, cols 13 and 14) may be transferred into other horses (line 85, cols 7 and 8)
- (m) Breeding female goats (line 69, cols 13 and 14) may be transferred into other goats (line 71, cols 7 and 8) and other goats may be transferred into breeding female goats.

6. Closing Valuation (cols. 9 and 10)

Trading animals or non-mature breeding animals (see definition below) should be valued as indicated under opening valuation (see paragraph 3 above) using the best estimates of the farmer and the Research Officer (RO).

It is particularly important to arrive at as accurate as possible an estimate of the closing valuation of mature breeding livestock (see below) as this will affect the accuracy of both the herd/flock depreciation and breeding livestock stock appreciation.

Normally the values used per head in the closing valuations should be the best estimates of the farmer and the RO. In this case, BLSA and the implied depreciation should be calculated as detailed in Appendix 7. If the depreciation estimate is not credible, the closing valuation and BLSA should be re-examined.

Where estimates of the closing valuation are not available for mature breeding livestock, the closing value should be estimated as illustrated in the examples mentioned below (also see: Appendix 6 and Appendix 7 for greater detail). **It is emphasised that the methods used in the examples are given for illustrative purposes only and should be used for guidance rather than as a set of hard and fast rules.**

The examples shown in Appendix 6 cover the following four scenarios:

- Example 1: No significant change in size or quality of herd during year.
- Example 2: Significant increase in size of herd.
- Example 3: Significant decrease in size of herd.
- Example 4: Significant change in quality and size of herd increasing

Mature breeding livestock are defined as female animals that have given birth and males that have been used for service. They are recorded in lines 3 (breeding bulls for the dairy herd), 4 (dairy cows), 10 (breeding bulls for the beef herd), 74 (LFA beef cows), 12 (lowland beef cows), 28 (rams and ram hogs), 75 (LFA ewes and shearlings), 29 (lowland ewes and shearlings), 42 (breeding boars), 43 (breeding sows including gilts that have farrowed) 84 (horses for breeding) and 69 (breeding female goats). Some of these lines will contain some immature breeding animals (e.g. line 29 will include some ewes and shearlings, one year and over, which have not given birth (see references to Appendix 7 below).

Depreciation and breeding livestock stock appreciation (BLSA) are elements in arriving at a calculated closing valuation for mature breeding animals. Only mature breeding animals are assumed to depreciate, therefore the deduction of BLSA from the value of livestock output is relevant only to livestock of this category.

Centres may use Appendix 7 as a basis of a worksheet for depreciation and BLSA calculations. If desired, Centres may elaborate on the method indicated. They may also wish to apply the method to homogenous groups of animals, and then aggregate the results, rather than apply it to the herd/flock as a whole. **Only the final results need be sent to Defra on the FAS 24 (after combining the closing valuation for mature and immature animals relevant to the same line of the FAS 24).**

In understanding the construction of closing valuations for mature breeding livestock, it may be helpful to envisage a herd structure although it is not necessary to know the structure of the herd in order to apply the method. The examples are based on the following structure.

Cows	Value per head	Total value
15	1,160	17,400
15	1,080	16,200
15	1,000	15,000
15	920	13,800
15	840	12,600
75	(1,000)	75,000

The method of constructing closing valuations requires an estimate to be made of the average depreciation per head for mature breeding animals purchased during the year. This is given by the difference between the average purchase/transfer price and the average disposal value, divided by the average number of years an animal is in the herd / flock.

If the average purchase price is £1,500 per head and the average disposal value is £750, then the depreciation over an animal's life in the herd is £750. If the herd has 75 cows and typically 15 are replaced each year, then the average herd life is $75/15 = 5$ years. The average depreciation per head per year is $750/5 = £150$. The depreciation on newly purchased animals may well be less than this because these animals are only in the herd for part of the year; for example, where animals are purchased half way through the year, half a year's depreciation is deducted from the purchase price. However, depreciation will be greater if the purchase price includes a premium, e.g. for pedigree animals, that is not justified by their economic potential. **It should be noted that in calculating depreciation (and closing valuations and BLSA) of mature breeding animals the value of any calf should be excluded throughout.** Hence where a down-calving heifer is purchased, or transferred into the herd, at £1,275 and the calf is sold for £85, the starting point for estimating depreciation, would be £1,180.

7. Revenue (cols. 11 and 12)

Revenue should be recorded gross of costs and other deductions that are invoiced as contra expenditure on sales vouchers/invoices, e.g. commission on sales, haulage, levy payments, other services and capital contributions.

Revenue resulting from a value added activity, e.g. retailing or processing, should be netted off and recorded in Section I. For example; if a dairy farm is processing some of its' own milk for sale as ice cream, the quantity of milk used for ice cream manufacture in the year should be included in line 2, col. 11, and it should be valued at the price the farmer would have received for that milk had it been sold as wholesale untreated milk to his usual wholesale milk buyer (line 2, col. 12). The margin (i.e. the difference between the sale value of the ice cream and the wholesale value of the milk recorded on line 2, col. 12) is recorded as output in Section I; the costs associated with manufacture will also be recorded in Section I. Similarly, on a farm that has some lambs slaughtered for retail sale through (for example) an on farm butcher shop, the lambs that were slaughtered should be valued at the price the farmer would have received had they been sold through the farm's usual livestock market or wholesale marketing channel, the number of lambs and the wholesale value are included on line 33, cols. 11 and 12. The margin (i.e. the difference between the retail sales of meat and the wholesale value of the lambs slaughtered) is recorded as output in Section I, together with any costs associated with slaughter, marketing and retailing.

Revenue includes the value of all livestock (including casualties but not deaths) and livestock products sold (including any re-sales), compensation and insurance claims (for lost output in the current year).

Compensation payments received in the current year for lost output in the previous year not already included in the previous year's net farm income as a debtor should be recorded in D line 48, whether or not they can be allocated to a particular livestock category. Compensation payments received in the current year for lost output more than one year ago should be entered in D lines 55 to 60, if not already included in that year's net farm income. In all cases the figures must be adjusted for debtors.

Producer-retailer levies should not be deducted from milk sales except as a last resort.

Payments received, with the number of animals, under the Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE) Order should be recorded here. If the documentation is insufficient, a judgement will be required to allocate the receipts to the appropriate lines. For instance it may be difficult to divide receipts between the dairy and beef enterprises on mixed farms. The number of animals culled under this scheme and the payments received should also be recorded on the appropriate line in Section S.

TB disease compensation paid out by Defra should be entered in the appropriate animal line in Section E and the TB line in Section S (line 86). Payments relating to animals culled out in the current year only should be entered here.

Insurance payments received when farmers have animals infected by TB should also be recorded in Section E, but not in Section S. Insurance payments designed to 'top- up' the payment issued by Defra should be entered in the relevant animal line along with the money paid out by Defra. Insurance payments to compensate farmers for consequential losses arising when TB infected animals are culled should be entered in "disease compensation" (lines 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 and 82), column 12. Insurance pay outs relating to animals culled in the current year only should be entered i.e. insurance compensation payments are treated on an as due basis.

The number of casualties, but not deaths, should be included in col. 11 and the realised value, even if minimal, in col. 12. Animals which die should **not** be included in columns 11 or 12 but, as for casualties, they should be included in the average numbers (col. 18) for that part of the year when they were alive.

Animals that are euthanased (e.g. dairy bull calves) at birth should be recorded under revenue, col. 11 with a zero monetary value in col. 12. As the farmer has made an active decision to euthanase the animal, it is not a death

Line 75 cols. 11 and 12 allow for the separate recording of revenue for lowland ewes (line 29) and LFA ewes (line 75).

8. Deaths (col 25)

Still-born animals and those dying within the first few days of life should be included here.

This **excludes** animals' euthanised at birth that have no monetary value

9. Transfers Out (cols. 13 and 14).

See para. 5.

10. Farmhouse Consumption and Benefits in Kind (col. 15)

These are to be valued at ex-farm prices (e.g. the pool price for milk) and comprise:

(a) Own Consumption. Produce (mainly milk, poultry and eggs) consumed by the farmer and family members, together with gifts to visitors, labour etc. If produce is paid for, it should be entered under revenue (col. 12).

(b) Wages in Kind. Produce supplied to employees in return for work. An equivalent sum will also appear in both Sections B and F under labour costs.

Where milk is obtained from a beef herd for consumption by either the farmhouse or labour force, the estimated value should be included under beef cows (line 74 col. 15) rather than whole milk (line 1 col. 15).

11. Used on Farm (col. 16)

Record here the estimated ex-farm value of milk and milk products fed to livestock. This excludes suckled milk and, where it cannot be measured, milk fed from a bucket etc. Milk used for livestock feed should be valued at wholesale price if under quota, and at a lower rate to reflect its feed value if over quota, i.e. the cost of milk substitute.

12. Breeding Livestock Stock Appreciation (BLSA) (col. 19)

BLSA should be estimated on mature breeding animals (female animals that have given birth and males that have been used for service) only, and entered in Section E col. 19 lines 3, 4, 7, 10, 74, 23, 28, 75, 29, 38, 42, 43, 49, 69, 70 & 84. Some of these lines will contain some immature breeding animals (e.g. line 29 will include some ewes and shearlings, one year and over, which have not given birth); BLSA should be estimated for the mature breeding animals only (see para. 6).

BLSA is also used in the estimation of closing values of mature breeding livestock.

As the information required to calculate BLSA (and depreciation and closing valuation) relates to animals which will not normally be separately identified on the FAS 24, Centres may use Appendix 7 as a basis of a worksheet for the calculations. Only the final results need be sent to Defra (on the FAS 24).

For each type of mature breeding livestock, BLSA should ideally be calculated as:

$$BLSA = R * [OV + T1 * PV - (1-T2)*OS]$$

Where OV = opening valuation, PV = value of purchases and transfers in, OS = opening value of animals sold (including casualties) or transferred out. **Note that in calculating BLSA all transfers in or out of the particular category of mature livestock have to be taken into account; not just those between the dairy and beef herds recorded on the FAS 24.**

T1 is the proportion of the year that purchased animals were on the farm on average, and T2 is the proportion of the year that animals sold were on the farm on average. R (the revaluation factor) is the factor change in price over the year for the type of animal.

Often OS will not be known and it will be necessary to substitute the value at the time of sale (including casualties) (SV). Where the rate of depreciation between the opening of the year and the time of sales is equal to the increase in prices, OS = SV. Where this is clearly not the case e.g. if prices fall or if a significant number of animals die, it would improve the estimate of BLSA if OS could be at least roughly estimated by adding back the approximate estimates of the depreciation which occurred between the start of the year and the point of sale and taking off a corresponding approximate estimate BLSA.

T1 and T2 = 0.5 if purchases and sales occur on average in mid-year. A guide to national re-valuation increments (R) is given at Appendix 7. Those actually used should reflect any local deviations from the national price trends.

Appendix 6 shows the calculation of BLSA for four different scenarios. It has been used as the basis of the working sheet in the spreadsheet version of the FAS24.

Integrated System: Breeding Livestock Stock Appreciation (BLSA) and Breeding Livestock Depreciation

Automated process of the methodology detailed in Appendix 7 for mature breeding stock:

Details of livestock numbers and values are brought forward from Section E1 and E2.

The values in cells can be altered to reflect farm circumstances, i.e. T values in columns H and T.

The R values used within the calculations are based on the change in average valuations of the breeding stock within that particular farm. That value can be overwritten to express a general Centre figure, Defra R values shown in Appendix 7, or a figure relevant for that farm and enterprise.

Great care is needed when the number of breeding animals is low, or there is a marked change in the quality of the stock due to a large number of purchases or sales of animals, or change in the quality of stock e.g. a farm with a single bull which has an opening value of £600 which is sold, and replaced by another for £1200, would by calculation have an R value of 100%, generating a large BLSA and depreciation, which would be incorrect as the animals are different. The R value of zero however would give no BLSA and the depreciation would be the difference between the opening valuation and sale of the original bull, and purchase price and closing valuation of the replacement, a far more realistic BLSA and depreciation.

13. Enterprise Output (excl. BLSA and depreciation) (col. 20)

Enterprise output, excluding BLSA and net of herd/flock depreciation, should be recorded in col. 20. Enterprise output should be recorded for broad livestock enterprises on lines 7(dairy), 23 (other cattle), 27 (total cattle), 38 (sheep), 49 (pigs), and 62 (poultry). It should also be recorded in lines 66, 67, 69, 71, 84 and 85. It is defined as gross output (sales less purchases, plus closing valuation less opening valuation) adjusted for transfers in and out minus BLSA.

Data on depreciation is required on the FAS 24 to provide the Department with an approximate credibility check on the relationship between the calculated values of closing valuation, depreciation and BLSA. Centres can check the credibility of the estimate of depreciation by calculating depreciation per animal as shown at the bottom of Appendix 7, Sheet 2, and by reference to the calculated figures in the BLSA working sheet.

When calculated, depreciation should be recorded for all mature breeding livestock in lines 3, 4, 10, 74, 28, 29, 75, 42 and 43. Some of these lines will contain some immature breeding animals (e.g. line 29 will include some ewes and shearlings, one year and over, which have not given birth). Depreciation should be estimated for the mature breeding animals only. A box is provided to indicate if the depreciation figure is positive or negative. It would, however, normally be expected to be **negative**.

Depreciation is defined for mature breeding animals as:

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{(closing valuation, plus sales, plus transfers out)} \\ \text{minus} \\ \text{(opening valuation, plus purchases, plus transfers-in)} \\ \text{minus} \\ \text{BLSA} \end{array}$$

Depreciation, BLSA and the closing valuation have to be calculated separately from the FAS 24 because all mature animals will not normally be separately identifiable on the FAS 24. Appendix 6 can be used in checking their plausibility; this is assisted by the inclusion of the BLSA working sheet in the spreadsheet version of the FAS24. .

14. Average Livestock Numbers (col. 18)

This data is used to calculate the Standard Outputs (SOs) attributable to livestock on each farm and the farm's stocking density. The SO values relate to the presence of animals on the holding for a whole year, and so it is the average number over the whole year that is required. This can be calculated by adding up the population in each month of the year and dividing by 12 (or in each quarter and dividing by 4). For animals whose production cycle is usually less than a year, some of the monthly totals may be zero, as in the example of turkey rearing below:

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total	Average
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	400	400	1200	100

Numbers should be given to one decimal place, except for poultry where whole numbers only should be recorded.

Integrated System: Calculation of average livestock numbers

Average numbers are calculated on a monthly basis, based on purchases, transfers, sales, deaths and home consumption each month.

Animal category details are shown where available, and the total number of animals being transferred in should equal those transferred out.

Details of transfers in and out are shown near the top of each sheet.

Ewe average numbers need allocating within the sheet to identify LFA/non LFA ewes.

If stock moving to or from the holding on agistment were shown as transfers in or out within the average number calculations, then there is no need to enter details in Section E1/E2 column 21.

Please refer to point 66 in Section E instructions

Definitions of the Livestock Categories and other Rows

Section E1

Dairy Enterprise (lines 01 to 08, 77 and 87)

15. Whole Milk (line 1)

This covers all liquid cows' milk whether sold by wholesaler or retailer producers, consumed by the farmer or farm workers or used on the farm (e.g. for feeding calves), but excludes direct suckled milk. Production is to be recorded to the nearest hectolitre (100 litres). The quantity and value of sales (cols. 11 and 12) should be shown before deduction of any r levies. Any milk production bonus should be entered in col. 12. The gross profit obtained through the resale of either purchased milk or purchased milk products should be entered in Section I, line 130 rather than here. If for any reason milk is discarded (for example when severe weather conditions make collection impossible) the volume of such milk should be included in column 2 but excluded from column 11. No assessment of the value should be included in column 12.

For some farmers supplying milk a contra charge may be made and deducted from the milk statement in respect of a "capital contribution".

The purpose of the capital contribution is to enable milk buyers who levy this charge, to invest in milk processing capacity. These contributions remain in the name of the farmer and may be withdrawn by the farmer at any time in the future.

The sale value of milk should **not** be reduced by the value of these contributions (i.e. the value of milk sales should be recorded **before** the deduction of the capital contribution).

Deductions for capital contributions should **not** be recorded as a cost to the farm account, instead they should be recorded as a "miscellaneous business asset" in the balance sheet (Section G, line 24). The value of this "investment" will be carried forward from one year to the next, accumulating annually as more contributions are made by the farmer and reduced as any withdrawals are made. Any interest payments made to the farmer by the milk buyer will be recorded in Section D (line 16) as interest received.

16. Milk Products (line 2)

Covers farm production of cheese, cream, butter etc. Production is recorded in hectolitres of whole milk equivalent (conversion factors are shown in Appendix 5). The value added element associated with such production should be netted off (see para. 7, revenue). The value entered here should be the price the farmer would have received for that milk had it been sold as wholesale untreated milk to his usual wholesale milk buyer. The margin (i.e. the difference between the sale value of the processed product and the wholesale value of the milk recorded on line 2 col.12) is recorded as output in Section I; the costs associated with processing will also be recorded in Section I .

17. Breeding Bulls for Use with the Dairy Herd (one year and over) (line 3)

Includes all bulls; beef as well as dairy bulls, used or destined mainly for service on the dairy herd. It excludes bulls being fattened for slaughter as a policy (entered in line 15), but includes cull breeding bulls sold for slaughter.

18. Dairy Cows (line 4)

Includes heifers in milk, down-calving heifers and cows, as well as barren, fat and cull dairy cows. It excludes cows used primarily for suckling calves.

19. Dairy Calves (line 5)

All calves produced from the dairy herd whether pure or cross- bred. Only sales and/or transfers out of the dairy herd will appear here. Any purchases, opening or closing valuations will be recorded in "other cattle under 1 year" (lines 20 and 21).

Animals that are euthanased (e.g. dairy bull calves) at birth should be recorded under revenue, col. 11 with a zero monetary value in col. 12. As the farmer has made an active decision to euthanase the animal, it is not a death.

20. Disease Compensation and Insurance Receipts for Consequential Losses (line 77)

Insurance receipts for consequential loss should be recorded here. TB compensation payments from Defra should not be recorded here but in columns 11 and 12 (revenue) on the line appropriate to the livestock for which the payment was made; these payments are also to be entered in Section S, line 86. In the case of TB payments from insurance companies these may be 'top-up only' (likely to be the more common situation) or 'top-up plus consequential loss'. In the former case, the payments should be treated as additional revenue for the animals lost and recorded in Section E on the appropriate line along with the Defra payment (E12). Where the farm has been insured for the optional consequential loss, the total payment received will include both top-up and consequential loss elements. ROs should split out the approximate value of the latter and record it here, the remainder should be treated as sale revenue along with the Defra payment. No insurance payments associated with TB whether "top-up" or for consequential loss, should be recorded in Section S.

21. Miscellaneous revenue from the dairy enterprise (line 87)

Enter here all revenue associated with the dairy herd not already entered. This may include such items as semen and eggs, show prizes or incidental sales of manure.

Other Cattle Enterprise (lines 10, 12 to 21, 23, 74, 78 and 88)**22. Breeding Bulls for Use with the Beef Herd - one year and over (line 10)**

All bulls used or destined mainly for service on the beef herd. It includes cull beef bulls sold for slaughter, and bulls over one year being reared for sale as service animals, i.e. not for home farm use. It excludes bulls being fattened for slaughter as a policy (entered at line 15).

23. Beef Cows (lines 12 and 74)

Includes barren, fat and cull beef cows. Beef cows should be separated in to LFA and lowland. Animals are deemed to be LFA animals if they spend more than 50% of their time on LFA land. In some cases there may be both LFA and lowland beef cows recorded on the same farm.

24. Heifers in Calf - Rearing (lines 13 and 14)

Includes all in-calf heifers; up to the point of calving. The split between dairy and beef should be based on the same criteria as for dairy cows (line 4) or beef cows (lines 12 or 74).

25. Fat Cattle Excluding Veal Calves (line 15)

All finished cattle, including bull beef, sold for slaughter, except for cull cows, cull bulls and all calves sent for slaughter. Further analysis of fat cattle sales required by age and sex for FADN to include sale destination.

26. Other Cattle 2 Years and Over (lines 16 and 17)

Male, excluding bulls (line 16) - includes all bullocks being reared or fattened but excludes bulls in service or being reared for service which are included in either line 3 or 10.

Female (line 17) - includes all females being reared or fattened, except those in calf (lines 13 and 14).

27. Other Cattle 1 to 2 Years (lines 18 and 19)

Includes all male animals 1 to 2 years old being reared or fattened, except those being reared for service. Female (line 19) - covers all female animals being reared for beef or for dairy/beef herd replacements, but excludes those in calf (lines 13 and 14).

28. Other Cattle Under 1 Year (lines 20 and 21)

For slaughter as calves (line 20); include all veal calves. Note that bobby calves (newly born and removed from their mothers within 10 to 14 days) etc. and sent for slaughter should be recorded in line 5 (dairy calves)

Other cattle and bull calves (line 21); covers all male and female cattle, except veal calves for slaughter. It includes calves sold at auction but not expected to be sent for immediate slaughter as veal calves

29. Disease Compensation and Insurance Receipts for Consequential Losses (line 78)

Insurance receipts for consequential loss should be recorded here. TB compensation payments from Defra should not be recorded here but in columns 11 and 12 (revenue) **on the line appropriate to the livestock for which the payment was made**; these payments are also to be entered in Section S, line 86. In the case of TB payments from insurance companies these may be 'top-up only' (likely to be the more common situation) or 'top-up plus consequential loss'. In the former case, the payments should be treated as additional revenue for the animals lost and recorded in Section E on the appropriate line along with the Defra payment. Where the farm has been insured for the optional consequential loss, the total payment received will include both top-up and consequential loss elements. ROs should split out the approximate value of the latter and record it here, the remainder should be treated as sale revenue along with the Defra payment. No insurance payments associated with TB whether "top-up" or for consequential loss, should be recorded in Section S.

TB compensation should be recorded in the appropriate livestock line, not under Fat Cattle, and in the 'sales data sheet' they should be recorded as 'Slaughtered' in the appropriate cattle line.

30. Miscellaneous revenue from other cattle enterprises (line 88)

Enter here all revenue associated with other cattle enterprises not already entered. This may include such items as semen and eggs, show prizes or incidental sales of manure.

Split of Section E1

Note that the sub-division of Section E1 ("Other Cattle") into breeding and rearing is only required for farms where the Gross and Net Margin module is being completed. As such it does not form part of the core FAS24 record and the instructions for the splitting of Section E1 are included in the instructions for Module M.

Section E2**Sheep** (lines 28, 29, 32 to 38, 75, 79 and 89)**31. Rams and Ram Hoggs** (line 28)

Covers all rams and ram hoggs aged 6 months and over to be used for service. It includes rams sold for further breeding, Note that when cull rams are sold they should be transferred from line 28 (cols. 13 and 14) to "other sheep" (line 35, cols. 7 and 8) at their sale value and then recorded as sales in line 35, cols. 11 and 12. These transfers within Section E2 are important as they have implications for the calculation of BLSA and flock depreciation.

32. Ewes and Shearlings (lines 29 and 75)

Covers all female sheep 1 year and over in the breeding flock. Ewes and shearlings (one year and over) should be separated into LFA and lowland. Animals are deemed to be LFA if they spend more than 50% of their time on LFA land. Note that in some cases there may be LFA and lowland ewes recorded on the same farm. It includes draft ewes, but excludes cull ewes which are entered in other sheep (line 35). Note that when cull ewes are sold they should be transferred from line 29 or 75 (cols. 13 and 14) to "other sheep" (line 35, cols. 7 and 8) at their sale value and then recorded as sales in line 35, cols. 11 and 12. These transfers within Section E2 are important as they have implications for the calculation of BLSA and flock depreciation.

33. Ewe Hoggs (line 32)

Female sheep aged between 6 months and 1 year old to be used for breeding.

34. Fat Lambs and Hoggets (line 33)

Record here sales of all fat sheep under 1 year.

35. Store Lambs (line 34)

All ewe and wether (castrated male) lambs under 1 year sold or purchased for further rearing and fattening. This will include all lambs on the farms at opening and closing valuation. The annual average number should be calculated taking account of the total time the lambs are on the farm up to the point of sale, including the period between birth and weaning. Lightweight lambs being exported as fat lambs should also be recorded here.

36. Other Sheep 1 Year and Over (line 35)

All other sheep over 1 year not included elsewhere. Note that sales of cull rams and cull ewes sent for slaughter are recorded on this line after being transferred from lines 28, 29 and 75; these transfers within Section E2 are important as they have implications for the calculation of BLSA and flock depreciation (see paras. 30 and 31).

37. Wool (line 36)

Sales of clip wool only, recorded to the nearest kilo.

38. Disease Compensation and Insurance Receipts for Consequential Losses (line 79)

All disease compensation payments should be recorded here.

39. Miscellaneous revenue from sheep enterprise (line 89)

Enter here all sales associated with the sheep enterprise not already entered. This will include sales of sheep milk from milking flocks as well as any sales of semen, eggs or manure. Show prize money should also be entered here.

Pigs (lines 42 to 47, 49, 50, 51, 80, 83 and 90)

40. Boars (line 42)

Covers all male animals being used for service with the breeding herd but excludes those being reared for breeding but not yet in service (line 46). It includes boars sent for slaughter.

41. Breeding Sows (line 43)

All sows in the breeding herd (including gilts which have farrowed and sows destined to be culled). Cull sows are transferred out at line 43, columns 13 & 14 and transferred in at line 44 columns 7 & 8.

42. Sows for Slaughter (line 44)

Cull sows for slaughter. Cull sows are transferred in [columns 7 & 8 from the breeding herd [line 43] and sales are recorded at columns 11 and 12, to aid the calculation of pig herd depreciation.

43. Gilts in Pig (line 50)

Gilts which have been put to the boar but have not yet farrowed.

44. Maiden Gilts (line 51)

Gilts which are destined for the breeding herd but have not yet been put to the boar.

45. Fat Pigs / Finished Pigs (line 45)

Certified fat pigs including porkers, cutters, baconers and heavy hogs. Excludes fat and cull sows (line 44) and boars (line 42).

46. Store Pigs 20 kgs and Over (line 46)

All pigs being reared for the breeding herd (excluding maiden gilts) or fattened. In the case of being contract reared no entry is required in column 11, with the only need being for an entry for average numbers in column 18.

47. Piglets / Weaners (line 47)

All pigs under 20 kgs or so. The threshold weight should be treated only as a guideline. Where local practice is to sell / buy weaners at up to 25 kgs this should be used. In the case of being contract reared no entry is required in column 11, with the only need being for an entry for average numbers in column 18

48. Other Pig Subsidies and Grants Due (line 83)

49. Disease Compensation and Insurance Receipts for Consequential Losses (line 80)

All disease compensation payments for pigs should be recorded here.

50. Miscellaneous revenue from the pig enterprise (line 90)

Enter here all sales revenue associated with the pig enterprise not already entered. This will include any sales of semen, eggs or manure. Show prize money should also be entered here.

Poultry (lines 53 to 60, 62, 81 and 91)

51. Hens' Eggs (line 53)

Includes eggs from fowls for eating and hatching. Excludes eggs from other birds, e.g. ducks and turkeys, which are to go in **miscellaneous revenue from poultry enterprise (line 91)**. The gross profit obtained through the re-sale of purchased eggs should be entered in Section I, line 130.

52. Hens and Pullets on point Lay, Cocks and Cull Hens (line 54)

Includes fowls for eating and/or hatching eggs and also cull hens and cocks sold for slaughter. Purchased point of lay pullets should be recorded in row 54 "Hens, pullets on point of lay, cocks and cull hens", rather than in line 55.

Farmyard/small scale flocks (code 78) – Flocks below 300 hens should be entered in this category. The revenue and costs should still be included in the FAS24 in the normal way.

Private hens – where a few farmyard hens are kept to produce eggs for private consumption, the hens and cost of feed should be excluded from the FAS24.

53. Pullets One Week to Point of Lay (line 55)

Includes rearing cocks of similar age.

Purchases of younger pullets (from one week) should be recorded in line 55. When they reach point of lay, they should be transferred to line 54 at the appropriate Point of Lay value. Once a pullet comes into lay it can be referred to as a hen.

54. Chicks Less than One Week (line 56)

Excludes chicks purchased for the production of broilers (line 57), other table chickens (line 58), turkeys (line 59) and ducks, geese etc. (line 60).

Where chicks (less than one week) are purchased, they should be recorded in line 56, and transferred to pullets at the appropriate age and value

55. Broilers (line 57)

Includes purchases of chicks for broiler production.

56. Other Table Chickens (line 58)

Excludes hens and cocks (line 54).

57. Turkeys (line 59)

Includes cull birds, e.g. from breeding flocks, but excludes any eggs produced which should be entered in line 66.

58. Ducks, Geese and Other Poultry (line 60)

Includes cull birds, e.g. from breeding flocks, but excludes any eggs produced which should be entered in line **91**.

59. Disease Compensation and Insurance Receipts for Consequential Losses (line 81).

All disease compensation payments should be recorded here.

60. Miscellaneous revenue from the poultry enterprises (line 91)

Enter here all sales revenue associated with the poultry enterprise not already entered. This will include any sales of **eggs other than hens and** manure. Show prize money should also be entered here.

Other Animals (lines 66, 67, 69, 71, 82, 84 to 86 and 92)

61. Horses for Breeding (farmer owned) (line 84)

62. Other Horses (farmer owned) (line 85)

Enter here any horses owned by the farmer other than those used for breeding. This will include work horses and those used for recreational purposes and racing. Opening and closing valuations are not required for horses kept for recreational purposes although average numbers are required in column 18.

63. Horses Owned by Third Party (line 86)

Record here the average number (column 18) of horses kept on livery in the same way as for other agisted livestock. Any income from livery activities (full, part time or DIY) should be recorded in section I (see appendix 24 for a summary of completing livery activities).

64. Miscellaneous revenue from breeding horse enterprise (line 92)

Enter here all sales revenue associated with the horse breeding enterprise not already entered. This will include any sales of semen, eggs or manure. Show prize money should also be entered here.

65. Deer (line 67)

Covers all categories/type of deer.

66. Breeding Female Goats (line 69)

The revenue from the sale of goat's milk or wool from breeding females should be included in col. 12.

67. Other Goats (including kids) (line 71)

Enter here all goats and associated revenue not included in line 69.

68. Other Animals and Miscellaneous Livestock Receipts (line 66)

In the Integrated FAS24 the codes 108 to 118 are listed on separate rows to provide more comprehensive information

Covers all other animals (rabbits, bees, game reared on the farm etc.) and miscellaneous livestock products and receipts not included elsewhere, but associated with the farm business e.g. honey, goats milk and milk products, manure from goats. Centres can, if they wish, record here the output of livestock kept more or less entirely for providing food for the farmhouse etc. (such as a house cow, flocks of poultry with less than 20 birds), rather than entering them as a main farm enterprise.

A livestock code should be allocated (Codes 108 to 113 & **116 to 118**) – see Appendix 4

Milk from sheep (code 108) should be recorded here, with the volume sold recorded in hectolitres

Milk from goats (code 116) should be recorded here, with the volume sold recorded in hectolitres

Bees (code 117) – the number relate to the number of hives

Honey and by-products from bees (code 118) – would include pollination services as well

69. Disease Compensation and Insurance Receipts for Consequential Losses (line 82).

All disease compensation payments should be recorded here.

Further analysis of revenue

70. For each livestock category the revenue is further analysed: Column 11 (numbers of animals sold and column 12 (value of animals sold) less column 32 (revenue from third party livestock being contract reared on the holding)

- a) Sold for slaughter (columns 34 & 35)
- b) Sold for further breeding or rearing (columns 36 & 37)
- c) Unknown (columns 38 & 39)

71. Note: dairy calves (line 5) that are slaughtered before 10 to 14 days of age (bobby calves), for zero or little money (including euthanised calves) , should be recorded as slaughtered

72. Fat Cattle sales (line 15) are broken down into different categories in columns 27 and 28

Specific Points

73. Contract Rearing Livestock

A contractor (owner occupier or tenant) rears livestock for the owner of the animals. Management of the animals remains the responsibility of the contractor from delivery until collection, although the livestock owner may provide some variable inputs and labour when required. Payment is normally a fixed fee per animal over the period they are with the contractor. Contract rearing is regarded as a service, hence VAT is charged.

See Appendix 20, Table 4 for Contract Rearing Classification

More common examples of contract rearing include Dairy Heifers, rearing cattle, pigs and poultry

On the Farm Providing the Contract Rearing

The numbers and value of the contract reared livestock are excluded from the opening and closing valuations of the farm, but included in the average numbers (col. 18) in the appropriate line.

a) Livestock Codes

For those farms that are contract rearing only, an appropriate enterprise code should be included in col. 1 with 2000 added to the livestock code for contract rearing.

Where a farm produces a type of livestock both under contract and on its own behalf the enterprise code should be included in col. 1 with 1000 added to the code.

b) Farms that only have a contract rearing enterprise (prefixed code 2000)

The revenue received for contract rearing should be recorded on the appropriate livestock line in column 12. No numbers of stock are required in column 11.

The revenue only needs to be recorded on one line, whereas it may be necessary to record the average number of livestock for more than one line, where the contract covers several age groups.

Where the information is available the revenue may also be split on several lines to correspond with the average numbers, but this is optional

However, in complicated situations it may be preferable to record it all the livestock in one line, for instance contract heifer rearing could all be recorded in the 1-2 female line (line 19). It will still be recognised as contract heifer rearing by the livestock enterprise code.

c) Where a farm produces a type of livestock both under contract and on its own behalf (prefixed code 1000)

If the average number of contract reared livestock are recorded on several lines, the contract reared revenue must also be split into several lines to correspond with the average numbers

The reason for this is so that the correct average sale price can be calculated where there is a mixture of own livestock and contracted reared revenue on the same line

d) For all farms rearing contract reared livestock

Where the contract rearing revenue is recorded in column 12 it should also be included in column 32

Where the average number of contract reared livestock are recorded in column 18, they should also be recorded in column 31

e) Contract finishing pigs & poultry

For pigs & poultry it is unlikely that the farm would have their own and contract reared livestock. If it is just contract reared livestock, the revenue may be recorded in just one line, with several average numbers. For instance contract rearing of finished pigs would require average numbers of weaners and store pigs, depending on the age that the pigs arrived on the farm. The revenue would be recorded in the finished pig line.

f) Contract reared breeding herds (cattle, sheep, pigs & poultry)

It is important that the average number of breeding livestock are recorded as well as the average number of young stock, even though payment will just be on the progeny

For example contract reared breeding sows producing weaners. The average number of boars and sows should be recorded as well as the average number of weaners. The revenue will remain on the weaner line.

The livestock code would be that of the breeding herd.

On the Farm Sending the Livestock Away to be Contract Reared

For instance a dairy farmer sending the dairy heifers away to be contract reared.

The value and numbers of the livestock are to be included in the opening and closing valuations, but the average numbers refer only to the actual time spent on the farm. Any sales or purchases whilst away are recorded as if they were still on the farm.

The average number of animals sent away for contract rearing are recorded in column 21, and this is deducted from column 18, so that column 18 only relates to the animals actually on the farm.

Note: If all of the livestock in a line are contract reared away, the average number in column 18 could be zero, while there is a figure in column 21. If there is any output in this line (through change in valuation or revenue) it will fail the validation checks as standard output is only derived from column 18 for Defra & Fasn. Therefore a small number needs to be added to column 18, so that it is greater than 0, e.g 0.1 would suffice, reflecting stock on the farm for a day

The contract rearing charge is included in "other livestock costs" (F1 line 23 col. 2). See Section F, paragraph 27(p) –"Charge for contract rearing off farm, including the cost of rearing dairy heifers"

74. Agistment

This is the temporary grazing of livestock on another farm in return for a payment per head per day (or week or month). It is most commonly done with ewe hoggs by farms that have a shortage of winter grazing or unfavourable winter weather. It is similar to contract rearing, however the farmer is not providing a rearing service, purely the grazing, hence VAT is not charged.

Treatment in the FBS:

On the Farm Sending the Livestock Away for Agistment

As with contract rearing, the value and numbers of the livestock are to be included in the opening and closing valuations, but the average numbers refer only to the actual time spent on the farm. Any sales or purchases whilst away are recorded as if they were still on the farm.

The average number of animals sent away on agistment are recorded in column 21, and this is deducted from column 18, so that column 18 only relates to the animals actually on the farm.

The agistment charge is included in "coarse fodder" (F1 line 21 col. 2).

On the Farm Providing the Agistment.

The numbers and value of the agisted livestock are excluded from the opening and closing valuations of the farm, but included in the average numbers (col. 18) in the appropriate line.

Details of sales and purchases of the agisted livestock are not included on the farm providing the agistment. The payment received for providing the agistment is included in forage revenue and split between the appropriate lines in Section C3 col. 30.

Where the revenue is for forage crops such as stubble turnips, this is recorded in the main table of Section C3.

However where the revenue is for grassland (Temporary or Permanent), as well as recording it in the main table of Section C3, it should also be recorded in a working table at the bottom of Section C3 in the Integrated FAS24 . This is so that the revenue can also be allocated to a livestock enterprise rather than forage output (FADN requirement)

a) Livestock Codes

For those farms that have a livestock enterprise that is agistment only, an appropriate enterprise code should be included in col. 1 with 2000 added to the livestock code for contract rearing.

Where a farm produces a type of livestock both under agistment and on its own behalf the enterprise code should be included in col. 1 with 1000 added to the code.

6. SECTION F - COSTS

General

1. All costs are recorded here. Each item must only be recorded once in this section. Details of wages, salaries and other employment expenses also appear in Section B.
2. Costs recorded in column 7 exclude private use, capital expenditure and any resale of purchased inputs. Any profit or loss on currency exchange falls outside of the calculation of FBI or NFI and should be treated as section K (Wales only) output or expenditure relating to off farm activities which is not recorded in the FBS (England).

Costs associated with fully independent non-agricultural activities of the farmer and spouse, that is those activities recorded in Module K, should be excluded from the breakdown of costs in Section F. The total costs associated with Section I (integrated non-agricultural activities) should however be included throughout Section F. Section I costs are to be included in columns 1 to 7; column 7 is then subdivided into costs for agriculture (col. 8) and costs for non-agricultural (Section I) activities (col.9).

3. A tenant is defined here as one "at arm's length" from the landlord, i.e. where two of the following criteria are satisfied:

- (a) The landlord is not a close family relative.
- (b) The landlord does not have a direct financial or managerial role in the day to day operation of the farm.
- (c) The rent is assessed under tenant / landlord conditions and is reviewed regularly.

If a tenancy is "at less than arms-length" the farm should be treated as owner-occupied, for example, an inter-generational family arrangement.

4. Depreciation

(a) **Current costs depreciation**

The broad principle is that rates of depreciation should reflect as closely as possible the known conditions of physical deterioration and the likely degree of obsolescence. For buildings, works, glasshouses and permanent crops the diminishing balance is used at the following rates:

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| ○ Farm buildings such as grain stores etc. | 10% |
| ○ Specialist livestock buildings | 10% |
| ○ Glasshouses and horticultural packing sheds | 10% |

For machinery the diminishing balance method is also used with the rate of depreciation depending on the type of machine. For this purpose, machinery is grouped into five categories (see Appendix 17) with separate rates of depreciation. Depreciation for each machine must fall within the limits prescribed for it.

A full year's depreciation should normally be allowed on machines that enter the inventory during the accounting year, but ROs should use their judgement on machines bought towards the end of the accounting year. It is recommended, but not essential, that the depreciation is calculated and based on the part of the year the particular asset is on the farm. Tax allowances should be disregarded. Careful note should be taken of the guidance on machinery depreciation whereby both a range of rates and a mean rate is given for most machinery categories for ROs to choose from depending on the nature and level of use made of the item of machinery.

(b) **Historic cost depreciation**

Historic cost depreciation (HCD) is calculated using the original purchase price and the year of purchase. Below are guidelines on how it should be approached according to farm circumstances.

(c) **Machinery**

Items where original purchase cost and date of purchase are fairly easily available: calculate HCD using actual data.

Items where original purchase cost and date of purchase not fairly easily available: prioritise on basis of current replacement value (CRV), and always try to use actual data for items with CRV of at least £5,000, even where such items are within an inventory pool.

Items where original purchase cost is not fairly easily available or item is in an inventory pool and has CRV of less than £5,000, calculate HCD using current auction value.

Note: Once an item has been taken out of an inventory pool, for subsequent years continue to keep the item out of the pool.

Where items are purchased in the current year, record purchase cost and date of purchase so that this key data is also available for subsequent years.

(d) Buildings, glasshouses and permanent crops

Assume the same writing off period and depreciation rates as for current cost depreciation.

Use actual data in terms of original cost and date, if necessary in consultation with the co-operator.

5. Pooling of Machinery Inventory

For machinery pooling there should be an upper limit of 25% in terms of the value of the pool(s) as a percentage of the machinery inventory as a whole. Machinery pools should be kept as low as possible to ensure accuracy in estimating machinery valuations and depreciation.

Definitions of the Columns

6. Opening and Closing Valuations (columns 1 and 6)

Valuations of stock are made at actual gross cost before deducting any purchase grants but after deducting any other subsidies and/or discounts. The subsidies or grants on minor capital investments (e.g. small scale land improvement schemes) that are usually treated as current expenditure should be included in Section I, line 275. A common method of valuation must be used throughout, e.g. FIFO. Do not include in these valuations home-grown feed and seed which appear in the valuations in the crop output section.

The opening valuation should equal last year's closing valuation. (For lines 7 (machinery and equipment valuation), 10 (glasshouse valuation) and 11 (permanent crops valuation) the closing valuation should equal the opening valuation plus gross expenditure less sales plus the revaluation increment less depreciation.

7. Gross Expenditure Less Sales (col. 2)

Expenditure is the value of materials and services acquired at gross cost before subsidy, net of any discounts and after adjustment for creditors at the beginning and end of the year. It excludes home-grown produce. It is important that any current expenditure on fixed capital items (for example buildings or major building repairs) such as labour, materials, and machinery costs which have not been deducted from the costs recorded in this section is offset by an equivalent figure under "capital credits" (section I line 940).

Purchases of machinery and equipment are to be valued at gross cost before deduction of any subsidy or grant. Any grant is to be spread over 4 years and recorded in I line 276. For sales, where there is a known difference between the value shown in the opening valuation and the selling price received for a machine, "the balancing charge" will be included as + or - in the depreciation. Where there is a large discrepancy, the RO may, in exceptional cases, at his/her discretion, adjust either the opening or closing valuation or the revaluation increment to avoid too great a distortion in the depreciation figure for that year. Where machines are grouped in the inventory, the balancing charge cannot be identified and will appear automatically in depreciation. If a machine is sold within three years of purchase, any outstanding purchase grant should be credited in the year of sale.

8. Revaluation Increment (col. 3 - Machinery Section)

The estimated increase in the value of machines during the year due to inflation (or part year as appropriate for purchases). It is recommended, but not essential, that the revaluation is calculated and based on the part of the year that the particular asset is on the farm. Revaluation is determined on the basis of producer price index numbers provided by Defra.

9. Own Produce Used on Farm (col. 3 - Other Crop & Livestock cost sections)

This column contains estimates of feeding stuffs and seeds produced on the farm for the farming business, i.e. excluding private use. The figures must equal the total values entered in Section C1 cols. 34 (feed used from previous year's crops), and 36 (seed used from previous year's crops), Section C2 col. 34 (feed used from current crops), and Sections E1 and E2 col. 16 (e.g. milk from the dairy herd fed to calves).

10. Subsidies and Grants (col. 4)

Covers any subsidies and grants on current expenditure specific to individual cost items, except for grants on capital expenditure (i.e. machinery, glasshouses and permanent crops, buildings, improvements and small capital items treated as current expenditure, e.g. small scale land improvements schemes). Unallocated whole farm subsidies are to be entered in Section I, using the appropriate codes as detailed in Appendix 12.

11. Private Share and Drawings (col. 5)

Any purchased items, services or produce used in the farm household or given away must be included in col. 5 of the appropriate line. This may include private share of electricity, heating fuel, water, general insurances, telephone and council tax, as well as vehicle running costs including fuel, repairs, insurance and vehicle tax

12. Costs for Agriculture and Non-agric. Activities (col. 8 and 9).

The sum of these two columns should be equal to the sum of columns 1, 2 and 3 minus 4, 5 and 6. Column 9 should be equal to the sum of columns 11 62 in Section I.

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Opening valuation figures are brought forward from last year, with manual data entry or automated AAP transfer for all costs except machinery, glasshouse and permanent crop depreciation which come directly from their own detailed schedules. New farms will require manual entry of opening valuations.

Other livestock, crop and general farming costs can be built up from a series of working tables to the right of the core data. The advantage of using these working tables is that it allows for greater analysis of these costs, and can help in Section M enterprise margins. The total costs, private share and closing valuations in these working tables are taken into the core data, and any items detailed against Section I activities are grouped together under their cost heading and show in the Section I working table to assist in allocation. However it is the costs in that working table and Section I which appear in Section F1 item column 8, not the entries in the Section F1 working tables.

Three other small working tables exist at the bottom right of the page.

Home-grown feed from Section C1 and C2 and home used milk from Section E1 are shown in total. Any allocation to pigs and poultry can be made, the residual being allocated to grazing livestock, therefore providing the data for Section F item rows 17-19 column 2.

Home use of straw can also be allocated between coarse fodder (i.e. fed straw) and bedding straw. This should however already have been made on the Straw sheet.

The details of specific fuel and electricity drying costs from Section C2 are shown as reference against total costs.

Definitions of the Cost Categories

Section F1

13. Labour (lines 1 and 2)

Treatment of labour costs is described in Section B. The totals for paid (gross of any training grants received) and unpaid labour from B line 18 should be transferred as they stand to col. 2. Any training grants such as under the Local Training and Enterprise Youth Training and Apprenticeship Training Programmes should be put in col. 4.

Machinery

14. Contract Work (line 75)

(N.B. this does not include Contract Farming Agreements – see Appendix 15)

This Item should include:

Expenditure on work carried out by agricultural contractors which include payment for the use of equipment and personnel. Cost of materials used should be entered in the appropriate cost category wherever possible (e.g. crop protection products, line 29)

Contract labour is only included under this heading when associated with the hiring of a machine. Otherwise contract labour (whether employed directly by the farmer or indirectly through a gang-master) should be included under "casual labour".

Any contract charges relating directly to crop and livestock husbandry (when use is made of minor machinery and equipment which is specific to a particular task, and where the value of that machinery and equipment is so small that it would not normally appear in the machinery inventory) should be recorded in other crop costs [OCC] and other livestock costs [OLC] as appropriate. Examples of such charges would include agronomist/crop walking fees (to be entered in OCC), scanning and shearing sheep, foot trimming and freeze branding cattle (to be entered in OLC).

The value of any contract work within the opening and closing value of the cultivations should be entered in columns 1 and 6 respectively of line 75.

15. FBS Treatment of Separate entity Labour and Machinery Sharing Ventures

When a separate entity, labour and machinery sharing ventures may be profit or non-profit making. However, the charges made to each member of the agreement will include capital and running costs. The treatment below does not require the accounts for the labour and machinery agreement to be provided, which may create recruitment problems.

The recommended methodology is:

- a) The charges made by the labour and machinery agreement and paid by the farmer should be included in section F under contract work for the farm. Please note these may need a manual adjustment (see (e) below).
- b) If the farmer works within the labour and machinery agreement the time spent should be split between manual and managerial (e.g. directors meetings). The time spent working on his own farm should be recorded in section B.
- c) If the farmer receives a wage or reduction in charges by working in the labour and machinery venture these costs should be taken account in the farm return as set out in (d) and (e) below.
- d) If the farmer receives a wage, the proportion of the wage earned because of time worked on his own farm should be split from that earned working on other farms. The wage from his own farm should be included in section B. The remaining wage should be entered in section I.
- e) If the farmer receives a deduction in the charges (recorded in section F) because of work done for the labour and machinery arrangement the following methodology should be used.
 - i. The reduction in charges owed because of work carried out on own farm should be included in section B.
 - ii. The reduction in charges owed because of work carried out on other farms should be added back to the contract charge in section F and entered into section I as income.

- f) The investment made by the farmer in the labour and machinery agreement should be recorded in section G.

Any net profit arising from the labour and machinery venture should be recorded as hirework in Section I, or any net cost should be recorded as contract in Section F1.

Further details of how to treat Joint Venture Farming agreements can be found in appendix 20.

16. Machinery Rental (Line 76)

This item should include:

Cost of hiring machines driven or used by the farmer's own labour force. (Such machines do not belong to the farm and so should not appear in the machinery inventory or in the balance sheet).

Subsidies on contract work and machinery hire received in connection with land improvement programmes such as major reseedling should be recorded in section G1 line G10. Subsidies on contract work and machinery hire received in connection with minor capital improvement schemes should be recorded in Section I, code 275.

17. Machinery and Equipment Valuation etc. (line 7)

This includes all items of equipment with an individual minimum value or purchase price in excess of £500 (equipment and tools with a purchase price of less than £500 should be recorded with machinery repairs, line 8, as current expenditure). It includes all machinery and equipment used on the farm, including machinery and equipment used in connection with fully integrated diversified activities (i.e. those activities recorded in Section I). It excludes any element of non-agricultural and non-Section I use, i.e. only the farm business use of a given piece of machinery should be valued. For cars and other vehicles, only those used for agricultural purposes should be valued, and then only the farm share of the vehicle should be recorded.

Machinery and equipment to be included in the valuation is as follows:-

- a) Tractors, loaders, forklift trucks and material handlers
- b) Farm cars and utilities, commercial vehicles and quad bikes
- c) Harvesting machinery
- d) Cultivation equipment
- e) Other arable and grassland equipment
- f) Manure and slurry handling and spreading equipment (but not storage facilities, these should be included in the buildings schedule)
- g) Milking parlour and dairy equipment including bulk tanks (excluding buildings)
- h) Grain driers, storage and handling equipment (excluding buildings)
- i) Pig and poultry equipment including feeding equipment, battery cages, egg packers (excluding buildings)
- j) Other miscellaneous mobile and fixed agricultural machinery (e.g. trailers, mill and mix equipment)
- k) Small tools (e.g. welders, chain saws, etc.)
- l) Office equipment such as computers
- m) Major repairs and overhauls of machinery (e.g. new tractor engine)
- n) Plant, machinery & equipment associated with investment in green technologies for generating electricity

Machinery and equipment should be depreciated on a replacement cost basis (see Appendix 17 for appropriate depreciation rates). Care should be taken not to overvalue second-hand machinery where a discount on the purchase price of new equipment is added on to the trade-in price of the old machine instead. Both a range of depreciation rates and the mean rate are listed for different categories of machinery and vehicles. Research Officers should apply discretion to determine the actual depreciation rate to be applied to a particular item of machinery/vehicles. Factors such as the rate of use (low/average /high), nature of use (no/little/lot of contact with corrosive materials) and type of machinery/vehicle (low/high volume of moving parts) should be considered before choosing a depreciation rate. For example, a depreciation rate at the top of the range would best reflect the high wear and tear and relatively short useful life of a farm yard scraper in daily use. The converse should apply to an item of machinery such as a grass rake deemed to have low use involving little or no contact with destructive materials, with a rate at the lowest end of the range being selected.

Items of machinery initially worth more than £500, but falling below £500 in value, **can** be included in the closing valuation for that year, if Centres wish to do so, and in valuations for subsequent years, providing they remain in use. Alternatively, they can be written off in the year in which their value falls below £500. Effectively the written-off cost will be included as depreciation.

When there is a difference between the written down value and the sale price of a machine, this should be treated as an adjustment on disposal of machinery (i.e. profit or loss on sale). The recording of a negative **total** depreciation is not permissible in the FBS (unacceptable to FADN) and, when it occurs, action should be taken to avoid it being recorded in the FBS. It is very rare in the FBS for negative depreciation(s) on item(s) of machinery sold in the year to trigger a negative total depreciation, but when it occurs an entry should be recorded for windfall gains (G88), amounting to the sum of negative depreciation calculated. A more common occurrence in the FBS is for the calculation of negative depreciation on items of machinery sold in the year which do not result in total negative depreciation, and in such situations there should be no recording of windfall gain(s) at G88, thus resulting in +/- adjustment to depreciation.

Machinery grants are not deducted from purchases but are spread over an appropriate period (10 years) and entered in Section I line 276. A working table to assist in recording such grants is included in the IS FAS24 (Section I). All machinery grants should be spread over a 10 year period, regardless of the size of the grant.

Where machinery is purchased by a group of farmers, an appropriate share of the purchase price of the machine should be entered in Section F, line 7 col. 2; the share of any running costs should be entered in lines 8 (repairs) and 9 (fuel).

MCDEPN worksheet

Integrated System: MCDEPN worksheet

This sheet contains the machinery schedule for the business, and is built up each year with additional items, and marking items which are sold.

Machinery items are coded in relation to their type, and whether they are new, second hand or being treated as a pool item. The different classes of machine have different depreciation rates and revaluation increments.

The sheet contains a number of different columns which will all need completing, with the details linking from this sheet to Section F1, G, T and the Section I working table.

Machine name contains specific details of the item (MF 165, 4 Furrow plough etc)

Code identifies its depreciation rate, revaluation increment and new, 2nd hand or pooled.

% Non-Agric allocates a share of that items depreciation to Section I as non-agricultural, which is than allocated to an activity. I.e. a combine harvester which cuts 100 hectares on contract, and 300 hectares on the main holding, would have an entry of 25%. That share of depreciation would then link to the Section I working table, and be allocated to the contracting activity.

Depn calculates depreciation based on the machine code and year.

CV is the calculated closing value of the machine. Specific items sold will have a zero closing value; pooled items have a closing value after the sale value and depreciation have been deducted.

Type check shows the type of machine based on code.

Depn Non-Agric is the share of depreciation to the Section I activities, based on the % Non-Agric figure.

Profit reflects any profit on the sale of an item, above its closing valuation

Historic cost depreciation is calculated based on the original purchase price and year of purchase. Purchases and sales are copied from the main recording table. Where either the year of purchase or the purchase price is not known, the spreadsheet shows in column AD the suggested purchase price, and this can be used. However the year of purchase should also be altered to reflect that the item now has an imputed purchase year, indicated in column AE.

18. Machinery and Equipment Repairs (line 8)

These are the cost of repairs, servicing and replacement parts (including tyres etc.) for tractors, implements, machines, vehicles and equipment included in F line 7. It also includes the purchase of small tools and equipment with an individual purchase price of less than £500. The figures should be entered net of any insurance receipts (i.e. excluding both the cost of repairs and insurance receipts). The EC recommend that major repairs and modifications which increase the market value of a machine (e.g. a new tractor engine) should be treated as capital investment and depreciated in the usual way (see para. 15) Purchases of twine and wire for baling should not be included in this section, but under "other crop costs" (line 30).

19. Total Vehicle Fuels and Oil (line 9)

Since 2012/13 the gross expenditure (before subsidy) on vehicle fuel and oils has been disaggregated between petrol and diesel engine road fuel (DERV) (line 86), tractor diesel i.e. gas oil/red diesel, including AdBlue (line 87), other fuels, including paraffin and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) (line 102) and lubricating oils including greases (line 88), column 2 and the subsidy in col. 4. Coke, coal or oil for heating glasshouses or drying cereals should not be entered here but under heating fuel (line 36). Expenditure should be entered before the private share (col. 5) is deducted. Any charge for the disposal of waste fuels should not be entered here but should be recorded in line 73 general farming costs.

20. Producer Organisations (POs)

The methodology for treatment of producer organisation levy payments was revised in 2006/07 and should no longer be automatically treated as a trading expense. Each member of the PO enters into a fixed term programme, normally five years duration of expenditure which may include capital type expenditure such as new tree planting, erection of polytunnels, cold store improvements as well as trading type expenditure for example technical consultancy, store monitoring and chemical residue testing. The grower will be provided with a summary of expenditure under the operational programme by category at the end of each year.

For FBS purposes this should be analysed according to type of expenditure and entered into the account either as an investment in section G or a trading expense under "other livestock costs" and "other crop costs" in section F. In order to balance the account, the levy paid should first be used to cover the expenditure and the remaining deficit covered by entering a grant received in section I (sundry grants or permanent crop establishment grants) and in the appropriate line of section G column 6. The grant may need to be written off over varying periods of time. If the investment was for planting an orchard then a ten year distribution would be appropriate, however, a polytunnel may be better written off over 4 years [to reflect useful life] and the trading items should be all written off in the first year. In some cases the levy paid by the producer may exceed expenditure in any one year. In these instances the surplus should be treated as a payment in advance (in the financial worksheet of the integrated system) and allocated in subsequent years as expenditure increases during the programme.

21. Glasshouse Valuation etc. (line 10)

Glasshouses and walk-through polythene tunnels (including any associated heating, irrigation and other associated equipment) should be valued on a depreciated written down replacement cost basis using the same method as for machinery. It is recommended that the glasshouses are depreciated on a 10% diminishing balance basis, the metal structure of walk-through polythene tunnels using a 25% diminishing balance, and the polythene written-off over one, two or three years as appropriate and re-valued if necessary.

Repairs to glasshouses and walk-through tunnels should be divided into major and minor. Major repairs (over £500) should be treated as capital expenditure and entered in column 2 thereby spreading the cost of the repair spread over several years. **Minor repairs should be allocated to "occupier's repairs" (line 46 col. 2).**

GLASDEPN worksheet**Integrated System: GLASDEPN worksheet**

This calculates glasshouse depreciation based on year of purchase and cost in a very similar way to machinery depreciation, with first and subsequent year depreciation rates. Opening valuations are brought forward from the previous year, except for new farms when the opening valuation should be calculated from the year of purchase and original cost.

For glasshouses & polytunnels use code 8 (Glass), however note the difference in depreciation rates:

- Glasshouses & associated equipment (thermal screens, etc) 10% depreciation rate
- Polytunnels – 25% depreciation rate

Data from this sheet is linked to Section D, F1, G, T and the Section M working table on Section C2.

Calculation of historic cost depreciation requires the original year of purchase and purchase price. For further guideline see point 4 of the Section F instructions.

22. Permanent Crop Valuations and depreciation (line 11)**Types of Permanent Crops :**

These are crops with a life of five years or more, such as:

- orchards
- vineyards
- hop gardens
- asparagus
- hardy nursery stock stock-plants (i.e. crops which stay in the ground and from which output is taken in the form of cuttings, fruit etc)
- Certain biomass crops grown for energy (such as willow and miscanthus)

Note:

Hardy nursery stock with a production cycle of more than 5 years, where the mature plant is eventually sold, is not included here, Hardy nursery stock for sale are trading assets, not fixed assets, and therefore their closing valuation is based upon the instructions for crops included within C2.

Other crops that should not be regarded as permanent crops are strawberry plants and rhubarb (which have a life of less than five years).

Soft Fruit, such as raspberries, black & red currants, gooseberries, cultivated blackberries, often don't have a life of more than five years. This should be agreed in discussion with the grower.

Integrated System: ORCHDEPN worksheet**Permanent Crop Schedule**

Although the sheet is called Orchard Depreciation, it includes all permanent crops.

Recording Establishment Costs

Only establishment costs should be entered in column 2; production costs should be counted as current expenditure and included in the appropriate categories in the rest of Section F1. Establishment costs should be a best local estimate and may include the following: plants, ties, collars, stakes, sprays, fertilisers, herbicides, grass seed, windbreak trees, straw, contract work and the cost of the farm's own labour, tractor and machinery involved in establishing the crop (e.g. sub-soiling, ploughing, cultivating, spraying, marking out, planting, staking, tying, pruning, guarding and mulching).

Year Planted

This is the FBS Harvest year planted

Life

When compiling a schedule for a new co-operator or recording a new crop for a current co-operator, the life of the permanent crop should be discussed and agreed with the grower.

This can be quite variable. Some growers may grub a permanent crop more regularly, for instance to pursue newer varieties that are becoming more popular with consumers.

Rough Guide:

- Top Fruit (15-25 years)
- Vineyards (20 years+)
- Hop Gardens (+/- 10 years)
- Asparagus (up to 10 years)
- Soft fruit (usually up to 5 years, strawberries 1-2 years) – Note short life crops should be recorded in Section F1 (Seeds & pants), with the cost spread over several years

Year Grubbed

Record the FBS year that the crop is grubbed, so that it can be depreciated down to zero.

From the year of establishment a permanent crop should be depreciated, on a straight line basis until it is grubbed. Depreciation should be calculated on replacement cost basis and therefore the opening valuation should be re-valued and a revaluation increment calculated.

Integrated System: ORCHDEPN worksheet

Permanent crop depreciation and closing valuations are calculated on the year of planting and gross cost.

From 2019/20 all permanent crops are depreciated from their first year of establishment.

Previously the methodology was to appreciate for the first five years and then depreciate.

Orchard name, area and trees/ha are recorded for reference purposes.

Year planted, Life and Gross Cost are required to calculate the depreciation and Closing Value.

Life is the expected life expectancy of the permanent crop.

Gross cost is the cost of establishment

Year grubbed creates a zero closing valuation.

Opening valuations are brought forward for the previous year, or for new farms are shown in the *OV* from *Orig cost column*, and should be entered in the *Open Valn* column.

Historic cost depreciation is calculated on the year of planting and establishment costs.

23. Car Mileage Expenses (line 12)

For most farms the costs involved in running farm cars and other vehicles will be included on lines 7 (depreciation), 8 (repairs), 9 (fuel), 38 (insurance) and 72 (vehicle tax). - The value of any private use of farm cars and vehicles (as well as any other private use of machinery and equipment) should be recorded in col. 5 of lines 7, 8, 9, 38 and 72. Appropriate private shares will need to be established by the RO with the farmer.

Alternatively, a notional charge per mile may be entered on line 12. The total cost of using the vehicle is recorded in col. 2 and the private share is recorded in col. 5. Where this is done, code 0 should be put in the missing data code column; in all other cases code 2 must be inserted.

Livestock Costs (lines 17 to 23)**24. Concentrated Feedingstuffs (lines 17 to 20)**

For EU farms, both purchased and home-grown concentrates should be split between three main categories of livestock: grazing livestock (horses, cattle, sheep and goats); pigs; poultry and other small livestock. For non EC farms, Centres are asked to allocate feed on as many farms as possible. Where this is not practical the total feedingstuffs (line 20) should be completed.

- (a) The cost of all bought compounds and straights are recorded under "gross expenditure less sales" (col.2); these include all compound feeds, cereals and other grains, soya and other proteins, dry sugar beet pulp, maize gluten, milk powder, additives, minerals, vitamin supplements, etc. Wet feeds, such as wet sugar beet pulp and brewers grains are not included here but are recorded on line 21 (bulk feed and coarse fodder) along with other bulk feeds.
- (b) Under "own produce used on farm" (col. 3); home grown concentrates such as cereals, beans and peas from both the previous year's crops (from Section C1) and current year's crops (from Section C2) , as well as milk and milk products (from Section E1) should be included but not forage. They should be valued at the annual average ex-farm price and a contra entry will appear in enterprise output. Exclude costs of preparation by contractors, e.g. milling and mixing and grain drying, which are included in line 75. (Contract work).

25. **Bulk Feed and Coarse Fodder** (line 21)

The cost of purchased bulk feeds, such as hay, silage, straw for feeding, wet brewers grains, wet sugar beet pulp, stock feed potatoes and other vegetable residues, and also includes payments for agistment and expenditure on the use of common pastures and grazing land. Also include the purchase of a standing crop, such as forage maize, ready for harvest and for feeding to livestock and recorded here as purchased fodder. Do not include any forage produced on the holding (except for internal transfers of straw and other by-products for which a market exists - these are included on line 21 in column 3, "own produce used on farm"), (also see Section C3 para. 22) Opening and closing stocks of all home grown forage will appear in Section C3 cols. 3 and 4 and not here.

26. **Veterinary and Medicine Costs** (line 22)

The cost of all veterinary fees and medicines should be entered here. The costs of treating farm/household pets should be included in col. 5.

- (a) **Veterinary costs for farm dogs should be included in Other Livestock Costs (see below)**
- (b) **Formalin is regarded as a veterinary product**

27. **Other Livestock Costs** (line 23)

All expenditure relating directly to livestock production for which there is no separate provision in the other cost headings, this includes.

- (a) Service fees (including artificial insemination and bull hire)
- (b) Bedding litter (including purchased and home-grown straw) Home grown straw to be entered in column 3 including any costs incurred for baling and carting. NB these should not be recorded under contracting.
- (c) Breed society and show fees
- (d) Commission on sales and other marketing deductions and levies
- (e) Livestock haulage
- (f) Dairy sundries (detergents, teat dip, filters, paper towels etc.)
- (g) Packing materials
- (h) Milk company deductions for services (but not including capital contribution)
- (i) Milk recording fees and consultancy fees directly related to a livestock enterprise
- (j) Working dog expenses (including purchase of dog, dog food and **dog veterinary costs**)
- (k) Cost of contract work relating directly to livestock husbandry (see para. 14), including scanning and shearing sheep, foot trimming and freeze branding cattle.
- (l) Cost of hiring a building for a period of less than one year to house animals and/or store products used in connection with livestock production (e.g. fodder and bedding materials)
- (m) Cost of disposing of casualty and dead stock
- (n) Bio-security costs (e.g. disinfectant)
- (o) Integrated Pollution Prevention Control (IPPC) charges
- (p) **Charge** for contract rearing off farm, including cost of rearing dairy heifers
- (q) **Temporary items that can be moved with the livestock enterprise. Large investments (normally items over £500) should be capitalised. Examples could be:**
 - a. **Movable Sheep Hurdles**
 - b. **Temporary electric fencing with movable stakes & wires**
 - c. **Movable feed troughs in a field or barn**
 - d. **Ring Feeders for big bales**

Note: Items that should be regarded as Tenant type repairs (Line 46) include permanent electric fencing with stakes & wires, feed troughs and water troughs that are fixed, with large investments being capitalised in Section G

For farmers supplying milk where a charge is made in respect of a “capital contribution”, this charge should *not* be recorded as a cost in Section F. Instead, the sale value of milk *before* this deduction should be recorded in Section E.

Integrated system: other livestock costs

To the right of the core details is a working table containing various components which can make up other livestock costs. To assist in the overall calculation of other livestock costs, and also to aid Section M1 completion, this table can be used. The sum of the various columns are enter in Section F1 line 23.

Elements of these costs which relate to Section I activities can be identified within the table, and these figures appear in the Section I working table. However it is the final figures from within the Section I working table which appear in Section I column 2 and Section F1 column 9. The same headings are used in the other livestock allocation area of the livestock and forage sheet where costs are allocated to individual enterprises.

Data entry to the cells is by direct entry or automated transfer.

Crop Costs (lines 27 to 30 and 106)

28. Seeds and Young Plants (line 27)

These include gross expenditure net of sales of seeds and young plants, except for forest tree seedlings (but before any subsidy on bought seeds). It also includes the cost of cleaning and dressing home saved seeds by contractors or merchants and any royalty payments incurred.

The estimated ex-farm value of home produced seeds and young plants used on the holding for the current crops (equivalent to the figure appearing in C1 col. 4) are entered in col.3. The value of own grown potato seed should generally be somewhere between certified Scottish seed and the current ware prices.

Subsidies on seeds and young plants received in connection with major re-seeding schemes should be recorded in Section G line 10. Subsidies received in connection with minor capital improvement schemes should be entered at Section I line 275.

Large purchases of orchard trees do not appear here since these are to be considered as an investment in permanent crops (see para. 22).

29. Fertilisers (line 28)

Expenditure, after deductions for discounts, should be recorded in col. 2. Fertilisers include all straights, compounds, trace elements and organic manures together with farmyard manure, slurry, lime and chalk, peat, soil composts and combined fertiliser / insecticides, sewage, soot, and all waste products.

Subsidies on fertilisers received in connection with major re-seeding schemes should be recorded in Section G line 10. Subsidies received in connection with minor capital improvement schemes should be entered at Section I line 275.

Slurry/FYM & other organic manures (line 106) – Sub-set of line 28

Expenditure on farmyard manure, slurry and other organic manures including bio-solids should also be included in line 106 to enable greenhouse gas emission (GHE) calculations to be undertaken. Examples include:

- Purchased slurry/FYM
- Seaweed
- Biosolids (digested liquid/cake, thermally dried, lime stabilised, composted)
- Compost (green waste & food) **NOT HORTICULTURAL COMPOST that has small amounts of NPK added**
- Paper crumble (chemically/physically or biologically treated)
- Water treatment cake
- Digestate (from on-farm or off-farm anaerobic digestion)

30. Crop Protection (line 29)

This item includes all herbicides, fungicides, insecticides, slug pellets and dusts.

Subsidies crop protection products received in connection with major re-seeding schemes should be recorded in Section G line 10. Subsidies received in connection with minor capital improvement schemes should be entered at Section I line 275.

31. Other Crop Costs (line 30)

All costs having a direct connection with crop production for which there is no separate provision in the other crop headings, this includes:

- (a) Show fees
- (b) Soil analysis
- (c) Marketing and haulage (advertising, commission on sales, weighbridge charges etc.)
- (d) Packing materials (boxes, sleeves etc.)
- (e) Plastic coverings, e.g. the cost of polythene for mulching and low polythene tunnels, including hoops
- (f) Supplies for the preservation and processing of crops (e.g. grain storage fumigants and potato sprout suppressants)
- (g) Storage and market preparation of crops done outside the farm (e.g. crop cleaning, crop storage and crop drying)
- (h) Occasional purchases of crop products processed on the holding, which are complementary to the production of the holding
- (i) HGCA and British Potato Council levies
- (j) Producer organisation levies where appropriate (see para. 20)
- (k) Costs of soil sterilisation
- (l) Cost of hiring a building for a period of less than one year when the buildings are used for, say, the storage of cereals, as with some grain marketing and storage syndicates, co-ops., etc
- (m) Cost of leasing sugar beet quota
- (n) Crop walking/agronomy and other consultancy fees directly related to crop enterprises
- (o) Twine and wire
- (p) Silage additives, silage sheets and bags
- (q) Horticultural sundries
- (r) GPS (RTK) licenses (although expensive, they are an annual fee and are not a capital expenditure)

Integrated System: Other crop costs

To the right of the core details is a working table containing various components which can make up other crop costs. To assist in the overall calculation of other crop costs, and also to aid Section M1 completion, this table can be used. The sum of the various columns are enter in Section F1 line 30.

Elements of these costs which relate to Section I activities can be identified within the table, and these figures appear in the Section I working table. However it is the final figures from within the Section I working table which appear in Section I column 2 and Section F1 column 9

Data entry to the cells is by direct entry or automated transfer.

General Farming Costs (lines 35 to 40, 42, 43, 72, 73, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93 & 94)**32. Electricity (line 35)**

Covers all electricity used in the farm business including that used for heating glasshouses, drying cereals etc. The private share of electricity should be entered in col. 5. It also covers the cost of electricity generated on the farm by means of green technologies which is costed in as a contra item at the same rate as the cost of buying in from the national grid and costed out to Section I to balance off the contra transaction, using one of codes for electricity generated by wind turbines, photovoltaic panels, anaerobic digestion or other green technology power operations.

33. Heating Fuel (line 36)

The entries in this line should cover all the heating fuels except electricity for all farm purposes, including the fuel used for heating glasshouses, drying cereals etc. Any fuel used for chilling produce on farm should also be recorded here. For fuels used for heating glasshouses the gross expenditure (inclusive of the Heating Fuel Tax) less sales is to be entered in col. 2, Heating Fuel Tax Rebates and the Adaptation Subsidy should be included in col. 4. The domestic share of heating fuels should be entered in col. 5. Where definite information is not available because of central purchasing of fuel and reclamation of subsidy, best estimates should be provided.

Since 2012/13 the gross expenditure (before subsidy) has been disaggregated to include recording of burning oil/kerosene (line 89), propane (line 90), coal (line 91) natural gas (line 92), gas oil/red diesel (line 93), and 'other heating fuel' (line 94) which includes heat generated as a Section I activity (RHI), and used of farm.

34. Water for All Purposes (line 37)

Covers cost of water for irrigation, drinking, cleaning, cooling etc. on the farm. The private share should be included in col. 5. It also includes all charges and licences payable for connection to a water supply and for the abstraction of water for irrigation (which appear on the rates statement) where they relate to the farm business. This section does not include drainage rates payable to Local Authorities or River Boards which are recorded under rates line 47). The costs of using farm owned equipment for irrigation will appear under machinery (lines 7 to 9).

35. Insurance (excluding Labour and Farm Buildings) (line 38)

All insurance premiums covering farm risks, such as the holder's third-party liability, vehicle insurance, fire, flood, insurance against death of livestock and damage to crops etc. The following insurance premiums should **not** be included here: premiums cover for accidents at work (included in the labour section B17 and in F1 lines 1 and 2), insurance of farm buildings (included in F2 line 56 for all buildings owned by the occupier), and private insurances of the farmer and family. Rental value and imputed rent on tenant's improvements should reflect the cost of insuring farm buildings.

36. Bank Charges and Professional Fees (lines 42 and 43)

Bank charges (line 42)

These should include:

- (a) Bank commission on current account (but not interest)
- (b) Management fees relating to loan accounts
- (c) Overdraft arrangement charges
- (d) Safe custody fees

Professional fees (line 43) should include:

- (a) Accountants / auditors fees
- (b) Valuation fees
- (c) Bookkeeper/ secretarial charges (including travelling secretaries)
- (d) Legal fees (relating to business activities)
- (e) Land agent fees (relating to business activities)
- (f) Advisory and consultancy fees (if cannot be specifically allocated to crop or livestock costs).

Note: Professional fees relating to land purchase and capital expenditure should be recorded in Section G

37. Vehicle Tax (line 72)

All costs relating to vehicle tax should be recorded here. Private share to be recorded in column 5.

38. Other General Farming Costs (line 73)

These include:

- (a) General subscriptions (NFU, CLA, Tenant Farmers Association etc.)
- (b) Advertising
- (c) Office expenses (stationery, stamps, trade papers/journals, computing consumables etc.)
- (d) Pest clearance and waste removal (including badger control)
- (e) Travel and subsistence in connection with the business (excluding motor expenses, these are included in lines 7 to 9)
- (f) Telephone and internet [connection and provider charges] (private share to be recorded in column 5)
- (g) Other general costs (shot gun costs, sporting costs associated with a commercial enterprise, hiring a building for less than one year for some other purpose than for keeping crops or livestock)
- (h) Disposal costs associated with waste plastics, fuels and oils.

Integrated system: Other general costs

Text box to insert between items 34 and 35

There are a number of costs which go towards making up other general costs. Therefore to assist in calculating the total the working table to the right of the core table lists a number of components. The sums of the data entered into the table are transferred across to line 73 of Section F. Entry to the table can be either by direct entry, or via the automated transfer.

Elements of costs that relate to Section I activities can be noted, and the total is shown in the Section I working table for allocation to enterprise.

Any private share of costs can be shown in the working date.

39. Total Costs Before Land (line 45)

This is the total of lines 1 to 43 (excluding lines 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 14, 15, 16, 25, 26, 31, 32, 33, 34, 39, 40, 41), 72, 73, 75 and 76 (except for lines: 86, 87, 88 and 102 which are included in line 9; 17, 18 and 19, which are included in line 20; 89, 90, 91, 92, 93 and 94 which are included in line 36).

40. Directors Remuneration (line 83)

For farms that are limited companies, enter any wages and benefits in kind paid to directors **apart from dividends**, in column 2 and 7 on line 83. In many cases this will be equivalent to the private drawings recorded in section G3 minus any dividends. All benefits in kind must be included such as housing, vehicles, private health care and farmhouse consumption. This total is subdivided between agricultural activities (column 8) and semi-integrated activities (column 9). The latter is derived from column 56 of section I. This data will be used to derive Farm Business Income which is net of directors' remuneration.

The figure entered here should also be in private drawings.

Section F2

Land and Property Charges (lines 46 to 51 and 74, 82, 84 and 85)

41. Tenant Type Repairs and Current Upkeep of Land (line 46)

This includes the cost of materials used in making repairs to traditional tenant type items such as hedges, fences (including fencing wire), stone walls, thatched buildings (including straw/reeds), ditches, gates etc. Landlord type repairs should be entered here for all tenants on a full repairing lease. The cost of farm labour should be entered in Section B and F1 lines 1 and 2 and not here. Minor repairs to glasshouses and polytunnels should be recorded here.

Includes permanent electric fencing (stakes & wire) and permanent rabbit fencing; feed barriers & feed troughs fixed in a building or yard; water troughs, etc. Note that large investments (usually over £500) should be capitalised in Section G

42. Rates and Similar Charges (line 47)

The Uniform Business Rate of an activity should be recorded here if the income from that activity is included in Net Farm Income (perhaps a farm shop or a caravan site). If an activity is not considered part of the farm business, the income earned from that activity should not be recorded in the FBS and any Uniform Business Rate that is payable relating to the ineligible activity should be deducted from expenditure recorded in the FBS-England only).

For Wales, expenditure relating to such activities should be offset against income recorded in Section K. As with the old rating system, agricultural land and buildings are exempt from the Uniform Business Rate.

No personal Council Tax payments should be included in the FAS 24, **EXCEPT** where an employer is paying part or all of an employee's Council Tax, and this is entered as a perk in Section B.

Council tax payments on empty farm worker's cottages and other farm cottages let out commercially should be recorded here.

Rates to local councils or water authorities for regional drainage schemes or effluent disposal should also be included here.

Any payments for the abstraction of water should be recorded in line 37 (F1).

43. Gross Rent (FBT/FAT) (line 48)

The actual rent paid by a tenant less any allowances given by the landlord by way of reduction of rent. Where a farm is owner-occupied no entry should be made here, but under rental value (line 50). Where possible, exclude the rent on farm cottages which are let to persons not connected with the holding. Where the cash paid differs from the contract rent, the cash figures should be entered. However, where rent is paid partly in cash and partly by transfer of farm produce or services, the value of the farm produce or services should be added here as a contra item and included in the appropriate output categories as a sale. Where the landlord provides new equipment or buildings, or makes improvements and charges the tenant for interest and amortisation, this will be included as an addition to rent. In subsequent years the new building or improvement will be incorporated in the rent reviews for the rest of the farm. Any sum paid by the tenant but normally the responsibility of the landlord, e.g. fire insurance premia for farm buildings, should be included here.

Where rental arrangements are encountered which include leasing-in Basic Payment Entitlements (BPS) Entitlements, the total sum involved [rent and BPS element] should be recorded in F2 Row 48 [Gross Rent] and also recorded in Section R using agreement code 5. There is no requirement to disaggregate the rent and BPS elements.

44. Bare Land Rented in for Less than One Year (line 84)

Sums paid for bare land rented for less than 1 year are to be excluded from the gross rent and entered in line 84.

45. Forage rented in for less than one year (line 85)

Sums paid for forage rented for less than 1 year are to be excluded from the gross rent and entered in line 85.

46. Rental Equivalent for Land Farmed on Contract (line 74)

Fees paid for land under contract farming agreements should be included here. See Appendix 20 for calculating contract farming rents

47. Rent paid to trigger SPS entitlements (line 82)

In some cases a notional rent may be charged to a tenant in order to trigger BPS entitlements. This should be recorded here in column 2.

48. Imputed Rent on Tenant's Improvements (line 49)

Where a tenant makes improvements or provides new buildings etc. of a kind for which the landlord is normally responsible, and for which there is no compensation, this should be treated in the same way as owner occupier's rental value:

- (a) The net expenditure (gross expenditure less grant etc.) incurred by the tenant is to be capitalised. It will appear in the buildings or improvements lines in Section G;
- (b) The imputed rent is deemed to be equivalent to the annual net depreciation charge for the improvement, based on 10% diminishing balance
- (c) The improvements will continue to be depreciated for as long as the improvement is included on the buildings & improvements inventory, and in most cases will be for more than ten years

Whether expenditure is an improvement or not is not always clear, so the Centre must use its discretion. In general, however, expenditure on long term improvements such as water and drainage schemes and, in most cases, re-seeding grants etc., should be considered as permanent improvements.

49. Rental Value (Owner-Occupiers) (line 50)

For the calculation of net farm income all farms are treated as tenanted and the rental value is the notional rent charged for owner-occupied farms. It should be equivalent to the amount paid by a tenant of a similar sized and equipped farm on similar soil in the neighbourhood with equal length of occupancy, including appropriate allowances for any improvements made during the occupation. Rental value on specialist glasshouse holdings should not be treated any differently from other agricultural holdings and should reflect the value of the land for agricultural use plus all the building blocks applied to other accounts e.g. investment in buildings and Section I income generating assets etc. Any investment in glasshouses and equipment is already captured within the account as depreciation in F1, row 10.

Integrated System: Land and property charges
(Rental value & tenanted FH rent Sheet in the IS FAS24)

Opening valuations brought forward from last year, majority of costs by manual entry or automated AAP transfer.

Working table to right for the entry of bare land and keep costs to calculate Section F item row 77, with the facility to enter any non-agricultural elements for activity allocation in Section I working table.

Rental value

There are three 'building-blocks' to rental value which are calculated within the "Rental value and tenanted FH worksheet" (see examples in appendix 14)

Revised calculation of Rental Value

Block 1

Rental Value to cover land, house and BPS

			Total
O/O hectares	0.00	Rate per hectare	0

1. The area of owned land (cell D5) is brought forward from Section A. Enter the rate per hectare (cell G5) to produce a rental value.
2. This figure should represent the rental value of bare land, the business share of the farmhouse, and the purchase of additional BPS entitlements.
3. In practice there should be a close correlation between the rate per hectare used this year and the 'Net field Rent per ha' in last year's fieldbook.
4. Guidance will be given for new farms once an analysis of our current rental values has been done.

Block 2 – Rental value for buildings based on 10% diminishing balance.

Instead of the net depreciation charge being included as part of the rental value with buildings being written off after 10 years, a diminishing balance figure will be used instead.

10% diminishing balance on buildings (from BUILDEPN)	0
Less building charge on identified Section I buildings and works (Avoids double counting on income generating assets)	0
Net farming buildings and works contribution to rental value	0

- For existing co-operators this will still only relate to buildings & improvements erected in the last 10 years. There is no requirement to go back any further.
- 10% diminishing balance is shown in the far right hand column of the buildings page
- However, be careful to delete older buildings from the inventory, over 10 years old, otherwise they will be included in the new diminishing balance.
- For new co-operators record all expenditure on buildings & works [improvements] for the past 10 years, as before *and, all other expenditure deemed 'significant' [that which can be easily recalled by farmer as of material significance for his or her business] for up to 20 years*

Block 3 – Income bearing assets

These are items that appear in Section I, where the income is derived from a farm asset, such as letting farm cottages.

Income Bearing Assets' (IBAs), are defined as what inherently stays with the farm should there be a change of occupier. Hirework is therefore excluded because the machinery used for this activity can move with the occupier.

Definition: Income bearing assets cover all activities in section I, except: BPS Payments; HFA Payments; Environmental Payments; Hirework; Miscellaneous Income; income from Processing and Retailing of Farm Produce. . Typically they include diversified income such as let cottages, storage income, livery, etc. To avoid double-counting do not include the same asset in both 2 and 3.

- There is a 15% charge on average gross income on income bearing assets, as listed in the fieldbook.
- The income is averaged over three years, depending on when the farm entered the survey.
The figure is automatically shown in I40.
- Enter the proportion of the asset owned.
- Where an income bearing asset also appears on the buildings page and is depreciated, the imputed rent is not double counted. i.e. there is not a 15% charge in addition to the depreciation charge
- Rental value per enterprise for Section I
 - Although the Total is brought forward, these figures will still have to be manually entered in Section I

50. Total Land and Property Charges (line 51)

This is total expenditure on land and property charges - lines 46 to 50, 74, 84 and 85.

Occupier's Expenses (lines 55 to 57)

51. For England full completion is required with missing data code 0 used. For Wales where these are not available, one of code 6 (Data missing), code 7 (Loan valuation data not available), code 8 (interest payment data not available) and code 9 (Loan valuation and interest payment data not available) to be used in the missing data column. But figures (often best estimates for depreciation) are required for all EC farms for buildings etc. owned by the occupier (i.e. owner-occupiers or tenants who own buildings).

52. Buildings and Works Depreciation (line 55)

This covers buildings, premises and land improvements, e.g. fencing, draining, irrigation, the value of which is entered in Section G lines 31 and 32. Depreciation net of capital grants is shown in order to adjust for the effect of capital grants at the farm level. This figure should be less than or equal to the gross depreciation, i.e. before grant (G lines 31 + 32 columns 1+4+5-7+8-2).

For joint landlord/tenant investment, the tenancy agreement should be used to determine the period over which the tenant's share of joint landlord/tenant investment should be depreciated. Thus if the agreement says in effect that any residual value reverts to the landlord after 10 years, then the tenant's investment should be depreciated over 10 years.

53. Insurance of Farm Buildings (line 56)

Premium (estimated as necessary) paid for hail and fire insurance of buildings, premises, glasshouses and frames on an owner-occupied farm and for any buildings owned by a tenant on a tenanted farm.

54. Estimated Cost of Landlord Type Repairs and Upkeep (line 57)

This refers to the actual or, if necessary, estimated cost incurred by owner-occupiers of all landlord type repairs not recorded in F2 line 46, i.e. those which, on a tenanted farm with a full repairing lease, would still be undertaken by the landlord. The cost of repairs carried out by the landlord on tenanted property must not be included. It would normally include the cost of major structural repairs to buildings (e.g. the reinstatement of roofs and walls) and include non-farm and estate labour specifically employed for such major repair work, the actual cost of materials involved and estimated cost of home-grown timber used.

Interest Payments and Borrowings (lines 65 to 67)

55. These boxes refer throughout to outstanding loans taken out solely for farming purposes, and interest payments on those loans. For England full completion is required with missing data code 0 used. For Wales where these data are not available, one of code 6 (Data missing), code 7 (Loan valuation data not available), code 8 (interest payment data not available) and code 9 (Loan valuation and interest payment data not available) to be used in the missing data column. On those Welsh farms where these data are not available, the appropriate Missing Data Code (7, 8 or 9) must be used.

56. Long and Medium Term Loans (line 65)

All those originally taken out for a duration of one year or more. This will normally include bank loans, loans from AMC, building societies, insurance companies, and similar institutions, and loans from private sources and from the family.

Any penalties incurred for repaying a loan earlier than agreed should be entered as an interest payment and recorded in column 2.

57. Short-Term Loans and Debts (line 66)

These normally include bank overdrafts, hire purchase and leasing agreements (see Appendix 16), and merchants' and other trade credit.

58. Total (line 67)

The total figure should be entered here, even where the split between "long and medium" and "short term" loans is not available.

59. Recording of cash-back payments (relating to loans recorded in lines 65 & 66)

The practice of 'cash back' payments to farmers on setting up new loans is becoming more prevalent and pose challenges for ROs on how they should be treated in the FBS. Netting off with interest paid in the first year of the loan could lead to the recording of a negative interest payment. To safeguard against the calculation of a negative figure for interest paid, cash back payments should be recorded as interest received at D(16)[3] and G(63)[1].

Integrated System: Interest payments and loans, plus other details for horticultural holdings

Most of data is brought forward from the Financial Page working sheet.

Specific costs for horticultural holdings brought forward or by manual data entry, and historical depreciation is brought forward from the machinery, buildings, glasshouse and permanent crop working sheets.

Specific Costs for Horticultural Holdings (lines 68 to 71)

60. This section should only be completed for horticultural holdings. The four questions do not replace any existing questions in Section F1. These lines are a sub-division of costs which are already included in Section F1; the purpose of recording these here is to provide a more detailed breakdown of costs for “Horticulture Production in England” published by Rural Business Research at Reading.

61. The total of marketing charges plus packing materials plus horticultural sundries (lines 68,69 and 70) should already be included in “other crop costs” line 30 in Section F1. The entry for glasshouse heating fuels should already be included in “heating fuels for all purposes”, line 36 in Section F1, but needs recording separately at line 71 to safeguard against overestimating by including non-horticulture fuels.

62. Historic Cost Depreciation (HCD) (Lines 78-81)

This method of depreciation in the FBS is based on the original cost of the asset categories of machinery (line 78), buildings (line 79), glasshouses (80) and permanent crops (81). The accurate calculation of depreciation using this methodology requires the original purchase cost of the asset and its year of purchase to be recorded by the Research Officer in order to generate a written down value for the FBS year. However, depreciation derived by this method does not usually represent the true cost to the business as it ignores inflation and, therefore, over states profit. It should be noted the replacement cost method of calculating depreciation is used for deriving Farm Business Income. HCD is used for other purposes by Defra and FADN).

Section F3: FERT CALC**Background and aims of the study**

Historically the FBS has focused on the collection of financial data relating to inputs. Over recent years attention has turned to global warming and farming's contribution to greenhouse gas emissions. To quantify this, more data on the volume of inputs used, particularly fertiliser which has a significant impact on GHG emissions have been collected since 2012/13.

This data will therefore contribute to a number of Defra objectives:

- provide important data needed to estimate the environmental footprint of farming
- enable farms to benchmark their environmental performance as well as their financial performance
- meet the Farm Accountancy Data Network (FADN) requirements for data on fertiliser quantities

Scope

In order to better measure a farm's carbon or GHG footprint the most important data gap to address is quantity of NPK applied as fertiliser in their inorganic or organic forms.

From 2017/18 this section is now compulsory for all farms & holdings. The study covers all the main farm types including specialist pigs and specialist poultry farms and all horticultural holdings, irrespective of their utilisable land area. It also includes farm businesses that do not use fertiliser and those that choose to export all of their FYM/slurry.

An Excel calculator has been developed for those farms where accurate information is not available and where the information cannot be estimated by questioning the farmer. The calculator should be used as a last resort.

Missing data codes (MDC) (column 50)

MDCs to be completed for F3 (rows 95, 98, 99, 101, 103, 104, 105 & 107) using one of the codes listed below:

Code	Description
1	Data is accurate information
2	Data is subject to some estimation
3	No missing data but zero entries in columns 1 to 3 for this row
4	Data not collected in Wales
5	Fertiliser Model calculator used

General questions (Row 95)

This worksheet includes questions related to aspects of technology, rotations and where fertiliser advice is sourced, that will assist in the analysis of efficiencies of fertiliser usage.

Question 1:

Do you carry out precision farming techniques (combined management of crops and operations over different farmland areas using technology to allocate resources more efficiently and effectively)? (E.g. soil mapping and the use of satellite technology to guide fertiliser applications).

Responses: can range from No=1, Yes=2, Some=3, Not applicable =4

Question 2:

Do you use soil nutrient software packages (e.g. PLANET-planning land applications of nutrients for efficiency and the environment) to help determine fertiliser applications? (The use of these technologies by hired in contractors and/or agronomists counts as a positive use.)

Response: can range from No=1, Yes=2, Not applicable =3

Question 3:

Do you include clover/legumes (e.g. red & white clover, trefoil and sainfoin in grass swards)?

Responses: can range from No=1, Yes=2, Not applicable=3

Question 4:

Do you use green manure (i.e. fast growing plants to cover bare soil with foliage smothering weeds and roots safeguarding against soil erosion and on incorporation into the soil while still green, they provide valuable nutrients for the next crop) in your arable rotation?

Responses: can range from No=1, Yes=2, Not applicable=3

Question 5:

If "Yes" to either Question 3 or Question 4, do you make any adjustment to fertiliser application rates?

Responses: can range from No=1, Yes=2, Not applicable=3

Question 7:

Which of the following describes the main source of crop and forage nutrient planning for your farm (whether fertiliser was applied or not):

1. own advice (not FACTS qualified), including informal arrangements, where neighbouring farmers apply fertiliser using their own recommendations
2. own advice (FACTS qualified), including informal arrangements, where neighbouring farmers (FACTS qualified) apply fertiliser using their own recommendations
3. independent FACTS qualified advisor
4. supplier of fertiliser (FACTS qualified adviser)
5. not applicable because no UAA on farm

Note: The definition of FACTS qualified should be someone who has been in receipt of the FACTS training (even if they have latterly not kept up their registration). The FACTS training teaches an evidence based approach to fertiliser planning. So, if the farmer has a FACTS qualification, they have been trained in this evidence based approach.

Where a farmer does not use fertiliser (either organic or farms extensively), this is an active management decision and so would be regarded as 'Own Advice' (code 1 or 2)

Organic N P K per farm (Line 98)

- All home produced FYM/Slurry [Section 2 working Table-average numbers housed on farm]
- Imported FYM/Slurry [Section 2 working Table-imported slurry/FYM by livestock category] **[Section 1 working Table items below]**
- Seaweed
- Biosolids (digested liquid/cake, thermally dried, lime stabilised, composted)
- Compost (green waste & food) **NOT HORTICULTURAL COMPOST that has small amounts of NPK added**
- Paper crumble (chemically/physically or biologically treated)
- Water treatment cake
- Digestate (from on-farm or off-farm anaerobic digestion)

Purchased Organic N P K per farm (Line 99)

- As above (line 98) – excluding home produced & imported FYM/Slurry

FYM/Slurry (Line 101)

- Home produced & imported FYM/Slurry (also included in Line 98)

Digestate from on-farm & off-farm anaerobic digestion (Lines 103 & 104)

- Also included in Line 98

Inorganic N P K per farm (Line 105)

- Purchased inorganic Straights & Compounds [Section 1 working Table below]

Total N P K per farm & per hectare (Lines 96 & 97)

- Total of the both inorganic & organic fertiliser, including home produced FYM/Slurry

Working Tables

Section 1 _ volume data (Rows 96-106)

This is where applications (kgs) of NPK derived from purchased materials are calculated. For each fertiliser type enter the OV, purchases, sales and CV (all in tonnes). This can either be done directly or via usage of a working table. Recording of volume or quantity of fertiliser should be to four decimal places in recognition of very small amounts used on some farms e.g. horticultural businesses.

There is an inventory list from which Research Officers (ROs) can select the appropriate fertilisers used. Fertilisers that are not on the list can be added, using the cells marked '???'.

A '**quick guide**' to fertilisers is available that will help identify fertilisers that are not in the inventory list.

There are two variations of conversion tables for liquid fertilisers which can be used to calculate kgs of NPK. The first variation is for when the quantity of NPK per litre of product is already declared or known. The second variation is for when this is not the case and only the percentage composition and specific gravity of the product are known.

Section 2 (Rows 107, 120-164)

This is where the NPK that is sourced from home-produced and imported FYM and slurry is calculated. In addition to 'artificial fertiliser', slurry and manure can be important sources of NPK. Getting estimates of the contribution of manure/slurry to NPK applications should help to explain where farmers seem to achieve high levels of efficiency in terms of fertiliser use – i.e. this might well be driven by efficient use of manure/slurry. Conversely it should also show where there are inefficiencies – i.e. a high level fertiliser use is accompanied by high applications of slurry/FYM.

In order to estimate the contribution from slurry and manure to emissions at farm level we already have, via the FBS, robust data on animal numbers. Standard values can be factored against these to determine annual production of manure or slurry.

Average numbers of livestock categories will be linked from Sections E1 and E2 (FAS24).

The data entry points are:

Allocation by housing system

- Loose Housed System (FYM)
 - Cubicles/Kennels (FYM based)
 - Slurry litter
- average numbers for all livestock, including poultry with effect from 2015/16 (broilers, other table chickens, turkeys and other poultry) having previously been based on throughput .
 - percentage of time spent housed
 - proportion of FYM and/or slurry produced that was exported off the farm
 - age of FYM (fresh or old)
 - fresh = spread straight from the building. *Note: FYM spread straight from a building where it has been accumulating for many months counts as fresh.*
 - old = stored for 3 months or more
 - slurry application method.

Note: where more than one application method is used, select the method that is the most common.

 - Airborne e.g. vacuum tanker, rain gun, splash plate
 - Surface application e.g. dribble bar, trailing shoe
 - Sub-surface application e.g. soil injection
 - Volume excreta before straw
 - Volume straw
 - References:
 - Manure GIS project, Pages 36-38, tables A1-A3
<http://randd.defra.gov.uk/Default.aspx?Menu=Menu&Module=More&Location=None&Completed=0&ProjectID=14500>
 - NVZ Guidance, Pages 75-77 for grazing livestock, pages 81-82 for granivores
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/432141/pb14050-nvz-guidance.pdf

- RB209, Pages 55-69
<http://www.ahdb.org.uk/documents/rb209-fertiliser-manual-110412.pdf>
- Imported slurry & FYM (cubic metres of imported FYM and slurry)
Note: For inclusion in the study, imported FYM and slurry must have been spread during the harvest year in question.

FYM and slurry standard values have been used to calculate:

- the volumes of FYM and slurry produced by each category of livestock.
- the NPK compositions of FYM and slurry produced.
- the losses of NPK between the stage when FYM is produced and when it becomes available to the crop.
- the losses of NPK that occur when slurry is spread by the various application methods.

Points of clarification

- it is not necessary for a completed fertiliser study record to have an accompanying Section M (gross/net margin) record to be eligible for this study
- manure/urine deposited at grazing is excluded from this study
- opening and closing values of manure/slurry are not to be recorded as it will be assumed that manure/slurry is produced and applied in the same year
- for inclusion in the study, imported FYM and slurry must have been spread during the harvest year in question
- foliar feeds are excluded from this study

On-farm recording form

To facilitate the completion of the general questions and Sections 1 and 2 as outlined above, an on-farm recording form is available and can be printed-off on three separate pages:

1. general questions
2. housing-FYM-slurry
 - record system of housing
 - time spent indoors
 - percentages of FYM/slurry exported off farm
 - amounts and types of imported FYM/slurry
 - age of FYM, by type
 - slurry application method
3. additional fertiliser details
 - to assist in expanding summarised details such as those that can be found within some computerised accounts

7. SECTION G - LIABILITIES AND ASSETS

General

1. Enter here the value of assets and liabilities which are relevant to the production of output (H104) and net farm income (H106). Any capital assets, investment or liabilities specific to diversified incomes recorded in modules K (Wales only) should be excluded where feasible. However, those assets and liabilities which are relevant to integrated farming activities, that is, those recorded in Section I should be included.

2. All assets should be valued at conservative market values. Market Value is the estimated value for which an asset should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller, after proper marketing, where the parties had acted knowledgeably and prudently. Market value excludes the costs of sale or purchase. Any value relating to the purchaser's particular situation (special value) should be ignored. For example, a neighbour might pay a premium to secure land adjoining his property; this premium should be ignored.

3. Where the sale of a fixed asset(s) brings about a windfall gain, only the agricultural sale value should be entered in col. 7. The value of the windfall gain, i.e. the sale value over and above that recorded in the opening valuation in Section G1, allowing for errors in valuation, should be entered in line 88 (windfall gains on the sale of fixed assets).

4. When land (or any other asset) is inherited, this should be included in the closing valuation and in investment, and its full value should be entered in funds introduced. Where farms are purchased by sitting tenants the true value of the land should be entered in the closing valuation and the difference between that and the purchase price should be entered in column 8 of Section G as an occupier revaluation increment adjustment.

5. All the values in this section should refer to the occupier, except for the landlord's investment (col. 3) and the total grant (col. 6).

6. Entries should be confined to the particular farm specified by the reference number. Exclude other parts of the estate. Where an investment is partly or wholly intended for use with other farmers or growers, only include the proportion appropriate to the farm in the survey.

7. Where expenditure or sales falls into two or more categories (e.g. land and buildings) an estimated apportionment should be made.

8. From 1996/97 and prior to 2009/10 only those buildings and works (including improvements to land) deemed to have a life of 10 years or less (old definition of "Class A") were valued separately from the value of the land. This differs from practice in previous years where buildings and works (including improvements to land) were divided into two classes - Class A being those deemed to have a life of 10 years or less; and Class B being those deemed to have more than 10 years, but no more than 30 years life, i.e. all other buildings.

9. From 2009/10 the methodology for valuing and depreciating buildings has been revised. This brings the FBS into line with the approach used by FADN which does not permit the principle of a zero valuation for investments in buildings and works that remain in use. It is also considered to be a sounder basis for valuing buildings as those older than 10 years can still represent a valuable asset to the farm business.

10. The value of all buildings, regardless of age, will also be shown separately at section G, rows 2, 4 and 6 and will no longer be subsumed within the value of land. The same approach will be adopted for improvements such as roads and drainage although it has been agreed that the residual value of works carried out over 10 years ago can remain in the value of the land.

11. For 2009/10 and for new farms to the survey it is necessary to establish the value of all useful buildings on the farm. Where the original cost of the building is known then the current value can be derived using an annual depreciation rate of 10% (15% for specialist buildings such as pig and poultry sheds and glasshouses) together with the annual revaluation index. On farms where the original cost of a building is not known, it can be calculated by using the current cost for constructing a similar type and size of building. This is then indexed back to the appropriate year to find the original value of the building and then depreciated as per the instructions above. To assist Researchers an updated table of building cost indices is circulated at the beginning of each year by DEFRA.

12. When a building becomes obsolete and is no longer used (e.g. dairy farmers ceasing milk production) then the building can be fully depreciated in that year.

13. Improvements such as roads and drainage are also subject to a 10% depreciation rate. However where mole or tile drains are considered to be no longer functioning they should be fully written off in that year.

14. **All Tenant's Improvements (even on buildings with a life of more than 10 years)**

Buildings on tenanted farms are to be treated in the same way as for those on owner occupied farms.

Integrated System: Section G

Details of assets, annual investment, liabilities and net worth reconciliation for the accounting year are presented on this sheet. The vast majority of the data on this sheet comes from other sheets within the spreadsheet.

The only direct data inputs are for land and woodland purchases, sales and revaluations, other imputed items, windfall gains and other receipts.

Private drawings are entered into an associated working table, with directly or automated AAP transfer. Internal occupation charges from output areas of the FAS24 and private shares of costs are linked to the private drawings.

Cells at the bottom right hand corner of the table indicate whether the account balances or not.

Integrated System: Occupier's expenses

Depreciation calculated from BUILDEPN sheet with building schedule. Insurance on farm building, landlord type repairs and maintenance completed by manual data entry or via AAP automated transfer.

BUILDEPN

Buildings are depreciated on a diminishing balance basis at either 15% for poultry and pig buildings and glasshouses or 10% for all others. . Details from this sheet link to Section D, F2, G and T.

Description records specific details of the investment.

% Non-agricultural allows a share of the depreciation to be allocated to non-agricultural activities.

P for property relates to property works where that share of the depreciation will be excluded from the calculation of rental value as let property rental values use a different calculation.

Year built will establish an opening valuation on new farms.

Gross cost is the original cost of the building, or cost in year.

Grant allows any grant received against works to be associated with a project.

Farm and contractor columns reflect the pattern of work in an investment, and are totalled for Section T.

Sale year and *Value* record sales of buildings.

Open valn will be brought forward, except for new farms where it will need to be entered from the OV from gross cost column which has used year build and cost to establish a valuation.

Hold gains are the revaluation of the building due to changes in building cost index.

Purchases and *sales* are for current year's works and sales.

Gross Depn is the calculated depreciation.

Close Depn is the calculated depreciation.

Net Depn is the calculated depreciation net of grant received against the same improvement.

Open value int is the calculated opening valuation of a building with some non-agricultural use, and *Non agri inv* is the calculated gross non-agricultural investment

Non agr prop is calculated to exclude from the depreciation calculation within the rental value calculation.

8. Section G1 - Assets and Annual Investment

Definitions of the Columns

15. **Opening and Closing Valuations** (columns 1 and 2)

Include here the valuation of all assets owned by the occupier, i.e. on a wholly tenanted farm there will be no valuation for land. Valuations should relate to all land buildings, quotas, Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) entitlements, tenants assets, financial assets and other assets of the farm business. Farm buildings owned by the occupier but let for non-agricultural purposes should be included in Section G, and the rent arising from them recorded in Section I.

Separate valuations are required by the EC for agricultural land, woodland, farm buildings and improvements. Care must be taken that the sum of these separate components (line 12) represents a realistic overall value of the farm.

The total landlord type assets of the farm should be valued at replacement cost, i.e. using conservative market prices, reflecting the expected sale price if the whole farm was sold. "Hope" value resulting from the possibility of future residential or commercial development of the land should be excluded in arriving at valuations. However, due attention should be paid to local market conditions and to any particular features of the farm which may significantly enhance or diminish its likely sale value relative to the average for farms of that size and type.

The value of buildings and improvements should be depreciated each year, but land and BPS entitlements are not subject to depreciation. Land, and BPS entitlements however, may be revalued to reflect changes in market values.

16. **Gross Investment** (cols. 3, 4 and 5)

This covers all gross investment carried out on the farm (land, woodland, farmhouse/cottages, buildings, drainage & other work) including any investment by landlords on tenanted holdings. The previous FBS Sub Committee agreed that it is desirable to obtain a comprehensive measure of the extra resources used on farms and a split of gross investment between landlords, owner occupiers and tenants should be made. For joint landlord/tenant investment, the tenancy agreement should be used for determining the period over which the tenant's share should be depreciated and hence its current value. Where actual figures of landlords' gross investment are not available, best estimates should be sought from the tenant.

For machinery, glasshouses and permanent crops, (i.e. lines 13 to 15), the total cost is to be entered at column 5, i.e. as tenant investment.

The value put on all purchases and investments in the year should be recorded at gross cost before any account of grants. It will include all expenditure during that year and any unpaid bills whether or not the asset was physically completed or used during the year.

The amount entered should be the total cash price, i.e. net of any discounts and excluding all interest payments where hire purchase, leasing or similar arrangements are involved. It should include the cost of site preparation, architects' and surveyors' and land agents' fees, legal charges and the value of all labour used whether hired, family or the farmer's own, paid or unpaid. When the Standard Costs method of claiming grants is used, an estimate of the actual cost should, where possible, be recorded; if this actual value cannot be assessed then the Standard Cost should be entered.

17. **Total Grant** (col. 6)

Record the total value of grant received in the year, including an estimate (if necessary) of the landlord's share of any joint landlord/tenant investment. The figure in line 32 col. 6 may therefore exceed the figure in line 78 which only covers grants received by the occupier. Grants for major reseeding and similar land improvements should be included here.

The capital value of grants to occupiers given in respect of machinery, glasshouses and permanent crops should be entered here (lines 13 to 15) and should also be written off over a ten-year period in Section I.

18. **Occupier's Sales** (column 7)

This is the value of sales made by the occupier. The sale of agricultural land should be recorded net of the value of BPS entitlements. This means the sale proceeds must be split between the deemed values for land and BPS entitlements. The unit value generated by the BPS calculator should be used to determine the value of BPS entitlement sold with land.

For example:

- 50 ha sold for £12,000 per ha with 50 units of BPS entitlements results in sale proceeds of £600,000
- Unit value of BPS entitlements brought forward was £600/ha = £30,000.
- Therefore, £30,000 [i.e. 50 * £600] should be deducted from sale proceeds £600,000 (50 * £12,000), leaving £570,000 for sale of land i.e. £11,400 per hectare net of BPS

19. **Occupier's Revaluation Increment / Adjustment** (col. 8)

This covers the revaluation of the occupier's own assets and investment (as a result of changes in the market value of assets between the start and end of the accounting year). Any revaluation of a landlord's investment should not be included here but should be reflected in a change in gross rent in Section F. Section G line 12 col. 8 will equal either G line 56 or G line 66 depending whether it is positive or negative.

Definitions of the Assets

20. **Agricultural Land** (line 1)

This includes the utilised agricultural area and other areas of the farm not used for agriculture, except managed woodland. A building block approach should be used to calculate the value of agricultural land comprising the following values:

- Bare land
 - The value should reflect the regional market value as recommended in guidance produced by Rural Business Research (RBR)
- Farmhouse
 - In determining a value a conservative approach should be taken and account for factors such as whether an agricultural restriction applies and the size and quality of the residence and the overall size of the farm business
 - Current RBR guidance is as follows
 - Lower value (on small farm farm) =£100,000
 - Average value (on an average sized farm) =£300,000
 - Higher value (significant house on large farm) =£600,000
- Other houses cottages included within operation of farm business
 - These should be included with land and farmhouses (row 1) and valued at =£100,000

Given that row G 12 (columns 1 and 2) should reflect the expected sales value of the whole holding and since buildings, improvements and other works are valued at their depreciated cost. The agricultural land value should include any residual value attached to all investments in buildings, other works and drainage), carried out more than 10 years ago. **In the case of farm dwellings (farmhouse/cottages), since 2015/16 capital expenditure should be recorded with agricultural land G row 1 column 4 including cottages let out whose revenue is recorded in Section I, without adjustment for depreciation. It is noted that Research Officer (RO) judgement is required on two key aspects:**

- i. Is the expenditure capital or repairs?
 - a. In some circumstances it may be difficult to determine a division in the type of expenditure, though RO judgement should be guided by the scale or material significance of the investment and it satisfies the test
 - b. The expenditure incurred is on fixed assets, or increases the value of the fixed asset already in existence within the farm business
- ii. Is the expenditure business related or private?

- a. In practice the cost of the structure would be included, whilst
- b. Costs relating to fittings and fixtures inside the structure would be excluded

21. **Woodland** (line 29)

This covers the value of managed woodland and plantations including standing timber, the area of which is entered in Section A, line 28. These are areas of woodland used for timber, recreation or other purposes which are expected to yield an income now or in the future. Isolated trees and spinneys are not included here but with the value of agricultural land, i.e. on line 1. Column 7 (occupier sales) refers to sales of felled mature wood as well as to sales of land with standing timber.

22. **Buildings** (lines 2, 4, 6 and 31)

Capital investment in farm buildings should not include expenditure on machinery and equipment, except where buildings are bought with fixed equipment already installed.

For tenanted farms there may be an entry in line 31 cols. 1 and 2 for landlord type buildings owned by the tenant. Where a fully depreciated building is sold, the windfall gain associated with the sale should be reflected in line 88.

When a farm is included in the sample for the first time it will be necessary to assess the value of buildings on the farm by the Research Officer (RO) preferably obtaining information on expenditure and year of purchase of the different buildings if available. Alternatively, obtain area/capacity (square metres/per unit) in order to complete the worksheet in the Integrated System Fieldbook.

23. **Other Improvements, Works and Services** (line 10)

All improvements to the farm are entered here as well as the installation of any new services (gas, electricity, water, sewerage) or the extension of any existing services to other buildings improvements to or investment in, buildings however, is included under buildings. Major reseeded or other land improvements (drainage etc) should be included, with the subsidy element entered in col. 6. Small scale improvements should be treated as current expenditure.

It can be difficult to determine the dividing line between improvements of a capital nature and those that are predominantly repairs and maintenance. To be recorded here an improvement should satisfy at least one of the following conditions:-

- (a) be classified as improvements for grant purposes
- (b) be eligible for investment grants or allowances
- (c) be such as to add to the rental value of the property
- (d) be eligible for HMRC farm buildings income tax allowances

For tenanted farms there may be an entry at line 32 columns 1 and 2 where improvements are undertaken by the tenant without remuneration from the landlord.

24. **Producer Organisations**

The methodology for treatment of producer organisation levy payments was revised in 2006/07 and should no longer be automatically treated as a trading expense. Each member of the Producer Organisation enters into a five year programme of expenditure which may include capital type expenditure such as new tree planting, erection of polytunnels, cold store improvements as well as trading type expenditure for example technical consultancy, store monitoring and chemical residue testing. The farmer/grower will be provided with a summary of expenditure under the operational programme by category at the end of each year.

For FBS purposes this should be analysed according to type of expenditure and entered into the account either as an investment in section G or a trading expense under "other crop costs" and/or "other livestock costs" in section F. In order to balance the account, the levy paid should first be used to cover the expenditure and the remaining deficit covered by entering a grant received in section I (sundry grants or permanent crop establishment grants) and in the appropriate line of section G column 6. The grant may need to be written off over varying periods of time. If the investment was for planting an orchard then a ten year distribution would be appropriate, however, a polytunnel may be better written off over 4 years and the trading items should be all written off in the first year. In some cases the levy paid by the producer may exceed expenditure in any one year. In these instances the surplus

should be treated as a payment in advance (in the financial worksheet of the integrated system) and allocated in subsequent years as programme expenditure increases.

25. The following entries should be the same as in the C, E and F sections:

Machinery	G line 1 col. 1 = F line 7 col. 1
	G line 15 col. 2 = F line 7 col. 6
Glasshouses	G line 13 col. 1 = F line 10 col. 1
	G line 13 col. 2 = F line 10 col. 6
Permanent crops	G line 14 col. 1 = F line 11 col. 1
	G line 14 col. 2 = F line 11 col. 6
Livestock	G line 16 col. 1 = E lines (27 + 70) col. 4
	G line 16 col. 2 = E lines (27 + 70) col. 10
Crops	G line 25 col. 1 = C 299 col. 26+ C 420 col. 26
	G line 25 col. 2 = C 299 (col. 28) + C 420 col. 28
Cultivations	G line 27 col. 1 = C 411 col. 26
	G line 27 col. 2 = C 411 col. 28

26. **Other quotas (line 37)**

Other quotas (line 37) are not linked to the land; they are therefore to be counted as tenant-type assets.

27. The revaluation increment adjustment (col. 8) for sugar beet contract entitlement should be such that the closing value reflects the market value of each asset, according to local market conditions.

28. **Liquid Assets (lines 21 to 23 and 89 to 91)**

(a) Cash at Bank (line 22)

Cash at bank should be recorded on an adjusted basis, i.e. adjusted for unrepresented cheques at the end of the trading period.

(b) Debtors (lines 89, 90 & 91)

Debtors should be recorded separately for livestock subsidy debtors (line 89), crop subsidy debtors (line 90), EU subsidy debtors (line 107) and all other debtors (line 91). Subsidy debtors are those values which are due for the current year but are paid in the following year.

The opening value of debtors should record the closing value of debtors as in the previous year's farm return. Adjustments to debtors between the previous close and the opening of the current year *should be entered in Section G line 77 and also in section D lines 23 and line 85.*

The closing valuation of debtors should record all monies due relating to the account year, but which will not be paid until the following year.

Crop subsidy debtors should contain monies due for crop schemes which have not been received by the end of the account year.

29. **Suspended Debtors (line 93)**

The opening and closing valuations of any bad debts written off during the current year should be recorded here. The closing valuation will be the opening valuation minus any revenues received through part-recovery minus the absolute value of any amount written off. Some worked examples of bad debt treatment are given at Appendix 9.

30. Miscellaneous Business Assets (line 24)

These cover other farming assets not specified elsewhere, such as shares in co-operatives and machinery syndicates, stinted grazing rights, goodwill (an intangible asset that arises when a buyer acquires an existing business operation) etc. If such shares are received during the year, they should also be recorded as funds introduced in Section G3, line 76. However, a distinction must be made between the assets of the business and the assets of the farmer or farm manager. Where shares confer preferential trading to a farm business, such as those held in a co-operative, these should be counted as an asset of the farm business and recorded here. The value of such shares should be recorded at cost, and any profits generated from the sale of (or dividend from) these shares should be recorded as a windfall gain (G88). All other shares, such as those in non-agricultural businesses, should be assigned to the individual rather than the farm business; the dividends from these shares should therefore be included in Section K (Wales only) or ignored (England only).

Shares held in Dairy Crest and other Trading Groups should no longer be recorded in Section G, and dividends from these shares should be recorded in Section K (Wales only) or ignored (England) for the purpose of recording in the FBS.

Capital contributions made by dairy farmers to milk buyers should also be recorded as a miscellaneous business asset (line 24). Capital contributions are deducted from milk statements received by farmers to enable milk buyers to invest in milk processing capacity. These contributions remain in the name of the farmer and may usually be withdrawn at any time in the future, though they sometimes are converted into shares whose total value is less than the original contributions. Any interest payments made to the farmer in respect of these contributions should be entered in Section D, line 16.

Goodwill rarely occurs in the FBS, which is undoubtedly due to the nature of the business of farming compared with other businesses such as manufacturing and retailing. The value of any purchased goodwill should be recorded as an MBA and written off over a maximum of five years by straight line depreciation. The fall in the value is to be treated as a negative revaluation and not a cost to the business. The rationale for ignoring the cost in the Net farm Income calculation is it would cause distortion to the normal costs structure of a farm business for benchmarking purposes. It could be argued the cost should be identified for computation of Farm Business Income, but given the rare occurrences of such costs it is hard to justify the inclusion of new cells in the FAS to record the amounts involved.

Integrated System: Financial Worksheet

This contains the individual details of loans outstanding and credit balances, and is used as a working table for the completion of Section G. Opening valuations are brought forward from the previous year with the closing balance calculations linked into this year's Section G. Capability of loan repayments and additional loans to be recorded and can also be used to reconcile account statements.

"Interest received" entered here is linked to Section D.

Other cells can be completed by manual entry or automated AAP transfer

31. Investment in off farm crop storage (line 106)

Enter here any investment in co-operative or shared grain storage that is not physically on the farm.

32. Basic Payment Scheme Entitlements (lines 110, 111, 112 & 113)

These cover the value of entitlements associated with the Basic Payment Scheme. Defra will provide guidance on valuations to reflect market conditions. Any changes in value between the start and end of the accounting year will be recorded as revaluation increments; any revaluation adjustment should also be entered in line 58 of Section G3 if positive or line 68 if negative. Entitlements from the National Reserve should be allocated a zero value as they cannot be traded for five years.

Any trading of entitlements should be recorded in the year the transaction takes place. The number of entitlements held and traded are recorded in Section D.

Note that any interest accrued on late payment of BPS entitlements should be recorded in the usual way, i.e. in line 63 of G3 as well as line 16 of section D.

Integrated system: Basic Payment Scheme (SPS)

This working sheet is the central recoding point of the Basic Payment Scheme, with the information here linked to Sections D, G, I and S. This ensures that the various types of entitlement are consistently recorded across all Sections.

Data within this sheet is also used for the calculation of the opening and closing valuations using the Defra supplied 'Value of payment entitlement calculator' which includes the Calculator, Control panel and New calculations sheets, the last two of which are hidden within the spreadsheet.

Data in this sheet will be either direct by RO or automated via AAP, average values are calculated within the sheet.

9. **Section G2 - Liabilities**

33. **Loan Accounts** (lines 40 to 46)

Enter here all loans exceeding 12 months, which relate to the farm business, taken out for a period exceeding 12 months. Such entries should cover outstanding capital only. Hire purchase and leasing arrangements (even if taken out for a period exceeding 12 months) should be considered as short term loans and recorded under current liabilities. Bank term loans exclude overdrafts which are recorded under current liabilities.

G45: In virtually all cases loans will fall into the categories covered by lines 40 to 44. Only in very occasional circumstances will an entry be necessary in G45 for example when a loan is from non-family/non-institutional source.

34. **Current Liabilities** (lines 47 to 52)

As with loan accounts these should be only those relating to the farm business. These include hire purchase, leasing, creditors, bank overdraft and other short term borrowings (for less than 12 months). Opening and closing balances for hire purchase and leasing refer to the outstanding capital element only (see Appendix 16).

35. **Total External Liabilities** (line 53)

Is the sum of Total Loan Accounts (line 46) and Total Current Liabilities (line 52).

Integrated System: Lease and Hire Purchase Worksheet

This sheet carries out the calculation detailed in Appendix 17 for up to 10 items of machinery with a lease or HP agreement. It will show a number of agreements running concurrently, and show the calculated interest and capital for each agreement based on the original loan, term and payment. Each year the opening balances are taken from the previous year's closing balances for each agreement, and recalculated for the current year.

The top section is used to enter the new agreements each year, of type code, purchase year, amount borrowed, cost per repayment, total number of repayment, number of repayment in the first year and subsequent years. Once an agreement reaches the end of its term the "delete entry" message shows which means that information can be removed from that row, and is available for a new agreement.

The second block of calculations generate the interest and capital repayments in the current year, for the agreements listed above, with the total interest being linked into the Financial Page, and outstanding balances into Section G.

Key details that are required are the amount borrowed (not the cost of the item itself), the length of the loan, and how many repayments are in the initial and subsequent year's.

Working tables on this sheet also show the distribution of new leases and HP's across the range of machine types, and then link to Section T.

Personal Contract Purchases of Vehicles (include in line 48 Leasing)

How to deal with 'new car purchase contracts' that are 3 years of payments with a balloon payment at the end of the agreement. The final balloon payment is often not paid as the car is returned to the garage and a new car is purchased.

Capitalise the car purchase and allocate the cost as 2 loans, 1 paid monthly and 1 as a short term loan. Two lines to be used in the leasing calculator one for the monthly payments and one for the balloon payment. All to be kept as a Leasing Liability (row 48 in G2).

10. Section G3 – Net Worth Reconciliation

35. Net Worth Reconciliation (lines 54 to 88)

(a) The figure of Net Worth will be derived from total assets (line 33) less external liabilities (line 53). Centres must attempt a reconciliation between opening Net Worth (line 54 col. 1) and closing Net Worth (line 80 col. 2). This involves adjustments for the profit or loss during the year, the appreciation or depreciation of business assets and the transfer of funds out of, or into the business.

(b) To arrive at the profit or loss of the business, net farm income (H 106) is included, along with any items which were added or subtracted in the derivation of net farm income in order to put owner occupied farms on a tenanted basis as well as any imputed items (i.e. where an actual cash transaction is not made). If net farm income is positive it is added at line 82, if negative it is subtracted at line 85. The imputed rent on tenant's improvements is added back at line 59, and the depreciation on occupier's buildings and improvements is subtracted at line 69. The rental value for owner occupiers is added back at line 60, and occupier's landlord type expenses are deducted at line 70.

(c) Unpaid labour is added back at line 61 and any other imputed items are added back at line 62. The latter will include board and lodging (i.e. the benefit value, at prescribed old AWB rates, of residing or taking meals in the farmhouse which is included within workers' gross wages and salaries) and the value of the farmer's or spouse's labour used in erecting a building or establishing a permanent crop. Any interest received is added at line 63, whilst total interest paid is deducted at line 71.

(d) The revaluation of assets during the year will alter the net worth. For property or improvements, any appreciation should be added at line 56 and any reduction deducted at line 66. For machinery, glasshouses, permanent crops and tenant-type quotas, any appreciation is added at line 83 and any decline deducted at line 86. For livestock, any appreciation (i.e. positive figure for BLSA) is added at line 84 and any decline deducted at line 87. Any other adjustments to asset valuations, including Basic Payment Scheme Entitlements, should be added at line 58 if positive and subtracted at line 68 if negative.

(e) Transfers out to off farm investments, i.e. investments in capital outside the farm business are deducted at line 72, and those for private expenditure at line 73. The former comprise transfers to personal building society accounts, the purchase of stocks and shares, the purchase of property and other assets unconnected with the farm business, and the payment of capital gains tax. The latter comprise drawings to pay personal taxes, corporation tax, private insurance premiums, national insurance for farmer and spouse and living expenses. Details can be given in the unnumbered spaces.

(f) Transfers into the business may come from off-farm investments or from other private funds, such as earned and unearned income from off-farm sources. Any transfers of this kind should be added at line 76 under funds introduced.

(g) Windfall gains (line 88) should include, the total sale value of a fixed asset sold for a windfall gain, over and above its expected agricultural value (e.g. land and/or buildings for development). Where a farmer receives a lump sum for wayleave payments for the next 20 years or more from an electricity or mobile phone company etc., this should be recorded as a windfall gain; if it is not paid as a lump sum, but as a yearly payment, it should be recorded in Section I.

Recording revenue for Options should also be recorded as a Windfall Gain. As it is not a farm activity and the survey is essentially feeding back farm business activities to ensure it is not distorting the FBI it should all be a windfall gain. This may include companies excavating/quarrying materials, fracking and options from Green Energy companies.

(h) Any receipts not included in net farm income and not included in opening debtors should be entered in line 77 ('other receipts'). These will include the difference between any estimated subsidies received as due the previous year and the actual subsidies received (this will be a positive figure if the actual was greater than the estimate). Also included will be entries in Section D lines 48 and 55 to 60. As it will contain the difference between livestock subsidies paid and the estimates of those subsidies in the previous year, the entry in line 77 may be positive or negative. Any receipt in the form of capital grants for buildings and improvements should be added at line 78; only the occupier's share is recorded here, unlike in lines 31 and 32 col. 6, where the total grant on joint landlord/tenant investment is entered. Capital grants on machinery, glasshouses and permanent crops, to be added at line 79.

(i) Where transfers of funds between the farm business and private accounts take place in both directions within the same accounting year, these should be combined and the resulting net figure included in either line 72 (Transfers out to off-farm investments) or line 76 (Funds introduced) as appropriate.

11. SECTION H1 - VAT

1. **VAT Status** (line 1) (all farms)

Value Added Tax (VAT) is charged on almost all inputs and non-food outputs from the agricultural industry and is shown separately on all invoices.

Most farm businesses are registered for VAT. This means that the business must pay VAT on inputs but it is then entitled to claim it back from H.M. Revenue and Customs (HMRC); the business must also charge VAT on the sale of goods and services that attract VAT (e.g. contract work, sale of flowers, ornamental plants and wool) and this must be paid over to HMRC. Note that sales of food products are zero rated for VAT purposes (i.e. sales of products such as milk, cereals and livestock etc. do not attract VAT).

Some small businesses may opt to be exempt (or zero rated) for VAT purposes; these businesses cannot reclaim VAT paid on inputs and cannot charge VAT on outputs.

Additionally, farm businesses may choose the flat rate scheme for small businesses. Under this scheme the farm cannot reclaim VAT paid on inputs, but they can charge VAT at the standard rate on goods and services that attract VAT; however, they are only obliged to repay a proportion of the VAT charged over to HMRC (currently 6.5% of the gross value of sales – including VAT at the standard rate).

The following codes should be used to indicate the VAT status of the farm:-

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Exempt
2	Registered
3	Flat rate scheme

2. **Recording expenditure and income in the FAS24**

All entries (expenditure and revenue) in the FAS24 must be exclusive of VAT for farms that are registered for VAT.

For farms that are exempt (or zero rated) expenditure and revenue (where applicable) will be inclusive of VAT.

For farms that have chosen the flat rate scheme, expenditure will be inclusive of VAT but revenue (where applicable) will be the gross value of sales (inclusive of the standard rate of VAT) less the amount of VAT repaid (at the lower rate 6.5%) to HMRC.

3. **VAT Paid on Current Expenses** (line 3) (for exempt farms only - leave blank for registered farms)

The total amount of VAT paid on current expenditure on exempt and flat rate farms should be recorded here. This line should be left blank for registered farms.

This records the VAT paid by the farm on items of expenditure, except expenditure on fixed assets. Include VAT paid on stocks which are still in store at the end of the year (and therefore in the closing valuation).

4. **VAT Payable on Fixed Equipment** (line 4) Record here the VAT which is paid by exempt and flat rate farms on items of fixed assets such as machinery. Leave blank for registered farms

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12. **SECTION H4 - CALCULATION OF NET and FARM BUSINESS INCOME**

1. Transfer all the totals from the previous sections to this summary section remembering to (-) in the box provided where the figure is negative. Where no sign is provided it is taken as being positive.

2. Net farm income, excluding BLSA (line 106)

The entry in this line should be the product of net farm income excluding BLSA and excluding write offs from bad debts (108).

Integrated System: Section H

H4 calculates net farm income by bringing together the various component totals of income and costs, with the exception of exceptional items.

Two working tables identify the changes in livestock, crop and store valuations, and can be used to enter co-operators own details for comparison purposes. The difference in valuation links into a summary table which takes the FAS24 net farm income, and makes a series of adjustments to calculate a figure closer to a traditional farm profit. Farm business income has the imputed elements removed, while interest is included.

13. SECTION I – MISCELLANEOUS AND INTEGRATED NON-AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES

General

1. Section I covers all the miscellaneous revenue not recorded in Section C and E. This section is to be used to record non-production specific and environmental subsidies, the output from non-agricultural activities that are fully integrated into the farm business (and an indication of the costs involved with these activities), and other miscellaneous revenue.

N.B. the output from all these receipts and activities will form part of overall farm output and as such will be included in the calculation of Net Farm Income.

Payments and revenues from the following schemes and activities are all to be included here:

- (a) Non-production specific subsidies, including Basic Payment Schemes (see codes 251 to 264, and 830 to 835 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
- (b) Agri-environment scheme payments, including Entry and Higher Level Stewardship, Countryside Stewardship and Environmentally Sensitive Areas (see codes 212 to 244, 262 to 271 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
- (c) Payments for project based schemes, including income from feed-in tariffs arising from green technology electric generating operations (see codes 751 to 755 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
- (d) Other grants and subsidies (see codes 272 to 299 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
- (e) Non-government environmental grants (code 290), include any environmental grant from a non-government organisation, such as a water company, wildlife charity, etc.
- (f) Non-agricultural activities that are fully integrated into the farm business (see para. 2 below for a definition of “fully integrated”). Such activities will include:
 - (i) Processing and retailing of farm produce (see codes 100 to 142 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (ii) Revenue from rent and wayleaves, including the imputed rent (private share) of the farmhouse; (see codes 300 to 390 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (iii) Revenue from recreational activities (see codes 400 to 421 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (iv) Revenue from tourist accommodation and catering activities (see codes 500 to 540 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (v) Revenue from trading, manufacturing and rural crafts (see codes 600 to 620 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (vi) Revenue from the provision of services (see codes 700 to 730 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (vii) Other miscellaneous receipts (see codes 900 to 990 in Appendix 12 for a comprehensive list).
 - (viii) Green technology receipts (see codes 750 to 755 in Appendix 12)

It should be noted that the output, costs and margins from Section I activities are fully reflected within net farm income (Section H), and in the record of the liabilities and assets of the farm business (Section G).

2. Non-agricultural activities that are fully integrated into the farm business are activities whose very existence depends on the core farming activity and thus the outputs from them are included in net farm income. A flow chart in paragraph 4 of section I aids the allocation of non-agricultural enterprises to either:

- (a) Section I
- (b) Section K (Wales only) or Ignored for purpose of recording in FBS (England)

3. A specific activity such as, say, milk retailing may be classed as fully integrated on one farm (and thus recorded in Section I) while, on another, it may be classed as independent having out-grown its links with the farm and become a fully-independent activity (and recorded in Section K (Wales only) or ignored for the purpose of FBS recording (England)). Which group it belongs to is sometimes associated with scale and the stage within the activity's 'life cycle'. While, ultimately, it must be left to the Research Officers judgement to decide which section a given activity on a farm should be recorded under, it is hoped that the definitions provide sufficient guidance for a positive and unambiguous decision in most cases.

4. In summary, the principle in Section I is to record at least an estimate of the identifiable outputs and costs for those "non-agricultural" business enterprises which may be regarded as 'fully integrated'. Where costs are known not to be incurred by an activity then they need not be attributed – the activity should not bear a share of costs where this would be inappropriate. Where actual costs are known these should be used in preference to any broad estimates.

Integrated System: Section I

The electronic version of the FAS24 has five worksheets for recording section I activities.

These are:

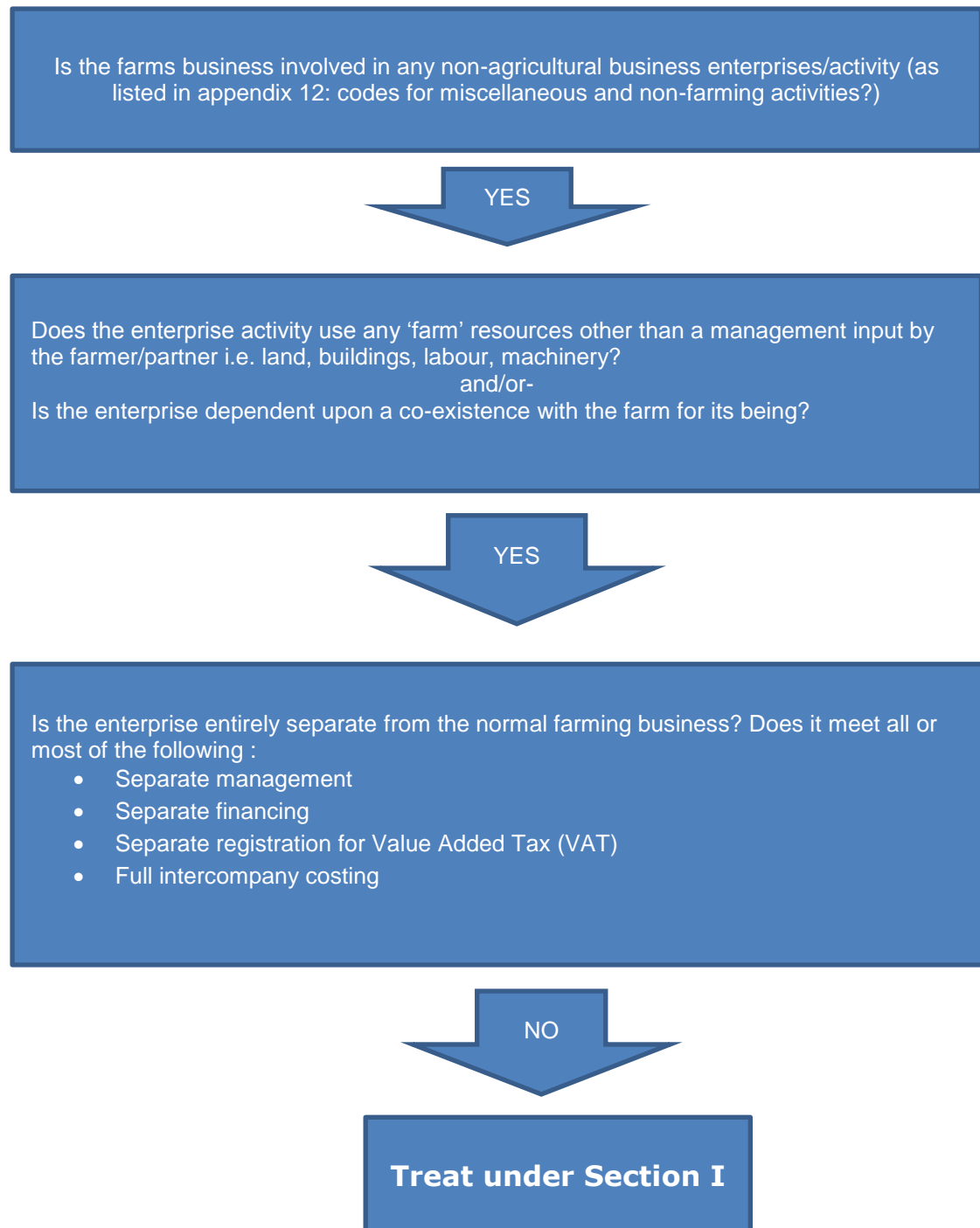
Section I (resale elements): This is for recording the output net of valuation and private share for those semi-integrated activities that involve an element of retailing or selling on. It also includes capital grant calculations for machinery, glasshouses and permanent crops. Values are automatically carried forward to the Section I (RO input) and Section I (Defra) worksheets.

Section I (RO input): The output data from the previous worksheet is carried forward to the appropriate lines on this worksheet. All costs that can be apportioned by the RO are entered here. Rows 811 to 823 (Basic Payment Scheme) are populated from the "BPS" worksheet

Section I (Calculations): This worksheet calculates the overhead shares of costs based on the various cost apportionment methodologies outlined at paragraphs 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14. Those shares of costs already identified by RO's as directly applicable to Section I activities are excluded from the overhead calculations

Section I (Defra) shows the sum of the RO identified costs (Section I (RO input)) and the calculated overhead costs Section I (Calculations)) and are the data that will be submitted to Defra

Section I (Summary) shows a summary of the section I data into the main cost headings of variable, labour, machinery, general costs, land and property, occupiers expenses and farmer and spouse labour.

Flow chart to aid allocation of non-agricultural business activity (Section I) that is integrated within the farm business

5. **Appendix 12** gives a full list of the codes for recording individual activities with further details relating to the calculation of individual items. The use of code 900 (miscellaneous receipts) should be kept to a minimum and only where there is no other more suitable code. In addition an explanation should be provided of what is included. For example, incidental sales of honey totalling less than £2000 per annum should be recorded under code 900.

Definitions of the Columns

6. Output (column 1)

In order to prevent double-counting, any output recorded in Section I should not be recorded in any other Section of the FAS 24. However, in most cases, the farm records alone will not be sufficient to distinguish how much of the final output is attributable to the core farm business and how much to the integrated activity, especially those of a value-added activity. The apportionment of output in these cases can usually be obtained only by estimation. In the case of small scale integrated cheese-making, for example, it will be necessary for Research Officers to estimate what would be an appropriate wholesale price for the milk transferred from the core farming business to the cheese-making enterprise. On this basis, the output attributable to the milk production alone can be entered in Section E and the output due to the conversion of this milk into cheese can be entered into Section I; the output recorded in Section I would be the value of cheese sold less the wholesale value of the milk transferred from the core farming business (also see Section E, para.7). Output is defined as the revenue plus the closing valuation minus the opening valuation.

- (a) Where products are purchased for resale (e.g. in order to extend the range of products in a farm shop) the purchase costs should be netted off sales and only the 'profit on resale' recorded, after due allowance for changes between the opening and closing valuations of such products.
- (b) The total output from integrated non-agricultural activities should be recorded with an activity code of 999. This total is to be entered in line 77 of Section H.

7. Costs (columns 7, 11 to 62)

It is unlikely that a full detailed breakdown of costs would be available for all miscellaneous and integrated non-agricultural activities on all farms. Nevertheless, for each activity as much detail on costs as is feasible should be recorded. All costs attributable to Section I activities must also be included in Section F (columns 1 to 7) the element of those costs subsequently apportioned to Section I activities should also be entered in column 9, of Section F. These costs are entered on the Section I (RO input) sheet.

Labour (columns 11 to 14 and 56, Directors Remuneration) For Section I activities, ROs should allocate **direct labour costs** only; an element of **overhead labour costs** for each activity (including BPS and AE) in Section I will be added automatically at the rate of 16% in the Integrated System Fieldbook. **Labour hours** for Section I activities should be allocated in Section B, which then feeds into Section I. This labour allocation should only include an allocation for actual labour hours.

8. Machinery Costs (columns 15 to 18 and 21 & 22 and 59 & 60)

ROs should allocate direct machinery cost to activities within Section I, **where known**. In addition, an "**overhead Machinery Cost**" will be allocated (for each of the following costs - Contract, Machinery Rental, Machinery equipment valuation etc, repairs and small tools, vehicle fuels and oils, car mileage expenses) on the basis outlined below, taking into account the output of the activity, with Agri-environment, Basic Payment Scheme, and Rental Income allocation 'dampened down' to reflect the lower requirement of these activities for overhead machinery costs. Overhead machinery costs to all other activities will be allocated on the basis of their full output. The proportion of total machinery costs defined as "overhead" will draw upon previous research. The following activities will be excluded from the apportionment of overhead machinery costs and the value of their output will be excluded from the apportionment methodology within Section I: [Imputed farm cottage rental income (321 & 340), capital credits (940), appropriate share of machinery grants (276), appropriate share of glasshouse grants (277), permanent crop establishment grants (274), disaster aid (272), FMD Distress donations (990), Co-op trading bonuses (930), Miscellaneous insurance receipts (950)]. The apportionment of machinery general farming costs to other Section I activities can be found at appendix 25.

The cost allocated within Section I is then the direct machinery cost allocation plus the overhead machinery cost from the above formulaic approach. Note that this approach will allocate an overhead

machinery cost for each type of cost where there is a positive output for the activity in Section I, for the listed machinery cost categories (assuming that the individual machinery cost for the business is greater than the cost already allocated to Section I, as will occur in most cases; where the machinery cost for the business is all allocated by the RO directly to activities in Section I, there will not be an “overhead” element to allocate via the mechanistic approach). Note that the machinery cost allocated to Agriculture will be the total machinery cost for the farm business minus the sum of machinery costs directly allocated in Section I and the overhead machinery costs apportioned to Section I.

9. Variable costs (columns 23 to 30, 52 to 55)

These are allocated directly by the RO.

10. General Farming Costs (columns 31 to 38)

For Section I activities **general farming costs** are allocated directly by an RO *where these are known*. In addition, an “**overhead General Farming Cost**” is allocated (for each cost, e.g. electricity, professional fees) on the basis outlined below, taking into account the output of the activity, with Agri-environment, Basic Payment Scheme, and Rental Income allocation ‘dampened down’ to reflect their lower requirement of these activities for general farming costs. General farming costs to other activities will be allocated on the basis of their full output. The following activities will be excluded from the apportionment of **overhead** general farming costs and the value of their output will be excluded from the apportionment methodology within Section I: [imputed farm cottage rental income (321 & 340), capital credits (940), appropriate share of machinery grants (276), appropriate share of glasshouse grants (277), permanent crop establishment grants (274), disaster aid (272), FMD Distress donations (990), Co-op trading bonuses (930), Miscellaneous insurance receipts (950)]. The apportionment of overhead general farming costs to other Section I activities can be found at appendix 25.

The cost allocated and apportioned within Section I is then the direct cost allocation *plus* the overhead general farming cost from the above formulaic approach. Note that this approach will allocate an overhead general farming cost for each type of cost where there is a positive output for the activity in Section I, for each general farming cost category (assuming that the individual general farming cost for the business is greater than the cost already allocated to Section I, as will occur in most cases; where the general farming cost for the business is all allocated by the RO directly to activities in Section I, there will not be an “overhead” element to allocate via the mechanistic approach).

11. Land and Property Costs (columns 39 to 46, 61 and 62)

For agri-environment (AE) and Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) (and Agriculture) activities, **land and property costs** (including rent/rental value) be allocated on the basis outlined below; this aspect being based upon cost allocation that takes into account the Gross Margin (GM) derived to the farm business from each of Agriculture, AE and BPS, and allocates land and property costs on this basis. The GM basis is proposed for Agriculture, AE and BPS, because it is at GM level that a farmer makes a decision about which, and whether, to grow crops or produce livestock products, or not undertake any Agriculture activity. As the level of Agriculture activity falls on a farm, the allocation of land and property costs would increasingly fall on the BPS cost centre if the farm business only undertook Agriculture and BPS activities. The logical conclusion being that if a farmer ceased Agriculture production, all land and property costs would be apportioned to the BPS cost centre; if a farmer used only a small area of a farm for Agriculture and the majority under BPS without production, the majority of land and property costs would be apportioned to BPS. In typical examples, where all land is used for Agriculture, BPS (and AE), the majority of land and property costs would be apportioned to Agriculture unless the GM derived from Agriculture was particularly low. Land and property costs that are directly allocated to / for specific AE schemes (e.g. repair and maintenance of stiles) will be deducted from the total land and property costs to be apportioned across Agriculture, BPS and AE to ensure no double counting of costs occurs. Rent/rental value to diversified activities with income bearing assets will draw upon ROs applying the rental allocation to income bearing assets approach currently in use within the FBS. For those diversified activities with no income bearing assets, no overhead rent is applied. The remaining property costs will be allocated to all diversified enterprises on the basis of gross margins.

The proposed apportionment of rent / land and property costs for Agriculture, AE and BPS is set out in more detail at appendix 25.

12. Occupiers Expenses (columns 47 to 49)

Occupiers expenses (buildings works & net depreciation, insurance of farm buildings, landlord type repairs) will be applied and apportioned using the same methodology as land and property costs (tenants repairs & rates) noted above in paragraph 11.

13. Interest Charged and Received (columns 57 and 58)

Whilst excluded from NFI, interest is included within the calculation of FBI. The current apportionment of interest in the FBS as detailed in Table 9 of the GOR reports is "Interest payments have been allocated between cost centres in proportion to costs, and interest received in proportion to output.

14. Margin (column 7)

The spreadsheet calculates column 7 automatically by subtracting the costs in columns 11 to 62 from the output (column 1).

15. Hours Worked Annually

When a miscellaneous or fully integrated agricultural activity is recorded, an estimate should be made of the number of manual hours worked annually by the farmer and spouse on this activity. These hours should be included in the hours worked annually in the section B (labour) as they relate to the core farm activity.

Integrated System: Section I (RO input)

The Section I item columns 11 to 58 are the various rows from Section F, and represent the non agricultural activity costs which will appear in Section F item column 9. Thus variable costs are the sum of shares of costs in row items 17 to 30.

The top rows of the spreadsheet identify the total costs, total farm type costs (from Section F) and the share that a Section I cost represents of the total cost to highlight potential over allocation. The value of labour (paid and unpaid) attributable to section I activities is calculated within section B and transferred to Section I via column 9 of rows 1 and 2 in section F1. Any discrepancy between this value and the allocation amongst section I activities results in an "error" message in row 9.

Non-agricultural machinery depreciation is generated from coding used within the MCDEPN worksheet and glasshouse and permanent crop depreciation from GLASDEPN and ORCHDEPN respectively.

16. Dealing with Section I costs where there is no output

It is permissible to have an enterprise with no output, but to have costs. Although this may generate a validation check, an appropriate explanation may be given.

Examples may include new solar panels but with no generation in the financial year, resulting in depreciation costs but no output; or a new development creating a negative margin in its early years; or professional fees for setting up a new environmental agreement with zero output in the first year resulting in a negative margin.

17. Planning costs for a Section I activity

Planning costs for a Section I activity should be capitalised with the cost of the development, these should either be allocated as a payment in advance, to be capitalised the following year when the development progresses, or if the development does not progress it would then become part of the farm costs

Definition of Rows

18. Codes Removed in 2019/20 - none

19. Processing and Retailing of Farm Produce (lines 100 to 142)

Only the net output from activities involving the resale of purchased agricultural produce should be recorded in column 1 for the purpose of Farm Business Income calculations. However the cost of purchases should be included in Rows 100:142 column 103, so that the value of the product transferred or purchased for further processing can be identified. Also, the percentage of gross output derived from home produced crops and livestock should be recorded in Rows 100:142 column 104.

20. Management Agreements, Agri-environment payments and other Subsidies (lines 212 to 244)

All direct costs associated *with these schemes should be recorded e.g. hedge planting and grass seed. Where fixed costs are increased by a scheme these should be recorded on a pro-rata basis e.g. grass cutting.* In some instances there may be a case for including only the marginal increase in fixed costs e.g. hedge cutting and in such cases a degree of RO estimation may be necessary.

21. Project Based Schemes (lines 252 to 256)

- a) Vocational Training (line 254) – payments received by the farming business for training provided by the farm

22. Other Grants and subsidies (lines 271, 272, 273 & 275)

Compensation payments to farmers such as those following extreme weather events should be recorded gross under code 272. Any extra costs incurred by the farmer to qualify for compensation should also be recorded gross in Section FI. There should be no recording of these costs in Section I to set against the entry at I272.

23. Annual share of Permanent Crop Establishment, Machinery and Glasshouse Capital Grants (lines 274, 276 & 277)

- These lines should be used to record any capital grants from **Countryside Productivity & LEADER Schemes** (see Section S paragraph 13);
- Producer Organisations to cover the cost of establishing permanent crops or for capital improvements such as cold store improvement or the erection of polytunnels. A more detailed explanation can be found at section F, paragraph 20;
- Other Schemes where grants received for machinery, glasshouses or permanent crops
- A Ten Year Distribution of Capital Grants working table is recorded in the ISFAS24 (Section I - resale elements worksheet).
- **Polytunnels have a shorter life and use a Five Year Distribution of Capital Grants working table**

24. Non-Government environmental grant (line 290)

Grants for environmental services received from non-government organisations e.g. a water company, such as 'Severn Trent Cash for Catchments'

25. Rent and Wayleaves (lines 310 to 390)

Depreciation on any building improvements and business rates should be included as costs against rental income.

Line 321 – Imputed rent for tenant farmers living in the farmhouse.

For tenanted farms where the tenant lives in the farmhouse, an imputed private share of farmhouse rent should be included in Section I, line 321; using the following amounts depending on the business circumstances: £0; £1,000; £3,000; £6,000 & £9,000.

The reason for only including the private share of the farmhouse rent for tenanted farms where the farmhouse is occupied by the farmer is that gross rent paid by the tenant includes farmhouse rent for both the business and private share, whereas net field rent calculated for owner occupiers does not include the private share of farmhouse rent

Integrated System: Imputed Rent for Farmhouses
(Rental value & tenanted FH rent Sheet in the IS FAS24)

For tenanted farms where the tenant lives in the farmhouse, an imputed private share of farmhouse rent should be included in Section I, derived from this page; see i) below.

The reason for only including the private share of the farmhouse rent for tenanted farms where the farmhouse is occupied by the farmer is that gross rent paid by the tenant includes farmhouse rent for both the business and private share, whereas net field rent calculated for owner occupiers does not include the private share of farmhouse rent.

- i. Use either:
- a. £0
 - b. £1,000 for rents up to £10k per annum
 - c. £3,000 for rents over £10k and up to £20k per annum
 - d. £6,000 for rent over £20k and up to £40k per annum
 - e. £9,000 for rents over £40k per annum, where condition & scale of farmhouse justifies using highest option for private share of farmhouse rent on tenanted farms

The annual rent above relates to the tenancy that includes the farmhouse only, and not the sum of multiple tenancies

Depending on the amount of rent actually paid which in practice ought to leave a realistic rent for the rest of the farm [land, BPS, buildings & business share of farmhouse rent].

Option a) £0 is only for exceptional cases where farmer is bound by circumstances to live on the farm under extreme circumstances such as, for example, a National Trust Farm half way up a mountain, where it is deemed not to be a perquisite, though unlikely to see any significant use made of this for farms in the FBS in England.

- ii. **On the Rental value & tenanted FH sheet enter this figure in cell O51, which is linked to Section I, line 321 (Imputed rent for tenant farmers living in the farmhouse)**

Line 330 – Cash rent for farm cottages

Rent received by the farm business by people living in farm accommodation, regardless of whether they have a direct connection with the farm. This would include mobile homes & bunk houses. Investment properties purchased away from the holding should be excluded from the farm business.

Lines 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386 and 390

Wayleaves, renewable energy installations, rental of land for solar parks, rent received for non-farm owned wind turbines, rent received for non-farm owned mobile phones masts, rent received for non-farm owned rent for Anaerobic Digester (AD plants) and rent received from irrigation and heating for glasshouses

Note that **code 381** is a generic code where using codes 382 to 386 would breach confidentiality rules

The land area used for Solar Parks should be recorded in Section A row 19 (Other areas), and not part of the UAA. If the area is also used to graze sheep around the solar panels, a suitable adjustment should be made to the area, with an area included in Section C3 grassland and the remainder in Section A row 19 (Other areas).

When regular payments are made each year to farmers by electricity companies, mobile phone companies etc. for structures erected on their land, this should be treated as rent and placed in Section I in the appropriate line number. If the farmer receives one lump sum payment for the rights to use the land for a fixed period in the future (e.g. next 20 years or more) this should be recorded in Section G as a windfall gain - see [Section G](#) instructions paragraph 35(g).

26. Equine Activities (line 410)

Apart from keeping horses for breeding, equine activities such as livery and riding schools are not regarded as agricultural according to the Standard Industrial Classification, and as such are recorded as semi-integrated activities in Section I. Their presence needs to be recorded for SGM and SLR purposes and an average number is required in Section E Row 86, Column 18. If horses have access to grazing or are provided with fodder grown on the farm, then the effective average number of horses in this category **must** be recorded in Section E and on the Livestock and forage calculations page in the IS FAS24 (Refer to Appendix 24 for recording of equine activities within IS FAS 24.

Examples of which include:

- Money received for teaching/schooling clients and their horses on informal basis
- Money received from formal Riding School and Competition Yards Activities
- Money received from toll rides
- Money received from hosting horse & pony shows

27. Livery (line 411)

For the purposes of the FBS, the only type of equine activity to be recorded under livery, and also carrying average numbers in Section E, is that where horses owned by a third party are provided with grazing and or stabling as a service provided by the farmer. This will include full, part and DIY livery activity. It does not include riding schools and competition yards, which should be recorded under Equine Activities [code 410]. It also does not include livery businesses run by a third party that simply rent the land and buildings from the farmer for the purposes of running a livery.

- Examples of which include: Money received for provision of stabling
- Money received for grazing
- Money received for forage sales to clients
- Money received for consumable goods re-sold to clients e.g. bedding, feed
- Money received for services re-charged to clients e.g. vet, farriery costs

See Livestock and Forage Working Sheet (Section M) of the IS FAS24 to allocate forage costs for Livery within Section I (Note: it is necessary for this worksheet to be completed simultaneously with allocating other costs to Section I activities)

Within the livestock and forage sheet calculations, the forage costs are apportioned across a range of livestock classes. These classes of stock are then coded subject to the enterprise type, and these details are carried forward into Section M. Equine activities forage costs however appear in both Section M and Section I, with Section I showing a more detailed breakdown of the equine output into equine activities and livery. Within Section I, the forage costs default to row 411 (livery), however the RO can apportion forage costs to item row 410 by making entries in row 410 and this figure is then deducted from 411 to ensure that the total forage costs associated with the horse enterprises remains the same.

See appendix 24 for a summary of completing Livery activities

28. Green Technology (lines 750 to 755)

This includes the generation of electricity from wind, sun and anaerobic digestion and the generation of heat.

To be a Section I (diversified activity) producing energy, the activity should have a monetary output. For instance receipts of Feed in Tariff (FIT), Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI), and/or sale of electricity/gas to the National Grid or sale of electric/heat to tenants on the property

If not it should be treated as an agricultural activity and the input costs will be entered directly into Section F1. For instance some older installations are used just to produce heat and predate any RHI incentives.

Producing electric from Wind & Solar Power (lines 751 & 752)**Generation of Electric (output)**

- FIT (Feed in Tariff) Revenue, this includes:
 - Feed in Tariff (FIT) – payment received for generating electric, plus
 - Electric sold to the Grid – payment received for selling electric to the Grid
- Electric used on farm (own use) – an estimated value of the amount of electric generated that is used on farm

Calculating Electric used on farm

For many of the older schemes that only record the amount of electric generated, it is assumed that half of the electric is sold, and that the other half is used on farm. The electric used on farm should use the same rate that it is sold to the grid

Wherever possible Research Officers should find out from the farmer the total FIT units generated, however only the amount of units used on farm should be entered in column P (Units) of Section I (resale elements) in the IS FAS24

Normally the exported amount is around 50% of the total units generated and is usually paid at between 3 and 4p per unit if installation is prior to August 2012 and 5.4p if after August 2012, (look-up table on <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/environmental-programmes/feed-tariff-fit-scheme/tariff-tables>)

The price (Pence per unit of the exported electric) is entered in column Q (Price) of Section I (resale elements) in the IS FAS24 – this is used to calculate the value of energy used on the farm

If the total units of energy generated is not available an estimation can be calculated using the FIT rate and the export rate. This may need to be queried with the farmer as rates vary depending on when the energy source was established.

Example calculation:

- £2,000 received
- FIT of 30p/unit and Export of 3p/unit
- Assuming only half the electric is exported
- Divide 'export rate' by 2 and add to FIT rate so 31.5p/unit (30+ (3/2)) then
- Divide £2,000 by 31.5 = 6,349 units
- Therefore 3,175 units exported and 3,175 home use
- i.e. 6,349 units @ 30p/unit generated = £1,905 plus 3,175 units @ 3p/unit exported = £95
- Equals Total revenue £2,000

Generation of Heat (line 755)

Heat generation, unlike Green Electric, usually involves the purchase of a product to burn in order to produce heat.

Heat Production that involves the receipt of a Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) should be regarded as a Section I activity [Section I, line 755]:

- Receipt of RHI should be recorded in Section I(resale elements), line 755, column FIT/RHI
- The purchase of the product to produce heat should be recorded in Section I(resale elements), line 755, column 'purchased materials'. This is also adjusted for opening and closing valuations.
 - Note: Net usage is calculated in the working sheet 'Section I resale' from purchases plus opening stocks, less closing stocks, plus home-used materials
- Where the farm uses their own wood rather than purchasing woodchip, record a sundry woodland output in Section I (line 920) [Value of wood used for RHI generation], and also record the same value in RHI (line 755) under home used materials [all on the Section I resale sheet]
- Straw or main crops used for energy should also be treated in the same way.
 - If used for RHI energy, record the cost under home use in Section I
 - If used just for heat with no RHI, record the cost under other fuels, as before

Heat used on farm:

RHI payments are based on the levels of heat generated, and so payment will relate directly to output. If the units of heat produced are known and there is an **actual sale price** for the heat (as opposed to the RHI) then the energy used on farm may be calculated from these figures and fed through to Section F as a cost of heat.

However, in most cases there will be no unit price for the sale of heat, and so the energy used on farm should equate to the actual cost of the woodchip. **Manually record the Net usage figure as Energy used on farm.**

The heat used on farm goes into Section F as a cost under other fuels. This can then be split to agriculture (used for glasshouse heating/poultry building) or home use (heating farmhouses) or Section I (farm cottages etc.)

Example:

- Receive £5000 RHI for generating heat, plus the value of the heat, less the cost of the woodchip:
 - £5000 entered in Section I (resale elements) with code 755 for RHI, column FIT/RHI revenue
 - A sum entered for heat produced [Section I(resale elements) –energy used on farm]
 - In this example value of woodchip regarded as value of heat (£3000)
 - Could also be based on Kw hours produced at so many p/Kw
 - Would require KW hours produced from farmer
 - The actual cost of the wood chip is deducted from output
 - [Section I(resale elements)- purchased materials]
 - Purchase of woodchip + opening stocks, less closing stocks + home use of straw
- Profit in Section I (£5000 RHI less £3000 woodchip plus £3000 heat used on farm equals £5000 output)
- Contra of heat goes to Section F1 (line 94) own use and allocated to Agriculture
 - Reason for methodology:
 - Agriculture has a fuel cost as benefits from heat
 - Total fuel costs in Section F1 are not double counted
 - Section I has a true profit

Output is the grant/subsidy+value home generated fuel, less home produced energy source	Output	OV purchased materials	Purchased materials	CV purchased materials	Home used materials	Net usage	FIT/RHI revenue	Energy used on farm	Units	Price(pence)
		105	106	107	108	109				
Green technology	750	0				0		0		
Wind power	751	0						0		
Solar power	752	0						0		
Anaerobic digestion	753	0				0		0		
Other energy generating activities	754	0				0		0		
Renewable Heat Initiative	755	5000	3000			3000	5000	3000		

Note

This is only for heat generation activities where the farmer is in receipt of Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI). If woodchip or straw is burnt in an existing boiler and the farmer does not receive RHI, then the costs go straight to Section F1 and it is not a Section I activity (green technology)

A flowchart to aid completion of FAS24 where renewable heat incentive (RHI) received by the farmer for generation of heat.

Is a renewable heat incentive (RHI) payment being received by the farmer for generation of heat

YES

- Record RHI payment at I755
- Subtract cost of material used for generating heat (usually woodchip) from I755
- By contra
 - The value of heat used on farm is added to I755 (RHI output) using the energy used on farm column
 - This is then a cost which is carried through to section F(94)[3]
- Complete other cost allocations to I755 activity as normal e.g. depreciation of biomass boiler (100%)

AD (Anaerobic Digestion) Plants

These primarily produce electric/gas, but will also produce heat as well.

They can use a combination of crops (forage maize, forage rye), possibly grass silage, slurry, food waste, etc.

Where the heat is utilised a value should be recorded

Home Produced Energy Sources for Section I activities:**Wood**

Where the farmer uses their own wood for a boiler, the value of the wood should be recorded in Section I(resale elements), line 920 (Sundry woodland sales), column (value of wood used for RHI Generation)

This also shows in cell L49 (Home Produced Energy sources), for information.

The value should then be allocated in the column Home used materials, on the relevant line (RHI)

There is an error check in cell L50 to make sure that this has been allocated

Crops (Section C2)

All crops grown for energy production require a Type code 11

Examples of crops for energy:

- 415 Maize
- 31 Forage Rye
- 99 Miscanthus
- 107 Short rotation
- 87 Other specialist energy crops

Record the crop in Section C2, and where used on farm complete columns 33 & 33 (Used on farm-fed or for energy production)

The total automatically goes to cell C36 (Total use on farm)

The default allocates this to feed as that is the most common use

If it is to be used for energy production, enter the value in cell T37

Crops (Section C1)

These crops are brought forward from last year's closing valuation to this year's opening valuation

Note that the Type code stays at 9 (previous year's crop)

Record the crop in Section C1, and where used on farm complete columns 33 & 33 (Used on farm-fed or for energy production)

The total defaults to cell N35 (Total fed on farm)

The default allocates this to feed as that is the most common use

If it is to be used for energy production, enter the value in cell N36

Crop By-products (Section C3)**Straw**

On the working straw page, straw can be sold, fed, used for bedding and other home uses (includes used as an energy crop) – columns Q, R & S

If straw is to be used for energy (e.g. a straw boiler) where receive RHI, enter value in cell S42

Error check in cell S44 then cleared

Note, can also record straw for heating without RHI payments in cell S41. There are some straw boilers that pre-date these schemes. This goes straight to Section F1 (heating) rather than a Section I activity

Straw used for energy crops is brought forward to Section C3, cell P11. It is on a different line to ordinary straw as it requires a different type code 11

Other By-products

Enter a crop code 323 to 328, and use Type code 11

Dealing with Home produced Energy sources in Section I

The value of all of the aforementioned crops, by-products & wood go forward to cell L49 in Section I(resale elements), labelled as 'Home produced energy sources'. These should then be allocated in the different rows (753, 754 & 755)

An error check in cell L50, shows whether this has been done correctly (says Error or OK)

Allocating heating costs in Section F1, row 94

The value put in for heating used on farm in Section I will come forward to row 94 (other fuels). This figure also includes crops/by-products that are used directly for heating that are not a Section I activity and do not attract an RHI receipt. E.g. straw used for a boiler that was put in before RHI scheme started

Treat this heating as you would any heating fuel:

- Remember private shares
- Section I activities – heating tenanted cottages
- Crop drying – remember Section C2 crop drying
- Heating glasshouses – remember to complete Section F2, row 71 as well (Glasshouse heating costs)

Recording Output in Section I

The output is brought forward from Section I (resale elements)

The output in Column 1 is then split between Columns 101 & 102

Column 102

- Value of Feed in Tariff (FIT) & Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) [receipts from the government], plus
- Plus value of energy actually sold (not used on farm)

Column 101 – Value of energy USED on farm, less costs of inputs

- The value of energy used on farm, net the cost of the products used to generate it
- Examples:
 - For boilers, the value of heat used on farm should equal the input costs, hence a zero value. It would only be positive if the farmer was actually able to sell heat
 - However, for a large AD plant, where most of the energy is sold, this figure could well be negative, as the small amount used on farm is outweighed by the very high value of inputs

Allocating costs in Section I

The main costs to remember are:

- Depreciation (wind turbines, solar panels, boilers, AD equipment)
- Labour
- Repairs

Note that the costs of growing energy crops should be allocated to the actual crop, and not Section I

29. Basic Payment Scheme (line 830).

The total annual receipts under the Basic Payment Scheme should be entered in column one. Any obvious costs such as professional fees, associated with the scheme should be entered in the appropriate column although the recording of cross compliance costs is not generally required unless they are readily distinguishable.

Financial data relating to the leasing in or out of entitlements should also be recorded in section I under codes 831 to 835. Revenue should be entered in column 1 whilst the cost of leasing in entitlements should be entered in column 2.

30. Environmental Grants (lines 211 to 299)

These are entered on an 'as received' basis

Countryside Stewardship mid and higher tier (codes 242 to 243) will be received by farmers from 2016/17. These have replaced the former ELS and HLS agreements.

Countryside Stewardship Capital Grants – where the capital grant received relates to an expenditure that has been capitalised in Section G, the grant should be recorded as a capital grant in Section G as well. However, where the expenditure has not been capitalised and is recorded in the account as a cost (occupier's repairs, labour, etc.), the grant should be recorded as income and entered in line 244. Where this is the case, the expenditure should also be recoded in Section I as an allocatable cost. This latter category relates to less significant activities, such as tree pollarding, hedge laying, etc.

31. Other miscellaneous receipts (lines 900 to 961)

Activity codes for recording miscellaneous and integrated non-agricultural activities are listed in Appendix 12 and are divided into categories.

Higher level headings are available for some categories and are to be used only when and if the farmer is unwilling to have the exact nature of the activity recorded or when the recording of the exact nature of the activity would be disclosive. In these circumstances the most detailed code possible should be used. . Output entered under the higher level headings should be exclusive of any activity that has already been included in any of its sub-categories.

For example:

If the farmer generated an output of £10,000 from alcoholic products from farm produce (code 114), and £5,000 from another, non-specified enterprise which is under the umbrella of processing and retailing of farm produce (code 100), then the entries would be as follows:

<u>Row (Activity Code)</u>	<u>Output</u>
100	£5,000
114	£10,000

There should be no case where the same row number is entered twice.

(a) Agricultural and non-agricultural hirework (lines 913 to 915)

Contracting costs should be allocated on a pro-rata basis, e.g. for a farm where say 450 ha. are combined at home and 50 ha. are combined on a contract basis for other farmers, 10% of the cost of running the combine (including depreciation) should be allocated to Section I.

Work performed off the holding using farm resources (labour, machinery, etc) should be entered as hirework using the relevant codes (913, 914 or 915). Agricultural hirework can be defined as agricultural work carried out on another holding (including horticultural holdings) providing machinery or labour separately (code 914) or providing labour and machinery together (code 915). All other hirework such as road maintenance, mowing playing fields and any forestry work should be classified as non-agricultural contracting (code 913).

(b) Capital Credits (line 940)

Where current costs, e.g. labour and materials, have been used to produce fixed assets or to make a major repair (such that it could be regarded as capital expenditure) and those costs have not been excluded from expenditure, an equivalent value (i.e. the sum of the relevant costs) must be entered in Section I Capital Credits (line 940). Whether or not such costs have been deducted from expenditure their total will also be included as an investment in buildings or improvements in Section G. This does not apply to small-scale land improvement schemes (surface treatment) which are treated as current costs and are excluded from the capital section.

32. FMD distress donations (line 990)

Distress donations were made to farmers following outbreaks of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) in 2001 and later years. Research officers should use their judgement as to whether a donation is clearly FMD related, in which case it should be entered in Section I (code 990). If not it should be included in Section K (Wales only) or ignored (England) for the purpose of FBS recording.

14. **MODULE K - FULLY INDEPENDENT ACTIVITIES OF FARMER AND SPOUSE (Wales only)**

General

1. This section is used to record the income of the farmer and spouse from sources that are fully-independent of the farm business. These sources are identified within Section K as follows:

- (a) Employment
- (b) Self-employment
- (c) Investments
- (d) Pensions
- (e) Social payments
- (f) Other income not elsewhere specified

This section records the income of the farmer and spouse from activities that are **fully independent** of the farming business (this will include income from business activities and work carried out off the farm as an employee or on a self-employed basis, income from investments, pensions, social benefits and other sources).

Unlike Section I, profits from business activities and other income recorded in Section K do not contribute to Net Farm Income (NFI)/Farm Business Income (FBI).

The flow chart shown in section I will assist ROs in determining whether output from non-agricultural activities should be recorded in Section K, and hence excluded from NFI/FBI, or in Section I, and hence included in NFI/FBI.

See paras. 10 to 15 below for further details of these sources.

2. Any data recorded in Section K should not be entered anywhere else in the core FAS24, however the income data recorded in Section K will form part of, or all of the household income (if there are no other income earning members of the farm household), recorded in Module N (Household Income).

3. Income recorded in Section K will include income from other business activities that have a fully independent existence, i.e. activities that do not use any farm resources or, if they do, they pay a commercial rate for them. These are often called “off-farm” activities even though, in some cases, part of the business may be physically located on the farm. If the farmer and spouse between them only have a minor share in the ‘other’ business, then it is probably independent. The hours spent by the farmer/spouse and the income accruing to them from an independent business is recorded here.

4. In deciding whether an activity should be recorded under Section I (of the core FAS24) or Section K, R.O.s should refer to the flowchart at the beginning of [Section I](#) and apply the above guidance in the way that seems most appropriate in the circumstances of the individual holding, taking into account all aspects of the case in making the decision.

5. As specific activity such as, say, milk retailing may be classed as fully integrated on one farm (and thus recorded in Section I) while, on another, it may be classed as independent (and recorded in Section K. Which group it belongs to is sometimes associated with scale and the stage within the activity’s ‘life cycle’. While, ultimately, it must be left to the Research Officer’s judgement to decide which Section a given activity on a farm should be recorded under, it is hoped that the definitions provide sufficient guidance for a positive and unambiguous decision in most cases.

Note that recording under Sections K requires that assets and liabilities are *excluded* from Section G, whereas income recorded under Section I requires that assets and liabilities are *included* in Section G.

Integrated System: Section K

Manual data entry, codes listed on sheet, no links with other areas of the FAS24

6. Missing Data Codes

Where some or all information is refused or is otherwise unavailable, this section must still be completed using the following missing data codes:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
0	No data missing
6	Non-farm activity exists, but data refused by co-operator
7	Co-operator refused to provide information on income and/or hours worked off the holding
8	Data otherwise unavailable for both farmer and spouse
9	Data unavailable for either farmer or spouse

7. Farmer (col. 1), Spouse (col. 2) and Farmer and Spouse (col. 3)

For line 3 enter the hours spent by the farmer in col. 1, the hours spent by the spouse in col. 2 and the sum of cols. 1 and 2 in col. 3. For lines 4 to 10, an entry need only be made for the farmer and spouse jointly at col. 3. Information should not be recorded for the spouse where the farmer and spouse are separated and are not residing in the same dwelling.

8. Hours Worked Annually (line 3)

The hours worked annually on activities that are fully independent of the core farm business should be recorded here.

9. Income from a Fully Independent Activity or Source (lines 4 to 11)

Seven categories of income from fully independent activities or sources are specified: employment, self-employment, investment, pensions, social payments, any other source not specified elsewhere and net income from green technologies. In each case where income data are available, only the broad range needs to be indicated from the list below.

Income Range Codes

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	No income
2	£1 to below £1,000 per annum
3	£1,000 to below £2,500 per annum
4	£2,500 to below £5,000 per annum
5	£5,000 to below £7,500 per annum
6	£7,500 to below £10,000 per annum
7	£10,000 to below £15,000 per annum
8	£15,000 to below £20,000 per annum
9	£20,000 to below £25,000 per annum
10	£25,000 to below £30,000 per annum
11	£30,000 to below £40,000 per annum
12	£40,000 to below £50,000 per annum
13	£50,000 to below £75,000 per annum
14	£75,000 to below £100,000 per annum
15	£100,000 or more

For negative income, the corresponding negative codes apply

In circumstances where a fully independent business activity produces a loss (rather than a profit) an equivalent negative code should be used for negative income ranges: care should be taken however, in situations where the loss arose after a wage, salary or directors' remuneration had been taken by the farmer and spouse.

Negative income ranges can be recorded for self-employment, investments and other income not elsewhere specified. If there is no income from either employment or self-employment a missing data code of zero should be entered with an income code of 1 (which is equivalent to zero).

In addition to an indication of the appropriate income range for each of the six income groups, the range band relating to the total off-farm income of the farmer and spouse should be entered at line 10. This may be either a positive or negative code.

10. Income from Employment

Where the farmer or spouse works on a part-time or full-time basis in **paid employment** outside the farm business, the gross annual income (before tax and national insurance but after other pension contributions) should be represented by the appropriate income code at line 4. Income arising from **paid employment** on any activity that is independent of the farm business should be recorded at this line as should any monies (excluding expenses) received as a member of the Territorial Army, Special Constabulary or similar organisation.

11. Income from Self-Employment

If the farmer and/or spouse own or operate a business or work in a profession that is fully independent of the farm business, then the gross annual income (before tax and national insurance, but after payments of Uniform Business Rate and pension contributions) arising from this should be recorded under the appropriate income range code at line 5. Director's fees should be treated as self-employment.

Income recorded in Sections I should not be included here.

Where losses are incurred the appropriate income range code should be entered preceded by a negative sign. Self-employment income will otherwise be assumed to be positive.

12. Investment Income

All interest receipts on personal bank, building society and similar accounts and dividends on shares not already included in D line 16 should be included at line 6 as should any rental income deriving from property off the farm. Dividends received on shares in organisations such as Dairy Crest etc should be recorded here.

Capital gains obtained through holding shares, works of art or other property should be excluded-these gains are not income.

Investment income received net of tax should, wherever possible, be converted to a gross basis before selecting the income range code. It is recognised however that the income code will be the same both before and after tax in a large number of cases, given the width of the income bands.

13. Pensions

The income range code relating to the gross value of all pensions received by the farmer and spouse is to be entered at line 7. Income arising from both occupational and state pension schemes and from retirement and disability pensions should be included.

14. Social Payments

Any receipts such as child benefit, family tax credit or other cash welfare payments (e.g. winter fuel payments) should be entered using the appropriate income range code at line 8. Welfare payments made in kind (e.g. free school meals) rather than cash need not be valued for the purpose of completing this line.

There may be occasions where there has been a repayment of social payments such as family tax credits which are calculated on the basis of the previous year's income. In these instances the social payment should be recorded as a negative figure.

15. Other Income Not Elsewhere Specified (n.e.s.)

Any other receipts of a regular nature accruing to the farmer and/or spouse which do not fall into the categories specified at lines 4 to 8 should be entered at line 9. Various commissions and retainers may come into this category.

Windfall receipts (or losses) resulting from inheritance, speculation or gambling should be excluded.

Any charitable donations to the farmer or spouse not directly related to the farm business should be included here.

16. Net income from green technologies

Income recorded at line 11 should be net of expenditure incurred and would apply to any green technology activity set up independent of the farm business for whatever reason (e.g. scale, complexity of business structure, farmer part of larger business organisation etc.).

17. Total Income from Diversified Independent Activities

Incomes recorded at lines 4 to 9 & 11 col. 3 should be summed and the appropriate income code relating to the total entered at line 10 col. 3. Where information only relates to the farmer or spouse an entry should be made in the relevant columns with the appropriate missing data code. If information is not available (or is refused) for one or more of the items at lines 4 to 9 & 11, line 10 should be left blank with a missing data code 7, 8 or 9 as appropriate.

18. Respondent code

This code is used to provide researchers with information about the respondent using one of the following codes:

- A completed return =1
- Farm not approached because not suitable for module =2
- Farm not approached/selected for other reason =3
- Farm approached but refused =4

15. MODULE M – ENTERPRISE, GROSS AND NET MARGINS

Background

1. The data recorded in this module will provide extremely valuable data concerning the output, gross margin and net margin of individual farm enterprises. These data will among other uses help to:-

- (a) Provide standard gross output data for farm classification purposes.
- (b) Enhance the FBS as a provider of data that can be used for benchmarking.
- (c) Shed new light on economic performance of different enterprises under different CAP reform arrangements and how this differs between farms.
- (d) Indicate how the economics of enterprises are changing over time.

General

1. Within this module, output, variable cost, gross margin, fixed cost and net margin data should be recorded at enterprise level for the enterprises listed in **Appendix 18**. Section M1 is for the collection of gross margin data and Section M2 for the collection of net margin data. For Section I enterprises the data can be aggregated into one column.

Most of the primary data required for the completion of Section M1 is entered manually into the Integrated System (IS) Fieldbook worksheets by the RO. Note however, that most of that data is not entered directly into Sections M1 and M2; instead, data is read into Section M1 from Working Sheets and Tables located elsewhere in the IS (see para. 4 below and specific IS instructions that follow). Section M2 is then completed using models that allocate fixed costs between individual enterprises.

2. All data recorded in Module M should be consistent with Sections C1, C2, C3, E1, E2, F1, F2 and I of the FAS 24.

3. There are four Working Sheets and Tables within the FAS24 spreadsheet that must be completed by the RO before attempting to finalise Module M, data is read into Section M1 from these. These comprise:

- (a) An allocation of crop variable costs between cash crops and forage. This working table is adjacent to Section C2 in the IS and must be completed for all farms where Module M is to be completed, even if there are no cash crops (i.e. forage only).
- (b) An allocation of straw output between relevant individual crops (this should only be completed for farms with cereals and other crops where straw could be considered as a secondary output). A working sheet is provided for this between Sections C2 and C3 of the IS (one of two and at extreme right).
- (c) A division of "Other Cattle" output from Section E1 between breeding and trading enterprises. This working sheet, called "Section E1 Output Split" is located between Sections E1 and E2 of the IS (one of three and at extreme right). Further instructions are provided [here](#).
- (d) An allocation of livestock variable costs between livestock enterprises. A working sheet for this called "Livestock and Forage" is located immediately before Module M in the IS.

4. All the data allocated to individual enterprises in the above working sheets and tables must be entered directly by the RO from an analysis of variable costs and calling on information provided by the individual FBS co-operator.

5. Livestock enterprises may not correspond entirely with the codes used at Section E. Where a mixture of enterprises exist the enterprise that applies to **two-thirds of the throughput of animals should be applied**. The codes referred to in Section E are those entered at column 1 lines 7, 23, 38, 49, 53 to 60, 66, 67, 69 and 71. See Appendix 18 for livestock codes

6. Contract Rearing & Agistment

- a) **Contract dairy heifer rearing (Code 134)** – as this is fairly widespread in some areas, so to be able to extract this as an identifiable enterprise, it is recorded separately
- b) **Agisted Livestock (Code 132)** – all other forms of a third person's grazing livestock on the farm should be recorded as 'Agisted Livestock', whether it be contract grazing livestock (excluding dairy heifer rearing) or grazing livestock on agistment
- c) **Contract pig & poultry rearing (Codes 114 & 124)** are recorded separately
- d) **Contract rearing other livestock (Code 130)** – relates to all other livestock recorded in rows 66, 67, 69 and 71

7. Miscanthus and other specialist energy crops

Miscanthus & Other specialist energy crops e.g. switch grass/reed canary grass, should always be recorded with code 56

Short rotation coppice should always be recorded with code 55

Green energy crops (code 58) should not include the above crops. Examples include maize and forage rye used in AD units

The following instructions provide more working detail on each of the above four working sheets and tables.

Section C2 Working Table

The working table located to the right of Section C2 requires the RO to:

(a) Identify the organic status of each crop using the following codes in column 400:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
Leave blank	Conventional (i.e. not organic)
1	In conversion
2	Organic
3	Conventional and organic combined

(b) Identify irrigated crops in column 401 using the following markers

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Not irrigated
2	Part Irrigated
3	Whole crop irrigated

(c) Allocate, in the appropriate columns, the following costs between each of the current crops listed in C2 and forage:

<u>Col</u>	<u>Description</u>
200	Purchased seed
201	Homegrown seed
210	Fertiliser
220	Spray
230	Other crop costs
270	Enterprise specific heating fuel
271	Electricity for crop drying
272	Other fuel for crop drying
273	Other enterprise specific heating fuel, for crop drying only, not in columns 271/272
240	Contract costs
241	Contract hours (Wales only)
250	Machinery rental
310	Bare land hired in
362	Water for irrigation, crop washing etc. and for horticultural crops:
<u>Col</u>	<u>Description</u>
321	Glasshouse depreciation
322	Permanent crop depreciation
281	Marketing charges
282	Packing materials
283	Horticultural sundries

Note that:

Crop drying costs: A working table is provided within C2 to calculate the cost of drying crops: the RO will need to input tonnes dried, % moisture removal and type of fuel. Residual (unallocated) electricity and fuel costs are apportioned in Section M2.

Cost allocations: Undertaken within C2 for seed, fertiliser, sprays, other crop costs, bare land hired in, glasshouse and permanent crop depreciation, the total allocation between crops and forage should equal totals in Section F1 col. 8 (costs for agriculture). Allocations of marketing charges, packing materials and horticultural sundries, recorded for horticultural crops, are a sub-division of “other crop costs”; these are brought forward from the split entered in Section F2.

Grassland and Forage Costs: Costs associated with grassland and forage (used by the farm’s own livestock) are entered on a separate row (“Forage costs to be allocated by LU” – livestock units); these costs are carried forward to the “Livestock and Forage” sheet for allocation between grazing livestock enterprises (see further instructions for this sheet below).

Costs associated with forage crops grown for sale and crop failures are entered on another row (“Forage cash crop costs excluded from forage allocation and crop failures”); these costs are not allocated to livestock or crop enterprises.

Contract and machinery hire: Residual (unallocated) contract and machinery rental costs are apportioned in Section M2.

Contract hours recorded here are carried forward to Module P (Wales only).

Straw Output Working Sheet

The straw output Working Sheet is located between Sections C1 and C2. This sheet has three purposes:

(a) It enables the straw output to be built up from the components of sales, home use and closing valuation. These figures are carried forward to complete line 321 in Section C3.

(b) It enables the RO to record straw sales (from the account analysis), home use (feeding or bedding) and year end valuations (from discussion with the farmer) in respect of previous and current crops and to allocate these between individual crops. These figures are then carried forward to Section C2 col. 102, and are used to establish total crop output for gross margin purposes. Straw used on the farm for feeding and bedding are to be recorded separately within the working table as these are carried forward separately as costs to Section F1 (row 21, coarse fodder; and row 23, other livestock costs).

(c) It enables the recording of disposals of the previous crop (i.e. the opening valuation of straw). As with current crop straw, any home use will be carried forward to Section F1 and recorded in rows 21 and 23.

Section E1 “Other Cattle” Output Split Working Sheet

This working sheet is located between Sections E1 and E2. The purpose of this sheet is to split the non-dairy cattle output generated in the “Other Cattle” part of Section E1 between output attributable to:

(a) **The breeding enterprise**, i.e. the suckler herd (where calves are transferred out of the suckler herd at weaning into the trading enterprise; and replacement heifers calving for the first time are transferred from the trading enterprise to the suckler herd).

(b) **The trading enterprise** (where weaned calves are transferred into the trading enterprise from the breeding enterprise; and replacement heifers are transferred out of the trading enterprise into the breeding enterprise at calving). Note that the trading enterprise will include all progeny from the suckler herd, as well as other youngstock, these will include cattle being reared:

- (i) for sale as forward stores (i.e. cattle beyond weaning age)
- (ii) for sale as finished cattle
- (iii) as replacements for the suckler herd
- (iv) as dairy herd replacements (on farms where there is a dairy herd)

The splitting of non-dairy herd cattle output in this way achieves three valuable objectives; it enables an accurate measure of output from the beef suckler herd, similarly output from the rearing herd, and thirdly it enables a more precise identification of the type of cattle enterprises on the farm.

This allows the production of more meaningful separate gross and net margins for the individual breeding and trading enterprise than is possible using Section E1 as it stands. This improves the quality of the feedback that can be given to the farmer as well as providing better quality data to end users. A further advantage is that by providing more information on cattle movements between the suckler herd and the rearing herd it potentially helps the RO keep a better check on total cattle numbers.

Entries in Section E1 “Output Split” are as follows:

The Working Sheet duplicates a number of rows from Section E1 where there could be breeding or trading elements. The beige cells are the entry cells with the yellow cells showing if the references are from Section E1, or calculated within the new sheet.

The key figures are:

- (a) The transfer of heifers at calving into the breeding herd.
- (b) The transfer out of calves at weaning into the trading herd.
- (c) There are also cells to adjust the average numbers (this will be necessary for cattle under 1 year of age due to the split of these cattle between breeding and trading enterprises – see instructions for rows a & b, and g & h below).

Other Cattle – Breeding: comprises the following rows:

Row 10	Breeding bulls for the beef herd (same as equivalent row in E1)
Rows 74 & 12	Beef cows (same as equivalent rows in E1; ensure in calf beef heifers are shown as transfers into the breeding enterprise at calving)
Rows a & b	Cattle under 1 year (these lines differ from E1 rows 20 & 21 in that cattle to be entered here include only unweaned calves – this applies to opening and closing valuations, purchases and sales; at weaning, calves from the suckler herd need to be shown as transfers out to the trading enterprise , see below for guidance on establishing transfer values).
Row c	this is the breeding herd’s share of miscellaneous revenue/output
Row d	this is the breeding herd’s share of disease compensation payments
Row f	Enter the appropriate enterprise code from Appendix 4 (this may, or may not be the same as the code from E1, row 23)

Other Cattle – Trading; comprises the following rows:

Rows 13 & 14	In calf heifers (same as equivalent rows in E1; ensure beef heifers are shown as transfers out to the breeding enterprise at calving)
Row 15	Fat cattle (same as equivalent row in E1)
Rows 16 & 17	Other cattle over 2 years (same as equivalent rows in E1)
Rows 18 & 19	Other cattle 1-2 years (same as equivalent rows in E1)
Rows g & h	Cattle under 1 year (these lines differ from E1 rows 20 & 21 in that cattle to be entered here include only weaned calves – this applies to opening and closing valuations, purchases and

	Sales; at weaning, calves from the suckler herd need to be shown as transfers into the trading enterprise from the breeding enterprise, see below for guidance on establishing transfer values)
Row i	this is the trading enterprise's share of miscellaneous revenue/output
Row j	This is the trading enterprise's share of disease compensation payments
Row l	Enter the appropriate enterprise code from Appendix 4 ((this may, or may not be the same as the code from E1, row 23)

Valuing weaned calves for transfer purposes

Valuation of weaned calves is not always straightforward. There may be occasions where the co-operator can give a robust estimate of value if, for example, similar animals were sold off the farm at the same time as the point of valuation. Where a large amount of estimation is required the following approach is suggested which involves, firstly, estimating live weight at weaning, and then the value at weaning.

(a) **Estimate weaning weight:** The table below gives average daily liveweight gains for a range of breeds. These can be multiplied by the age at weaning (in days) to give total liveweight gain to weaning. This is then added to the assumed birth weight (40kg for heifers, 45kg for steers) to give the liveweight at weaning.

<u>Daily liveweight gains (DLWG) to 200 days allowing a birth weight of 40kg for heifers and 45kg for steers</u>					
		Dam breed (or cross)			
Sire breed		A Angus (X)	Hereford (X)	Simmental (X)	Blue Grey (X)
Heifers	Charolais	0.915	0.935	0.980	0.925
	Limousin	0.820	0.845	0.885	0.830
	Simmental	0.910	0.930	0.975	0.920
Steers	Charolais	1.030	1.055	1.105	1.045
	Limousin	0.925	0.950	1.000	0.935
	Simmental	1.025	1.050	1.100	1.035

E.g. 1. A Charolais x [Hereford x Friesian] steer calf weaned at 9.5 months old would weigh approximately:

$9.5 \text{ months} \times 30.5 \text{ days (average month)} \times 1.055\text{kg (DLWG)} + 45\text{kg (birth weight)} = 351\text{kg}.$

E.g. 2. A Limousin x [Aberdeen Angus x Friesian] heifer weaned at 7.25 months would weigh $(7.25 \times 30.5 \times 0.82) + 40 = 221\text{kg}.$

If the dam and/or sire is a cross between two or more of the breeds in the table, use an appropriate average of the daily liveweight gains for the breeds involved. For example, if the calf is a heifer, the dam is a Hereford x Aberdeen Angus and the sire a Charolais, the appropriate daily liveweight gain is $(0.915 + 0.935)$ divided by 2.

(b) Estimate Value

(i) Calves weaned in the autumn; if the animal is weaned in the autumn, at the time of the local weaned calf sales, a valuation can be based on the market prices of calves of a similar weight and breed. Where animals sold as weaned calf sales are lighter or heavier than the calves being valued, the average market price should be converted to pence per kg liveweight and then applied to the liveweight of the calves being valued at weaning.

(ii) Calves weaned at other times of the year; an appropriate value, in pence per kg liveweight, needs to be determined and then applied to the liveweight at weaning. Weaned calf prices and average liveweights, from local sales or those provided by Defra, can be used to calculate average prices in pence per kg liveweight. These can then be adjusted, backwards or forwards in time, using price movements for yearling store cattle between the date of valuation (weaning) and the date of the sales.

Finally, a reminder that where calves are likely to be sold as replacement breeding animals or transferred into the breeding herd, at some time in the future, such calves should be valued to reflect their potential as future breeding cows or bulls, rather than as normal store animals to be reared for slaughter.

Livestock and Forage Working Sheet

The allocation of forage variable costs to individual enterprises is calculated using grazing livestock units. The allocation of remaining variable costs (listed below) will be carried out by the RO from the account analysis and drawing on supplementary information provided by the farmer.

Data entry is required in cells highlighted in beige; these include:

- (a) Adjustments to "Forage allocation from C3" for additional areas of cash crops at worksheet reference D17
- (b) GM / NM enterprise code from Appendix 18
- (c) Allocation of coarse fodder costs (brought forward from Section F1) to livestock enterprises
- (d) Allocation of concentrate feed costs (brought forward from Section F1):
 - Concentrates (grazing livestock)
 - Home grown concentrates (grazing livestock)
 - Milk fed to calves
 - Concentrates (pigs)
 - Home grown concentrates (pigs)
 - Concentrates (poultry & small livestock)
 - Home grown concentrates (poultry & small livestock)
- (e) Allocation of veterinary and medicine costs (brought forward from Section F1) to livestock enterprises
- (e) Allocation of other livestock costs (brought forward from Section F1):
 - Service fees
 - Purchased bedding litter
 - Breed society and show fees
 - Commission on livestock sales
 - Livestock haulage
 - Dairy expenses
 - Packing materials
 - Milk levies (automated allocation to dairy enterprise)
 - Milk company deductions (automated allocation to dairy enterprise)
 - Dog expenses
 - Other livestock costs
 - Home grown bedding straw
- (h) Allocation of contract costs and hours (Wales only), and machinery rental
- (i) . The sum of the average horse numbers from Section E2 are shown in the forage allocation calculations on the livestock and forage sheet. However, because a number of horse grazing may be lower as these don't have access to pasture, or have a large amount of their forage supplied, the actual number of grazing horses may be lower, and this figure needs to be entered to ensure that the overall stocking rates, and forage allocations are correct.

Enter the effective number of horses with access to forage and grazing in cell N30 on the livestock and forage page. Complete the allocation of forage costs in the C2 working table. The share due to the horses is then automatically transferred to the livery line in Section I. See Appendix 24 for a summary of completing livery activities

Module M Sheet

On completion of the Core FAS24, and the preceding Working Sheets and Tables, Sections M1 (gross margins) and M2 (net margins) will complete automatically with the following exceptions which require manual data entry:

- (a) For crops that require grouping together for gross and net margin purposes, the individual crop codes will need to be entered in the beige cells at the top of the table (e.g. margin calculations for winter oilseed rape, M code 40, requires C2 crop codes 91, 96 and 98 to be grouped together). Many horticultural crops are grouped together in this way.
- (b) Organic status

Fixed costs are apportioned econometrically.

1. Row 1: The cropping area of the spreadsheet uses the SUMIF option to link to data in Section C2. Since the gross/net margin enterprise codes do not follow the FBS product codes exactly, with some multiple products for one net margin code, or a choice of net margin codes for the same product code, there are a number of rows within the spreadsheet where more than one FBS product code can be added together - i.e. columns D to Q cover 1 FBS code, to be entered in row.

A lookup table then shows the GM/NM enterprise code description in row 34 and the enterprise code in spreadsheet row 25. Where the GM/NM code is split, the cell needs to be overwritten with the correct code. Spreadsheet columns D to Q cover two FBS codes of the same GM/NM code, and works on the same principle of SUMIF. Spreadsheet columns D to G and H to Q cover 8 and 6 crops respectively, which are likely to be horticultural. On some horticultural farms where there are many crops, it may be easier to overtype the cells instead of expanding the SUMIF calculations.

2. Spreadsheet row 27 is for allocation of any areas of bare land hired in, to enable the cost of this land to be allocated on an area basis, and also to give the farm area for rent and rental value allocation.

Spreadsheet rows 44 to 53 hold the Section C2 data for the crops by using SUMIF against the FBS product codes.

3. Spreadsheet rows 55 to 61 are linked to the 'Livestock and forage' sheet and spreadsheet row 74 to Total Section I output. Spreadsheet row 76 is not required by DEFRA, but was added to show all enterprise output on the same row. Spreadsheet rows 79 to 90 allocate the variable costs to crops and livestock from Section C2 and 'Livestock and forage'. Spreadsheet rows 91 and 92 calculate total variable costs and gross margin.

16. **MODULE N: AGRICULTURAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME (Wales only)**

1. This section provides details of the main farming household (i.e. the household of the principal farmer) and other households of the farming family that are economically connected to the farm business. It does not include the households of paid employees who are not family members. For a definition of the households to be included see para.6 below.

BACKGROUND: WHY ARE WE COLLECTING THIS INFORMATION THROUGH THE FARM BUSINESS SURVEY?

2. Data from Module N fulfils the following objectives:

- (a) It shows the total demand on the farm business in terms of level of drawings
- (b) It shows the number of households that have at least some dependency on drawings from the farm business
- (c) For the household of the principal farmer, it shows the level of household income sourced from outside the farm business, enabling an assessment of the importance of farm income in relation to total household income

3. The above information provides a better understanding of the economic relationship between the farm business and the households linked to it. When combined with data from the core FAS24 it will help to explain farm business behaviour, survival and sustainability and enable a better assessment of the likely impact of new policy.

4. The data collected in this module will not necessarily be identical to that collected for Section K. This section covers the income of **all** people living in the household whilst Section K only relates to the farmer and spouse.

Integrated System: Section N (Wales only) Manual data entry, but pre populated with last year's household details, but will need updating for changes. Income details needed, and % split of drawings, the total of which are shown at foot of sheet from Section G.

Column Definitions

5. A separate row is completed for each household. A household is defined as a single person or group of people living at the same address as their only or main residence, who either share one meal a day together or share the living accommodation (i.e. a living room).

6. To be recorded in Module N a household must contain **at least one person who received drawings from the farm business as recorded at FAS 24, Section G, line 73, or who took a share of the profit from the business.**

7. Columns 1 to 3, 7 and 10 to 14 inclusive are to be completed for all households (using definition of 'household' at paras 4 and 5 above). Note that column 8 ("other household income code") must also be completed for the household of the principal farmer (i.e. household code 1, recorded in column 1) but not for any other households recorded in Module N.

8. Household code (col 1):

Record each household on a separate row here. For the definition of households to be recorded here see para. 1 above.

9. Dwelling code (col 2):

This is the dwelling in which the household normally resides. A dwelling is defined as a self-contained property. It can be attached to another property and it does not have to be on or near the farm. In the majority of cases, one dwelling will contain no more than one household. Dwellings are numbered sequentially from 1 (1 being the household of the principal farmer).

10. Status of household code (col 3):

This is the status of the person (or persons) within the household who took drawings or a share of profit from the farm business. The following codes are used to indicate the status of the household:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Farmer / farmer and spouse
2	Unpaid partner other than the farmer
3	Unpaid director or manager other than the farmer
4	Combination of farmer / farmer & spouse with one or more unpaid partners, unpaid directors or unpaid managers in the farm household
5	Other

11. Structure of household data (cols. 10 to 14):

Record the number of individuals within each household. Farmer and spouse (where they exist) should be recorded in columns 10 and 11 according to the code below. All other individuals should be recorded in columns 12 to 14 using the following definitions:

Code for farmer and spouse (cols 10 and 11)

Enter the appropriate code for the farmer and spouse according to the following criteria:

a)	none	0
b)	below pension age	21
c)	of pension age	22

Number of persons (cols 12 to 14)

Below Pension Age: all those aged 16 and over at the start of the FBS accounting year, except for unmarried 16 to 18 year olds in full time education other than university. Students living in halls of residence should be included within the household. However, they should not be included if they are living in private accommodation elsewhere.

Of pension age: men aged 65 and over at the start of the FBS accounting year, and women aged 60 and over at the start of the FBS accounting year.

Children: all those aged under 16 at the start of the FBS accounting year, and unmarried 16 to 18 year old in full time education other than university.

12. Drawings as a proportion of total drawings at FAS 24, Section G 73 (col 7):

This shows the percentage of total drawings going to each household as a proportion of total drawings. Entries must be rounded to nearest 5% and must be consistent with total drawings at FAS 24, G 73.

13. Other household income code (col 8):

This is the total income from sources **other than** share of profit or drawings from the core farm business **for all members of the household**. Other household income, therefore, comprises:

- (a) Wages and salaries from any form of paid employment both on and off the farm. Note that this **includes** wages received for work carried out on the farm paid to members of any of the households recorded in col. 1 (these individuals will be listed with the paid labour on lines 10 to 16 of Section B of the FAS24); however, it **excludes** any "unpaid" wages for individuals listed as wholly or mainly unpaid on lines 1 to 7 of Section B of the FAS24, this is because they will be taking a share of the private drawings recorded in Section G line 73. Note that if a paid family worker working on the farm does not live in a household that has a share of the drawings or a share of the profits, then that worker should not appear in Section N.
- (b) Income from any form of self-employment **other than** a share of profit or drawings from the core farm business (i.e. that recorded in the core FAS24).
- (c) Income from investments, including interest on deposit and investment accounts, dividends on shares, and income from property (not already recorded in Section I of the FAS24).

- (d) Pension income, including that from state and private retirement pensions. Note that persons listed as being over retirement age will be expected to have some pension income.
- (e) Social payments, including child allowance, family tax credits and social security benefits (e.g. unemployment benefit, disability allowance, attendance allowance, payments for adopted or foster children).
- (f) Other miscellaneous income (e.g. maintenance, , payments from accident or health insurance schemes, payments from friends and relatives outside the household, allowances from a spouse in the forces).

The sum of the above [(a) to (g)] incomes is recorded in column 8 for the household of the principal farmer. Income codes to be used are as follows:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	No income
2	£1 to below £1,000 per annum
3	£1,000 to below £2,500 per annum
4	£2,500 to below £5,000 per annum
5	£5,000 to below £7,500 per annum
6	£7,500 to below £10,000 per annum
7	£10,000 to below £15,000 per annum
8	£15,000 to below £20,000 per annum
9	£20,000 to below £25,000 per annum
10	£25,000 to below £30,000 per annum
11	£30,000 to below £40,000 per annum
12	£40,000 to below £50,000 per annum
13	£50,000 to below £75,000 per annum
14	£75,000 to below £100,000 per annum
15	£100,000 or more

14. Sources of other household income Code (column 15)

Seven different sources of other household income are listed for recording for the principal household. They are with their codes:

- At least 50% of income from working on this farm =1
- At least 50% of income from working on another farm =2
- At least 50% of income from working in an occupation or for a business with strong links to local farming (e.g. auctioneers, farm machinery dealer) =3
- At least 50% of income from working in any other sector/profession =4
- At least 50% of other household income from investment income =5
- At least 50% of income from social and state pension payments =6
- Less than 50% of income from any single source =7
- Nil =8

15. Worked Example for Section N

The farmer is a pensioner who receives a state pension (£4,000 p.a.) and drawings from the farm (40%). He has a spouse who is below pension age, has a share of the drawings (10%), but also has a part-time job with the mobile library (£8,000 p.a.).

Also living in the household are:

- (a) one son is a partner who receives a share of the drawings (35%) and works on the farm unpaid;
- (b) a second son who is not a partner, but gets a wage for working on the farm (£15,000 p.a.);
- (c) a spouse of the second son who is unemployed and receives state benefits (£6,000 p.a.).

For this farm for household 1, col 7 should be $40+10+35 = 85\%$ and col 8 should be $4000+8000+15000+6000 = £33,000$, which is code 11 in col 8 and is estimated as £35,000 in col 9, with at least 50% of income derived from working on this farm

The entry for this farm is therefore (starting with the household code in column 1):

Column number	Entry
1	1
2	1
3	4
10	22
11	21
12	4
13	1
14	0
7	85
8	11
9	35,000
15	1

It is important to note that all income to the household must be accounted for at columns 7 and 8, including wages from the farm (e.g. paid family workers) and all other wages, pensions, investment income and benefits for both those who have an interest and those who do not. The sum of col 7 entries for all households should come to 100%.

If a paid family worker working on the farm does not live in a household that has a share of the drawings or a share of the profits, then that worker should not appear in Section N.

16. Adults not making any contribution to the principal farmer's household (lines 91 to 96)

Record the number of adults against each of the categories listed in lines 91 to 96 in column 1.

17. Non –respondents imputed by Defra (line 100)

This line is not to be completed by the Research Officer. It is used by Defra as a marker for researchers to show those records that are imputed following closedown.

17. MODULE R - TENANTED LAND

This section should be completed only for those farmers **renting in** land, according to those agreements that cover land rented in for the cropping year covered by the current FBS record (e.g. for an account completed for the 2019/20 FBS year, this would be all the agreements applicable to the 2019 crop year. Include all land rented in, whether under short or long-term agreement. For farms that are fully owner occupied a missing data code of 5 should be entered in row 1.

Integrated System: Section R

Working table at the top of the sheet shows the Section A tenure details for cross reference, and rents paid. Section pre populated with previous years data for reference, but will often need updating.

Definition of Column Headings

1. **Missing data codes**

- Enter a code here when appropriate according to the data provided for columns 2 and 3. For farms that are fully owner occupied a missing data code of 5 should be entered in row 1
- For short term agreements (agreement codes 3, 4, 9 & 10), missing data code 6 (Start date not known for short term agreements) may be used

2. **Agreement Codes (col. 1)**

Enter codes as listed below according to the type of agreement and enter each agreement on a separate line. Only legally designated Full Agricultural Tenancies and Farm Business Tenancies should be entered under codes 1, 2, 7 and 8. All other agreements should be under the codes 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12 or 22, as appropriate:

- **With Basic Payment (BPS) entitlements attached**

Code	Description
1	Full Agricultural Tenancy, (1986 Agricultural Tenancy Act)
2	Farm Business Tenancy (1995 Agricultural Tenancy Act. Written or unwritten for any period subject to the provision of the Act. This will include formal FBTs that have rolled on informally, but in law are still regarded as FBT. Where this has occurred, the start date should remain the same, the length of term (months) should be removed, and missing data code changed
3	A licence for grazing and/or mowing only (forage hired in for less than one year. This should equal Section C3, row 413. This includes land rented in on a short term basis to grow forage crops)
4	Any other agreement or informal arrangement (Bare land hired in for less than one year (Section C3 row 412)
5	Leased in BPS entitlements without the use of land
12	Informal Agreements (Where the tenanted land is part of the UAA, but there is no formal tenancy agreement)

- **Without Basic Payment (BPS) entitlements attached**

Code	Description
7	Full Agricultural Tenancy (1986 Agricultural Tenancy Act)
8	Farm Business Tenancy (1995 Agricultural Tenancy Act. Written or unwritten for any period subject to the provision of the Act. This will include formal FBTs that have rolled on informally, but in law are still regarded as FBT. Where this has occurred, the start date should remain the same, the length of term (months) should be removed, and missing data code changed)
9	A licence for grazing and/or mowing only (forage hired in for less than one year. This should equal Section C3, row 413. This includes land rented in on a short term basis to grow forage crops)
10	Any other agreement or informal arrangement -bare land hired in for less than one year (Section C3 row 412)
22	Informal agreements (Where the tenanted land is part of the UAA, but there is no formal tenancy agreement)

- **With and Without Basic Payment (BPS) entitlements attached**

Code	Description
6	Contract farming agreements

A Full 1986 Act Agricultural Tenancy is a year on year tenancy normally with a life-time security and subject to the provisions of the Agricultural Holdings Act 1986, including succession tenancies. Where these tenancies are established without the inclusion of Basic Payment Scheme entitlements they should be recorded under code 7.

A Farm Business Tenancy (started on or after 1 September 1995) is a tenancy, written or unwritten, for any period and subject to the provisions of the Agricultural Tenancies Act 1995. Such tenancies, established with or without the inclusion of Basic Payment Entitlements in the agreement should be recorded separately according to the codes above.

3. Length of term (Col. 2)

Enter full length of term in months, this is the length of term from the start to the end of the agreement. If the agreement is a lifetime tenancy enter missing data code 1. If the agreement is for no fixed term or indefinite enter missing data code 2.

4. Start date (Col 3)

Enter the year the agreement started if known. If the agreement is a lifetime tenancy and the start date is unknown enter missing data code 3. If the agreement is for no fixed term and the start date is unknown enter missing data code 4.

For short term agreements (agreement codes 3, 4, 9 & 10), the Start Date should be the year that the farmer first started renting land from the landlord. If the start date is not known missing data code 6 may be used.

5. Area (Col 4)

Enter the area, in hectares, to two decimal places.

6. Rent (Col 5)

Total annual rent (excluding VAT, where the rent is vatable), for the agreement in the cropping year covered by the current FBS record (in whole pounds). If the rental period is for less than a year, give the rent for the actual period. If the rent is mostly in kind, enter an approximate value and an equivalent contra entry e.g. contracting, lamb sales. If no rent is paid enter a zero.

7. Type of Payment (Col 6):

Enter the code appropriate to the type of payment for the agreement. Where there is a combination of payment types use the code that applies to the agreement that is highest in terms of value. The payment codes are as follows:

Code	Description
1	Rent free
2	Payment in kind
3	Cash payment
4	Zero rent (e.g. for agreements where the landowner retains entitlement to basic payment)

8. Rent in previous year (Col 7)

- Enter rent paid under this agreement 12 months ago. This is not required if the farm is new to the survey
- Where better information is now available, the rent in the previous year (Col.7) may be changed so that it is different to that of the current rent (Col.5) of the previous year's FAS24
- The previous year's rent should still be recorded even if there is a significant change in rent between the two years. A validation check will record the reason for the difference. For instance, only a partial year's rent as the tenancy commences or ends; or perhaps the farm has had a rent holiday or reduced rent for various reasons

9. Rent review code (Col 8)

- Enter code 1 if the agreement has undergone a rent review in the last 12 months even if there was no change in rent. If no rent review had been carried out leave this cell blank. A rent review is defined as any process in which rent levels have been re-negotiated, be it by mutual agreement or arbitration, even if the actual rent levels have remained unchanged.
- A rent review code should not be used for short term agreements

10. Area in previous year (col 17)

- Enter area rented under this agreement 12 months ago. This is not required if the farm is new to the survey
- Where better information is now available, the area rented in the previous year (Col.17) may be changed so that it is different to that of the current area rented (Col.4) of the previous year's FAS24
- The previous year's area rented should still be recorded even if there is a significant change in areas between the two years, as long as it is the same landlord. A validation check will record the reason for the difference. For instance, given up some land or taken on some additional land during the year under the same agreement

11. Change to terms or conditions codes (Col 9)

- If the terms or conditions have changed in the last 12 months enter code 1, otherwise leave blank. For example, the area of land has changed or buildings or other assets added to the agreement.
- This code should not be used for short term agreements

12. Agricultural / Horticultural Agreements (Cols 10 to 13)

For columns 10 to 13 enter 1 for each asset type covered by the agreement.

13. Non-Agricultural / Non-Horticultural Agreements (Cols 14 & 15)

For columns 14 and 15 enter 1 for each asset type covered by the agreement (e.g. property such as houses, cottages and buildings; golf courses; caravan parks).

14. Cost of land only agreements (Full Agricultural Tenancies (FAT); Farm Business Tenancies (FBT) & Informal Agreements) (Col 16)

Information will be recorded automatically based on entries relating to individual agreements codes 1, 2, 7, 8, 12 & 22 in columns 10 to 15.

15. Short term agreements – forage & bare land hired in for less than 1 year (Agreement codes 3,4, 9 &10)

- If the farmer has the same piece of land every year and effectively farms it all year round, then this land may be regarded as part of the UAA, and in that case would be recorded as an Informal Rent, and not short term agreements
- Otherwise, these are short term agreements where the land is not recorded as part of the UAA, and is recorded in Section C3, row 412 (bare land hired in for less than 1 year) and row 413 (forage hired in for less than 1 year)
- As these are annual agreements, albeit often cumulative years, the Rent review code (Col 8) and the Changes to terms & conditions code (Col 9) should NOT be completed
- If it is the same Landlord, the previous year's rent and area should be recorded, even if it is a different area to the year before.
 - E.g. as part of a crop rotation it may be that different areas of land are rented each year
- When this data is analysed further by Defra, it is only the rate per hectare that is looked at, not the actual amount paid or the actual area. It is not used to track absolute changes in rents or tenanted areas, purely the rate per hectare.
- It is accepted that the rate per hectare may change, depending on the crop grown, the quality of the land, or simply different agreements between the tenant and landlord. Where the rate per hectare is different to the year before, a type 2 validation check will ask for a reason
- Although these are annual agreements the Start Date (Col 3) should be the year that the farmer first started renting land from the landlord
- If the start date is not known missing data code 6 should be used:

16. Renting in buildings/dwellings with no land

- Where a building is rented in for less than one year it should not be recorded as a rent, but as a 'Crop cost' if it is used to store crops; and as an 'Other Livestock cost' if it is used to house animals or store products in connection with livestock production (e.g. fodder & bedding materials). See FBS instructions Section F
- If a building is rented for a longer period it should be recorded in Paid Rent in Section F2 & Section R
- Where the building has no UAA attached, just the land that it is built on and possibly a yard, that area is recorded in Section A, row 19 (other areas) and therefore in Section R as well.
- HOWEVER, ONLY THE DWELLING AND/OR BUILDINGS CODES (COLS 11, 12 & 15) SHOULD HAVE A MARKER. THERE SHOULD BE NO MARKER FOR LAND CODE (COL 10) IF THERE IS NO UAA

17. Houses/Cottages

Where a farm business rents a house/cottage for an employee, the cost should be included In Section B, line 17 (other employment expenses)

18. SECTION S - SUBSIDIES

General

1. This section provides further details on any livestock compensation schemes and grants recorded in Section E. Appendix 11 provides a list of Section S subsidies and their inclusion elsewhere in the FAS 24.
2. All livestock subsidies should be recorded on an 'as due' basis such that revenues are recorded in the accounting year which contained the start of the subsidy scheme year under which they are due.
3. The total value of the subsidy due for the current year is to be recorded in column 4, with the number of animals on which the subsidy is due in column 3. For each subsidy payment, the value in column 4 should equal the value of subsidy expected to be paid under the current scheme year, regardless of whether the payment is actually received before the end of the account year.
4. Any difference between estimates made in column 4 of the previous year account and the actual amounts eventually received should be entered in Section G line 77 'other receipts' (see Section G paragraph 27).
5. Where subsidy payments are received in the current year but were due in the previous year, or in earlier years, and were not included in that year's net farm income, an entry should be made in Section D lines 48 and 55 to 60 as appropriate.
6. The subsidy codes to be recorded on the FAS 24 are as follows:

7. **BSE Payments** (lines 30, 31 and 52)

BSE payments should be entered on an 'as due' basis in Section E under revenue from sales for the appropriate cattle category (see Section E, para. 7).

Payments for dairy cows made under BSE Compensation Order	Line 30
Payments for beef cows made under BSE Compensation Order	Line 31
BSE Offspring Cull	Line 52

8. **TB Disease Compensation** (line 86)

TB compensation paid out by Defra for animals culled during the current year should be entered in line 86. Funds should also be entered in the appropriate animal line in Section E. No insurance payments associated with TB whether "top up" or for consequential loss, should be recorded in Section S (see section E, para 7).

9. **Sugar levy refund** (Row 111)

Some growers will receive a sugar levy refund in 2018/19 that relates to the years 1999 and 2000. This should also be recorded in Section D row 85 and Section G row 77.

10. **BPS Financial Discipline Refund** (line 135)

Financial discipline (FD) – Farmers with a BPS claim worth more than €2,000 will receive a reimbursement from the FDM fund. Payments usually start in September, and will be called FDM reimbursement. This should be recorded on an 'As Received' basis. The revenue should also be included in Section I, row 830 (Basic Payment Scheme)

11. SFP – historic revisions for underpaid common grazings (line 137)

Single Farm Payment received in 2018/19 relating to common land underpaid in previous years should be recorded here.

It should also be recorded in Section D, row 85, and Section G, row 77.

12. Red Meat Benchmarking Scheme [Wales only] (Row 146)

Money will also be recorded in Section I (Vocational Training-row 254)

13. Countryside Productivity Grant (Row 147) & LEADER Grant Scheme (Row 148)

- Where the grant is received during the year, the full amount of the grant should be recorded here.
- Those grant receipts which apply to machinery, will be treated as a machinery grant and entered onto the ten year machinery grant calculations [ISFAS24-'Ten Year Distribution of Capital Grants' table on the working sheet Section I (resale elements), with the 10% share then being shown on row 276 in Section I (annual share of machinery grants).
- The grant will also be recorded in Section G row 15 column 6
- Those elements of the Countryside Productivity Scheme which are related to building and works are recorded in the working sheet (Newbuildepn) of the ISFAS24 and in Section G row 12 column 5 (and associated rows), with the capital purchases in columns 4 and 5.
- Machinery Grants should also be recorded in Section T, column 10
- Grants should be recorded 'As Due', and may be a debtor at the end of the financial year

Under the Rural Development Programme for England (RDPE) it is possible that a grant for machinery to increase farm/forestry productivity could be obtained through either the LEADER route or, most likely, the Countryside Productivity route.

Countryside Productivity is offered direct to farmers via the RPA and funding decisions are made according to uniform national criteria; LEADER is delegated to Local Action Groups and funding decisions are made according to local priorities (although the criteria used are consistent).

Machinery may include direct drills, GPS equipment, slurry & livestock handling equipment. It also includes the construction of water storage reservoirs, & equipment associated with crop irrigation.

Countryside Productivity Scheme:

The RDPE Countryside Productivity Scheme provides funding for projects in England which improve productivity in the farming and forestry sectors and help create jobs and growth in the rural economy. It is administered by the Rural Payments Agency (RPA).

Under the RDPE Countryside Productivity Scheme, there are grants for:

- water resource management and reservoirs
- improving forestry productivity
- adding value to Agri-food
- improving farm productivity
- small grants

The grants are funded by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD).

LEADER Grant:

A Local Action Group (LAG) is made up of people from the local community and the local public and private sector. Each LAG decides which projects they will fund in their area. This depends on their priorities but all projects must support one or more of the 6 LEADER priorities. These are to:

- support micro and small businesses and farm diversification
- boost rural tourism
- increase farm productivity
- increase forestry productivity
- provide rural services
- provide cultural and heritage activities

14. Basic Payment Scheme (Rows 120 to 144 & 149)

Revenue for each type of entitlement should be entered on the appropriate line together with the number of entitlements the revenue represents.

b) Types of entitlement are listed below, together with a list of Administrative Information Codes (AICs) relating to greening payments (see para 15)

- Moorland within SDA – normal (line 120)
- Other land within SDA - normal (line 121)
- Outside SDA - normal/standard (line 122)
- Payment to young farmers (line 123)
- Greening payment (line 124);
 - AIC 1: Holding taken greening options to qualify for payment
 - AIC 2: Automatic qualification due to organic status
- Crop diversification (eligible arable area, which excludes permanent crops) (line 125);
 - AIC 1: Holding taken greening options to qualify for payment
 - AIC 4: Exempt
- Permanent grassland (line 126)
 - AIC 1: Holding taken greening options to qualify for payment
 - AIC 3: Exempt
- Permanent grass of which environmentally sensitive in Natura 2000 (line 128);
 - AIC 3: Exempt
- Permanent grass of which environmentally sensitive outside Natura 2000 (line 129);
 - AIC 1: Holding taken greening options to qualify for payment
- Environmental Focus Area (Line 127);
 - AIC 1: Holding taken greening options to qualify for payment
 - AIC 4: Exempt

c) All farms who meet the greening criteria of the BPS will receive the greening payment (approximately 30% of the total BPS due where greening included). There may be some who fail to meet the criteria and will only be paid the basic element of the BPS (approximately 70% of total where greening included). Thresholds apply to what level of greening criteria apply for greening payment-see below:

- i. Less than 10 hectares of arable land exempts farms from meeting any greening criteria
- ii. Between 10 and 15 hectares of arable land require farms to meet the crop diversification rule
- iii. More than 15 hectares of arable land require farms to meet both the crop diversification and Ecological Focus Area (EFA) rules
- iv. Further exemptions from the greening criteria include
 - a. Farms growing permanent crops such as top fruit
- v. Exemptions from EFA rules may apply to some farms with more than 15 hectares of arable land if exemptions below apply:
 1. EFA exemption 1 (typical arable farm)
 - a. Farms have more than 75% of their total eligible land in any of i-iv and the rest of their arable land is 30 hectares or less
 - i. Fallow
 - ii. Temporary Grassland
 - iii. Used for cultivation of leguminous crops
 - iv. A combination of the above (i.-iii.)
 2. EFA exemption 2 (typical grassland farm)
 - a. Farms have more than 75% of their total eligible land in any of i-iv and the rest of their arable land is 30 hectares or less
 - i. Permanent grassland
 - ii. Temporary grassland

- iii. Used for the cultivation of crops grown in water (such as watercress) for 6 months or more in calendar year
 - iv. A combination of the above (i-iii)
- vi. Exemptions from crop diversification rules may apply to some farms with more than 10 hectares of arable land if exemptions below apply:
 1. Crop diversification exemption 1:
 - a. Farms have more than 75% of their total eligible land in any of i-iv below and the rest of their land is 30 hectares or less
 - i. permanent grassland
 - ii. temporary grassland
 - iii. used for the cultivation of crops grown in water (such as watercress) for 6 months or more in a calendar year
 - iv. a combination of the above (i-iii)
 2. Crop diversification exemption 2:
 - a. Farms have more than 75% of their total eligible land in i or ii and the rest of their arable land is 30 hectares or less
 - i. Fallow
 - ii. Temporary grassland
 3. Crop diversification 3:
 - a. The crop diversification rule doesn't apply if all of the arable land parcels are planted with different crops compared to the 2014 calendar year and more than 50% of their arable land this year was not declared on their SPS 2014 application.
 - b. To prove what was grown on the land in 2014, farmers will need to send RPA (so they receive it by midnight on 15 May 2015) pesticide application records and fertiliser application records for each land parcel. Where available, seed labels and invoices (or other evidence of cropping) should also be provided.
- d. If a farmer automatically qualifies for the greening payment, rows 124, 125 and 127 should be completed, plus rows 126 to 129 if they have permanent grassland.
- e. For BPS, arable land is:
 - i. Land cultivated for crop production and this includes:
 - a. land used for combinable crops
 - b. crops grown as root crops and/or fibre (including hemp)
 - c. crops grown for animal feed, such as forage maize and forage rape
 - d. field vegetables
 - e. cut flowers or bulbs and soft fruit (other than permanent crops)
 - i. Fallow land
 - ii. Temporary grassland
 - Note that arable land does not include permanent grassland or permanent crops.
- f. Permanent crops normally occupy the land for 5 years or more (except permanent grassland) and provide repeated harvests. However, they don't have to have been in the ground for 5 years before they count as permanent crops. These crops include top fruit, nursery crops, multi-annual crops and short rotation coppice. Permanent crops cannot be used to meet the greening rules.

15. Greening payments-guidance on use of Administrative Information Codes and areas recorded

- a. Administrative Information Codes (AICs) (of which greening payment)
 - 0 = Not applicable, as did not receive greening element
 - 1 = Holding taken greening options to qualify for payment
 - 2 = Automatic qualification due to organic status
 - 3 = Holding exempt based on compliance with Natura 2000, Birds or Water framework directive
 - 4 = Exempt - Existing farm practices means qualifies for greening without further actions. Crop rules, or permanent grass etc. apply
- Row 124 Greening Payments, only use Administrative Information Codes:
 - Code 1 (holding taken greening options to qualify for payment, note that this applies even if the holding is exempt)
 - Code 2 (automatic qualification due to organic status)
 - If row 124 uses code 2 (organic), the codes for rows 125 to 129 should remain blank and no areas recorded
 - **Where the farm has both conventional & organic land, use Code 1**
 - For farms that grow conventional crops alongside organic crops:
 - Row 124 (Greening payments) – use code 1
 - For partly organic farms the part cultivated with conventional crops is not exempt
 - For Rows 125 to 129 record the conventional land only, and use the codes as described below
- If row 124 uses code 1 (holding taken out greening options), then the following codes should be used:
 - 125 – Crop diversification
 - Code 1 (holding taken greening options to qualify for payment)
 - Code 4 (holding benefits from an exemption based on other types of criteria) See exemption para. 12b,vi, 1&2 and at para. 16.
 - 126 - Permanent grass
 - Code 1 (holding taken greening options to qualify for payment)
 - Code 3 (holding exempt based on compliance with Natura 2000, Birds or Water framework directive)
 - Where permanent grass is both in and outside of Natura 2000, use code 1
 - If there is no permanent grassland, leave the code blank
 - 128 – Permanent grass of which environmentally sensitive **within** Natura 2000
 - Code 3 (holding exempt based on compliance with Natura 2000, Birds or Water framework directive)
 - 129 – Permanent grass of which environmentally sensitive **outside** Natura 2000
 - Code 1 (holding taken greening options to qualify for payment)
 - 127 – Ecological Focus Area (EFA)
 - Code 1(holding taken greening options to qualify for payment)
 - Code 4 (holding benefits from an exemption based on other types of criteria) See exemption in para 12b,v, 1&2 and at para.16

14. Greening Payments-Areas

- Row 125 Crop Diversification
 - Where used code 1, area relates to the eligible arable area (area calculated in Greening arable area sheet in IS FAS24)
 - Where used code 4 (Exempt), the area should still be recorded

- For a permanent grassland farm that has no crops, fallow or EFA, these are classified as exemptions – use code 4 (no area required)
- Where there is both organic and conventional land, only the conventional arable eligible land should be included. [The area will need to be manually adjusted to deduct the organic area. Do not adjust the 'Greening Arable Area sheet', this is also used for Section O where the organic area is required for greening features)
- Excludes the area of permanent crops
- Row 126 Permanent Grassland
 - Where used code 1 or code 3, area relates to BPS definition of permanent grassland (area calculated in Section C3 in IS FAS24), plus areas of rough grazing and areas of permanent grassland that are let out
- Rows 128 & 129 Permanent Grassland inside and outside of Natura 2000
 - Use the following web link to see if area is in Natura 2000
<http://natura2000.eea.europa.eu/#>
 - Area relates to BPS definition of permanent grassland (area calculated in Section C3 in IS FAS24), plus areas of rough grazing and areas of permanent grassland that are let out
- **Row 149- Welsh Redistributive payment on first 54 hectares of BPS – WALES ONLY**

15. Completing the Integrated System FAS24

- Rows 125 & 126 should normally equal the area claimed for BPS
 - The exemptions are organic land and permanent crops which should not be recorded.
 - Where the UAA is higher than the BPS area the areas in rows 125 & 126 should be manually adjusted.
 - These particular adjustments should be made directly in Section S
 - Although row 125 (crop diversification) is linked to the Greening Arable Sheet in the IS FAS24, the primary objective of this sheet is to feed into Section O. Therefore only adjustments to bare land & grass keep rented in and let out should be made in the Greening Arable Sheet
 - **The areas in Section S relate to the actual areas claimed**
- For a permanent grassland farm that has no crops, fallow or EFA:
 - These are classified as exemptions and therefore code 4 should be used for crop diversification & EFA rows. See EFA & Crop diversification exemptions below
 - Row 124 (Greening payments) will require a code 1
- An arable farm that has no permanent grassland, the permanent grassland codes should be left blank
- All Grassland farms including Hill Farms
 - Although it looks like they have done nothing different, the permanent grass should be recorded as outlined above. It is not exempt from Greening
- If the farmer has not claimed Greening, rows 124 to 129 will be left blank

16. Greening exemptions and use of AICs

- For farms that do not have to comply with the Greening Rules because they have less than 10ha of arable land or if they only grow permanent crops such as top fruit:
 - Row 124 (greening payments) – use code 1
 - Row 125 (crop diversification) – use code 4
 - The area should still be recorded, excluding all organic crops and all permanent crops
 - Row 127 (EFA) – use code 4

- Row 126 (permanent grassland)
 - use code 1 if there is permanent grassland
 - if there is no permanent grassland, leave the code blank
- For farms with only permanent crops (e.g. top fruit):
 - Row 125 - code 4 should be used as permanent crops are exempt from crop diversification. Do not record the area of permanent crops
 - Row 129 – code 4 should be used as permanent crops are exempt from EFA
 - Row 126 – code 1 (or 3) should be used if have permanent grassland, but leave blank if no permanent grassland
 - If the holding has some fallow land (e.g. land recently grubbed), record the area in Row 125 (crop diversification), but still use code 4

Missing data codes (MDC) (column 50)

For rows 120 to 124 please complete the MDC column using the codes in the table below.

Code	Description
1	Actual data
2	Area estimated
3	Claim estimated
4	Area and claim estimated

17. BPS Penalties

Where the farmer has incurred BPS penalties during the year, the reduced payment received by the farmer should be recorded in Section S. However, the area should not be reduced, reflecting the lower rate per hectare.

18. Fixing the exchange rate of the BPS claim

Where a farmer has fixed the exchange rate in advance of the BPS claim, the profit or loss incurred by the exchange rate movement should be recorded in Section G3, line 88 (windfall/gain)

Ecological Focus Areas – Section S Instructions

Ecological Focus Areas (rows 130 to 134 and rows 138 to 139, column 3)

For each of the following Ecological Focus Area (EFA) features **record ONLY the area that the farmer has used to meet their greening requirements as part of the Basic Payment Scheme. They may include areas in environmental schemes:**

- Land lying fallow
- Landscape features – Hedges
- Buffer strips
- Areas with catch crops or green cover
- Areas with nitrogen fixing crops

Where possible the RO should make use of the BPS claim form or statement to determine these areas/lengths.

Land area should be recorded in hectares to 2 decimal places. The areas should be recorded after the conversion factors (these are factors which convert linear lengths to areas) have been applied but before any weighting factors (factors which adjust the area according to how much is the feature is worth for EFAs) have been applied.

Table A: Conversion factors for EFA features

Features	Conversion factor (m to m ²)
Land lying fallow (per 1m ²)	n/a
Hedges (one side) (per 1m)	5
Buffer strips & Field margins (per 1m)	6
Areas with catch crops or green cover (per 1m ²)	n/a
Areas with nitrogen fixing crops (per 1m ²)	n/a

To be counted as an EFA, the area or feature must be 'at the farmer's disposal' and be on – or next to – a farmer's **arable land** (within 5 metres). Land used for nitrogen-fixing crops, catch crops and cover crops, and fallow land will count as arable land.

Missing data codes (MDC) (column 50)

For rows 130 to 141 please complete the MDC column using the codes in the table below.

Code	Description
1	Actual data from BPS claim statement and only EFA that is being used for that claim is to be recorded.
2	Estimated data -record actual areas where known, such as nitrogen fixing crops & fallow, and estimate other areas via survey method
3	Data not available and not possible to calculate
4	Farm exempt from EFA rules
5	This feature not used to meet EFA requirement. Area will be zero
9	Not applicable in EU region

Land lying fallow (which includes rotational, permanent fallow and managed fallow areas) - row 130

In row 130 column 3 record the **fallow land areas which have been used to meet the greening requirement**. This area should be recorded in **hectares** to 2 decimal places.

Rotational fallow should be captured within section C3 row 405 column 21. Permanent fallow and managed fallow areas should be captured within section C3 row 424 column 21

Fallow land is land that has no crop production or grazing on it (this means it can't have a land use of any crops or permanent grassland) during the fallow period.

To count as an EFA, fallow land must be kept fallow **from 1 January to 30 June**. The fallow land must be on arable land. The minimum area of EFA fallow land is 0.01 hectares, with a minimum width of 2 metres. This land must be maintained in a state which makes it suitable for grazing or cultivation.

During the fallow period farmers must not declare land as 'fallow' if they store bales of hay, silage, straw, muck or farm machinery on it.

Managing fallow land

On fallow land during the fallow period (1 January to 30 June), farmers can:

- use herbicides and cultivation to control weeds (for example, Blackgrass, Ragwort, Hemlock). However, they must follow the relevant cross compliance guidance.
- sow wild bird seed mixes. These must be an unharvestable mix of at least 2 crops that support wildlife and pollinators. However, they cannot harvest or graze it during or after the fallow period.
- carry out drainage work. However, they must follow the relevant cross compliance guidance.
- top green cover or previous crop residue
- sow grass, if they can show that it is being sown for reasons other than agricultural production, such as where it is sown under an agri-environment scheme. This will apply to fallow land counted for both the crop diversification and EFA rules
- plough the ground – as long as it is only to prepare for sowing grass, wild bird mixes and/or nectar and/or pollen sources

They must not:

- harvest or graze it
- plant or sow any crop on it (except grass, wild bird seed mixes, pollen sources or nectar sources – see above)
- apply fertiliser or farmyard manure except where grass or a wild bird seed mix, a pollen source or a nectar source has also been sown (as long as it is permitted under any Countryside Stewardship agreement they have).

Grazing and harvesting fallow land outside of the period

The fallow period is from 1 January to 30 June. There are no restrictions on how farmers use their fallow cover outside of this period except those relating to wild bird seed mixes (see above). This means if the land has a grass cover; it can be grazed or made into hay/silage after 30 June.

Landscape Features (hedges) – row 131, 138 and 139

EFA Hedge option extended to include Trees in a line in 2018

The **length of one sided hedges** should be recorded in row 138 and **the length of two sided hedges** should be recorded in row 139.

The conversion factor of 5 will then be applied to the lengths to convert to m². These two areas will be automatically be combined to give the total area of hedges **before weighting factors have been applied** in row 131

For both one sided and two sided hedges the conversion factor (1m= 5m²) is the same. The difference is in the weighting factors, which **we are not applying**.

Below are details of what hedges count towards EFAs. For hedges either one side or both sides of a hedge can count towards a farmers EFA.

The linear length of hedges used to meet the EFA requirement will need to be converted into an area using the conversion factors in table A (as above).

What is considered to be a hedge?

A hedge can only count as an ecological focus area if it is growing on or within 5 metres of arable land along its longest edge and is at the BPS claimant's disposal. In line with cross compliance rules, it must have either:

- a continuous length of at least 20 metres, or is part of any such length
- a continuous length of less than 20 metres where it meets (at an intersection or junction) another hedgerow at each end
- must be a single row of trees situated on the boundary line of the parcel and must consist of a minimum of three trees

EFA hedges can be any width, or any height. They must be maintained for the whole scheme year in line with cross compliance rules. Newly planted hedges can also count for EFA if they are in the ground when a BPS application is made.

Hedges can include gaps. There is no limit on how many gaps a hedge can have – as long as each individual gap is not more than 20 metres.

Hedges don't have to contain trees, but any trees that are in it do form part of the hedge.

Hedges can still count as an EFA if they are on a bank. For example a Cornish Hedge or Devon Bank

The definition of a hedge for Greening is the same definition as used for Cross-compliance.

Table B: What size does a hedge need to be to count as a feature?

Width	There is no minimum or maximum width for a hedge.
Length	The minimum length for a hedge is 20 metres. Hedges can include gaps. There is no limit on how many gaps a hedge can have – as long as each individual gap is not more than 20 metres it will be treated as part of the hedge.
Height	There is no maximum or minimum height for a hedge. This means newly planted hedges can be counted.

Looking after EFA hedges

Farmers must manage their hedges according to the cross compliance guidance (for example, follow the cutting restrictions). There are no additional management rules for hedges under the greening rules.

Farmers with Higher Level Stewardship or Entry Level Stewardship agreements may have other management requirements for their hedges.

EFA hedges next to fallow land, nitrogen-fixing crops or catch/cover crops

Under the EFA rules, an additional rule applies if a farmer has:

- a field with EFA fallow land, nitrogen-fixing crops or catch/cover crops in, and
- an EFA hedge around the edge of the field (around any part of it or all the way around the edge) and the hedge is directly next to the area of the field being used for EFA fallow / cropping.

The hedge and the fallow land, nitrogen-fixing crops or catch/cover crops can be included as part of their EFA. However, the area of the fallow land, nitrogen-fixing crops or catch/cover crops must be reduced to take account of the area taken up by the hedge. To do this, a farmer must reduce the area of the crop or fallow by 2.5 square-metres for each metre length of EFA hedge in the field.

The location of the hedge

If the only thing separating the hedge from the arable land is a feature which is eligible for BPS (for example, a ditch of less than 2 metres wide), the hedge can be counted.

If a hedge is separated from the rest of the arable land by an ineligible feature (for example, a ditch more than 2 metres wide, a stone track with a man-made surface more than 5 metres wide, or a road greater more than 5 metres wide) then the hedge may not be counted. Table C presents the same information but in a different format.

Table C below shows how much of the hedge can be counted depending upon what is on either side of the hedge.

- Both sides of the hedge can be counted (text highlighted in blue in the table)
- One side of the hedge can be counted (text highlighted in yellow)

Table C: How much of the hedge can count?

What's on either side of the hedge	How much to count
Arable land on or within 5 metres of both sides	<p>The whole hedge is eligible for EFA if the land on both sides of the hedge is at the farmer's disposal.</p> <p>If they're responsible for one side only, they can count only that half of the hedge as an EFA feature.</p>
Arable land on or within 5 metres of one side and non arable land on the other (for example, permanent grass or crops)	<p>If a farmer is responsible for both sides of the hedge, they can count the whole hedge as an EFA feature.</p> <p>If they're responsible for the arable side only, they can count only that half of the hedge as an EFA feature</p>
Arable land on or within 5 metres of one side and non-agricultural land (for example, a road or woodland) on the other	<p>If a farmer is responsible for both sides of the hedge, they can count the whole hedge as an EFA feature.</p> <p>If they're responsible for the arable side only, they can count only that half of the hedge as an EFA feature</p>
Arable land on or within 5 metres of one side and land under someone else's control on the other (for example, land that belongs to a neighbour)	<p>If a farmer is responsible for both sides of the hedge, they can count the whole hedge as an EFA feature.</p> <p>If they're responsible for the arable side only, they can count only that half of the hedge as an EFA feature</p>
Hedge is separated from the rest of the arable land by non-agricultural land that is wider than 5 metres. (for example, a ditch more than 2 metres wide, a stone track with a man-made surface, or a road)	<p>If the other side of the hedge is also non-agricultural land then the hedge cannot be counted.</p> <p>However, if the other side of the hedge is on the farmers arable land, then both sides of the hedge can still be counted.</p>

Buffer Strips and Field Margins (row 132)

In row 132 column 3 record the **area of buffer strips and Field Margins which have been used to meet the greening requirement**. These are linear features and then converted to an EFA area. This area should be recorded in **hectares** to 2 decimal places. The area of buffer strips and field margins should be captured within section C3 row 424 column 21.

To count as an EFA, a buffer strip must be **next to a watercourse**, or **parallel with and on a slope leading to a watercourse** (known as an in-field buffer strip).

An in-field buffer strip is a buffer strip which must:

- be within the parcel that is alongside the watercourse
- next to arable land (or within 5 metres of it) and on the arable side of the watercourse
- be located on a slope which must lead down to the watercourse
- have a land use on either side that is any of the eligible arable crops. If the land use is fallow or temporary grass, these crops should be managed so that the in-field buffer can be distinguished from them
- have a minimum width of 1 metre
- be parallel to the water course. There is no set distance that should be maintained between the water course and the in-field buffer strip but it should be placed in a position on the slope where it can significantly influence run-off. So, ideally, it should be placed in the middle of a slope or where the slope is at its steepest.

More than one buffer strip

Farmers can count a maximum of 2 EFA buffer strips on each side of a watercourse. One of these must be directly alongside the watercourse - the other can be in the field:

The location of a buffer strip

A buffer strip can count as an EFA even if it is separated from arable land by:

- a man-made feature (for example, a fence)
- a landscape feature (for example, a hedge or a line of trees)
- a feature which isn't eligible for BPS (for example, a track)

However, the distance between the buffer strip and the arable land must not be more than 5 metres and in all cases the buffer strip must be on the arable land side of the watercourse it protects.

Where a hedge is next to a watercourse and is carrying out the function of a buffer strip, it can be counted as a hedge, but the area cannot be counted as a buffer strip.

An 'in-field' buffer strip must be all of the following:

- have arable land, or be within 5 metres of arable land, on both sides
- parallel to a watercourse
- on a slope that leads down to a watercourse
- within an arable land parcel that is alongside a watercourse

How to measure the width of a buffer strip

Farmers should measure buffer strips from edge to edge. Or, if the strip is directly next to the watercourse, they can measure it from the top of the bank, then away from the watercourse. To count, a buffer strip must have a minimum width of 1 metre.

To count as an EFA, a Field Margin must be:

- an uncultivated margin around the perimeter of fields against the permanent parcel boundary or surrounding internal landscape features within the parcel
- it must not be used for crop production although it can be grazed or cut as long as there is a difference between it and the adjoining agricultural land

EFA Buffer Strips and Field margins can overlap the cross compliance buffers required to protect hedges and surface water

Areas with catch crops or green cover (row 133)

In row 133 column 3 record the **area of catch crops or green cover which have been used to meet the greening requirement**. This area should be recorded in **hectares** to 2 decimal places.

To count as an EFA, catch crops must be established by 20th August and retained until at least 14th October

To count as an EFA, cover crops must be established by 1 October and retained until at least 15 January the following year.

The areas of green cover crops should be captured within section C2 (Arable fertility crop), crop code 329 and type code 3.

The areas of catch crops should be captured within section C3 using a type code of 3 for the following crop codes: 400, 415, 416 and 417, **however the regulations don't allow farmers to include crops that are usually grazed, so kale and stubble turnips don't count**.

Catch crops/green cover may not be included in the FAS24 if they are planted in the autumn of 2019 and have not been used, these areas would need to be recorded for EFA in section S.

Catch crops are those crops which are planted after the harvest and before the sowing of winter crops. Green cover is present on the land all through winter.

Catch and cover crops are designed to protect the soil and use available nutrients between harvest and sowing. The crops farmers can grow are those that give the best chance of:

- establishing within the sowing period
- growing quickly
- achieving ground cover
- having different rooting depth types.

Farmers must use a sown mix of at least 2 different cover types (1 cereal and 1 non-cereal).

However, grass can be used as either a catch crop or a cover crop as long as it was undersown in the previous crop and is sufficiently established.

Crops that farmers can grow in the sown mix are:

- Rye
- Vetch
- Phacelia
- Barley
- Mustard
- Oats
- Lucerne

The regulations don't allow farmers to include crops that are usually grazed, so **kale and stubble turnips don't count**. Farmers can include other crops in their catch crops or cover crops, but these areas cannot count as part of their EFA.

There are no restrictions on the management of catch or cover crops outside these periods. However, farmer's EFA areas should not be sown with the intention of being used for harvesting or grazing. The cover does not need to be destroyed after these periods and it can be grazed outside of them.

Areas with nitrogen fixing crops (row 134)

In row 134 column 3 record the **area of nitrogen fixing crops which have been used to meet the greening requirement**. This area should be recorded in **hectares** to 2 decimal places. The areas of nitrogen fixing crops should be captured within sections C2 and C3 for the following crop codes: 61 to 68, 160 to 163, 250 to 251 and 417.

Nitrogen Fixing Crops may be grown on their own or in mixtures with other crops providing the nitrogen fixing crops make up at least 51% of the plants in the field.

Plant Protection Products cannot be applied to EFA Nitrogen Fixing Crops during the period from sowing to harvest.

Table D provides a list of crops that count as nitrogen-fixing crops. The minimum area of nitrogen-fixing crops you can count is 0.01 hectares (100m²). For a pasture legume (Bird's foot trefoil, Clover, Lucerne, Sainfoin, Sweet Clover) to count as a nitrogen fixing crop it has to be grown on its own. Therefore if they are grown in mixtures with grass they cannot be counted.

Table D: Crops that count as nitrogen fixing crops

Crop	Genus	This includes:
Beans	<i>Vicia</i>	Broad beans, Field beans, Tic beans, Vetches (if you grow these on their own and they aren't part of a mix)
Chickpea	<i>Cicer</i>	Chickpea
Cowpea	<i>Vigna</i>	Black eye peas, Cowpeas
Fenugreek	<i>Trigonella</i>	Fenugreek
Green beans	<i>Phaseolus</i>	French beans, Green beans, Haricot beans, Runner beans
Lentils	<i>Lens</i>	Lentils
Lupins	<i>Lupinus</i>	Lupins
Peas	<i>Pisum</i>	Feed pea, Mangetout, Marrow fat pea, Snap pea, Snow pea, Vining pea
Soya	<i>Glycine</i>	Soya bean, Soybean
Bird's foot trefoil	<i>Lotus</i>	Bird's foot trefoil
Clover	<i>Trifolium</i>	clovers and some trefoils
Lucerne	<i>Medicago</i>	Lucerne (Alfalfa), Black medic
Sainfoin	<i>Onobrychis</i>	sainfoins
Sweet Clover	<i>Melilotus</i>	sweet clovers

**Welsh Ecological Focus Area (EFA) features (rows 140, 141, 144 & 145)
(Refer to Wales only)**

Row 140 – Short Rotation Coppice

Row 141 – Afforested areas used to claim Single farm Payment in 2008

Row 144 – EFA Stone walls (single sided) which apply in Wales only

Row 145 – EFA Stone walls (double sided) which apply in Wales only

Ecological Focus Areas (EFA) - Working Tables in the electronic FAS24 (Additional instructions added 2018/19)

Completing the working table that feeds into Rows 130 to 141 in Section S

- When obtaining Lengths & Areas from the farmers BPS claim form **[Part D: Greening: ecological focus areas (EFA)]**, the 'Area for EFA' is the weighted area
- Please note that Section S areas are before weighting

In the FAS24 working Table – Lengths of BPS claimed hedges/buffer strips are recorded in metres and adjusted as follows:

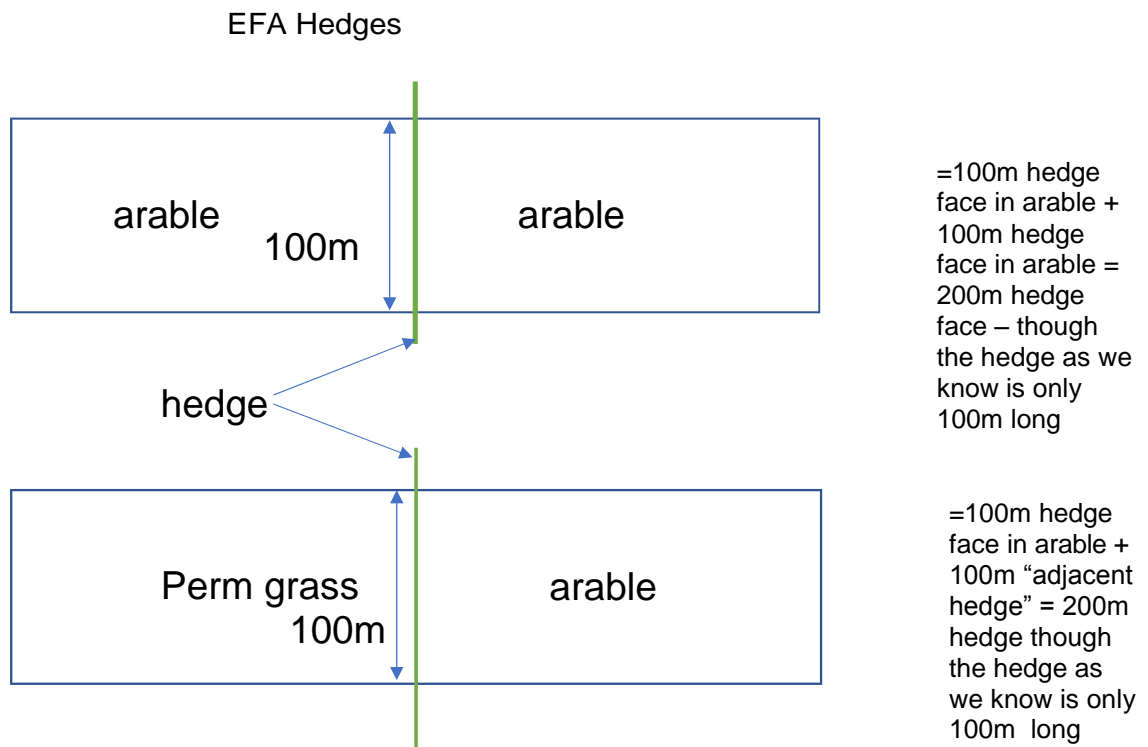
Buffer strips & Field margins

- Enter the length of buffer strips
 - E.g. 10,000 metres
- The Calculated EFA area going into Section S row 132 will be 6 ha
 - i.e. x 6 conversion factor & divide by 10,000 to get from m² to ha
- The weighted area as shown on the BPS form will be 9 ha
 - i.e. x 9 conversion factor & divide by 10,000 to get from m² to ha
- **Another complication**
 - For conversion purposes all buffer strips lengths use the x6 and x9 conversion factors as stated above
 - However, for BPS 2018, field margins as well as buffer strips (beside a watercourse) can be used as long as they are a minimum of 1m wide
 - As it is a standard conversion, buffer strips/field margins that are less than 6m wide, will count as a larger area of EFA than the actual area of fallow
 - If this is the case, actual areas should be recorded in Section C2 & C3, and the length of buffer strip recorded in Section S
- Please note that where the actual width of the buffer strip/field margin may be less than 6 metres, the area recorded in Section C3 row 424, could be less than the EFA area claimed
- There will be a type 2 validation check explaining that this is the case

Hedges

- Only hedges beside or in-between arable land count towards EFA
- The hedge length recorded on the BPS summary statement is the length of hedge face and has already been adjusted for single and double sided
- Hence, on the BPS form both use the same conversion to weighted EFA area of 5m per m²
- Hedges (Internal) – arable land on both side of the hedge
 - Both hedge faces are eligible when arable land on both sides of hedge responsibility of farmer
 - If farmer only responsible for one side of hedge, only count one side
- Hedges (adjacent) – arable land on only one side of hedge with a track or permanent grassland on other side of the hedge. Allows you to claim adjacent side of hedge
- Where arable land hedge has non arable land on the other side, it can be counted as adjacent when the farm is responsible for that side of the hedge

Example:



The sides of the hedge adjacent to grass contributes to the EFA area, however the on-line application system prevents you from applying for EFA hedge in the permanent grass field (because EFA land has to be on arable land). The “work around” is to apply for “adjacent hedge” (eg the length of hedge against a track or permanent grassland) via the arable field. Hedges that bisect two fields of permanent grassland can’t be used for EFA.

19. **SECTION T - FARM VEHICLES, UTILITIES, LORRIES AND VANS**

1. The purpose of this section is to provide a breakdown of machinery purchases and sales into five categories. The value of these purchases and sales will already have been recorded in Section F line 7 and Section G line 15. Purchases should only include individual vehicles or machines with a purchase price in excess of £500

The four categories are:

(a) Cars, all-terrain vehicles (ATV), motorcycles, trucks & vans (line 1).

This covers the **farm share** (i.e. **excluding** private share) of cars, agri-buggies, utility vehicles and other off road vehicles, three and four wheeled motorcycles designed as all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, trucks and vans (with an unladen weight not exceeding 3.5 tonnes)

(b) Lorries (line 2).

This covers larger goods vehicles (over 3.5 tonnes unladen weight)

(c) Tractors (line 3).

This covers all tractors, self-propelled sprayers, tele-handlers, crawlers, bobcats, diggers/excavators and forklift trucks

(d) Other machinery (line 4).

This covers all cultivating, harvesting and other machinery, including other movable and fixed agricultural and non-agricultural specific machinery, office machinery and food processing machinery. It also includes all plant machinery associated with the generation of renewable energy (green technology)

(e) Of the total values recorded under 'other machinery', sub-totals should be recorded by type of machinery:

a. cultivating (line 6)

b. harvesting (line 7)

c. other (line 8)

d. green technology (line 9)

(This covers all plant and machinery associated with the generation of renewable energy)

See Appendix 17 for a fuller description of the types of machinery

Integrated System: Sections T and U

Summarises machinery investment, and is linked to data recorded in the depreciation sheets.

The only direct entry is for the numbers of various vehicles purchased and sold, and any grant claims.

Definition of Columns

2. Purchases and Sales (cols. 1 to 6).

For each type of vehicle or machine, record the value of purchases of both new and used vehicles and machines, whether purchased outright, bought under a hire purchase or lease purchase agreement or acquired under a finance lease. Record all sales of assets including the value of items sold for scrap and any rebates of rentals following the termination of a finance lease. Where an asset is traded-in or part-exchanged, care should be taken not to overvalue it in cases where a discount on the purchase price of the replacement item is given as an enhanced trade-in price. The true sales value should be recorded in the sales column and the true discounted purchase price in the appropriate purchases column.

The number of cars, all-terrain vehicles, trucks & vans (line 1), lorries (line 2) and tractors (line 3) purchased and sold should also be recorded.

Note that:

T1 line 5 col. 7 = F line 7 col. 2 = G line 15 col. 5 - col. 7

T1 line 5 col. 10 = G line 15 col. 6

3. Capital Value of New Leases (col. 8).

Record here the total payments (excluding interest charges and VAT) on all machinery and vehicles acquired under a FINANCE leasing agreement made over the length of the agreement. Under such agreements the lessee never owns the item and is not entitled to any capital allowances against income or corporation tax on it. Only the leaser can claim such capital allowances.

4. Capital Value of New Hire Purchase Contracts (col. 9).

Record here the total payments (excluding interest charges and VAT) on all machinery and vehicles acquired under a hire purchase or lease purchase agreement made over the length of the agreement. Under such agreements the lessee eventually owns the item or has the option to buy it and is entitled to a capital allowance on it against income or corporation tax.

5. Grant Received (col. 10).

Record here any capital grant received.

6. Opening and Closing Valuations, Revaluation and Depreciation (cols. 11 – 14)

Record here the opening and closing valuation of machinery together with any revaluation and depreciation.

20. SECTION U - OWN ACCOUNT AND CONTRACTED INVESTMENT

1. Investment in buildings and works, woodland, glasshouses and permanent crops should be split between work done and/or materials provided by the farm and work done and/or materials provided by outside contractors. Included under 'farm' should be all work carried out by the farmer and spouse, family workers and hired farm workers. Work done by outside firms, contractors or labour hired by the farmer specifically to undertake building work should be entered under contractors. In some cases there may be an entry under both e.g. where the materials are supplied by the farmer, but the labour is supplied by a building contractor. In all cases materials purchased by the farmer should be recorded under farm and all payments to contractors should be recorded under contractors. All expenditure should be recorded at gross cost before grant.

Total investment in woodlands (G line 29), buildings (G line 31), other improvements and works (G line 32) glasshouses (G line 13) and permanent crops (G line 14) in (U col. 1) should equal Section G cols. 3, 4 and 5, lines 13+14+29+31+32.G

21. SECTION X – SUBMISSION OF DATA CREDIBILITY CHECK DATA

After running the credibility checks, record in the “Check” column the X codes for data submission, with a brief explanation of the reasons for Type 2 by-passes in the “Reasons for acceptance column”. A lookup table exists so that where a common explanation is used for a credibility check this can be automatically entered. Care needs to be taken with the lookup table to ensure that the X codes remain in alphabetical order to ensure the correct type 2 details are used. A comment appears when the list is not in order, and a macro is available to re-sort the list to the correct order again.

In spreadsheet column M there is a table which allows comments to be added to the csv file to provide Defra with additional information about the account which may help in query sorting at a later date.

Type 1 checks	Indicate an error in the data and cannot be by-passed.
Type 2 checks	Are generally FADN checks and can only be by-passed, following a review of the data by the RO, if a brief explanation is included in the “reasons for acceptance” column.
Type 3 checks	These checks may be by-passed once the RO is sure that the data is correct.

22. SECTION AA – SUMMARY RECORD OF SUBMISSIONS

Integrated system: Section AA

To the right of the Section AA details is a table which allows the submission history to be recorded. Column 1 indicates to Defra the areas of the FBS record which are being submitted. The number “1” should be entered in column 1 (lines 1 to 8) to indicate the areas being submitted:

FAS24	Line 1
J&K	Line 2 (Wales)
M1	Line 3
M2	Line 4
N	Line 5 (Wales)
R	Line 7
F3	Line 12

The entries in column 1 will change as various modules are completed at different times.

A submission history is possible by recording previous details in the columns to the right.

23. SECTION Y – STRUCTURAL CHANGE

Integrated System: Section Y

Details of structure change are recorded by manual data entry. Cell headings colour coded to match with colour coding of codes and descriptions.

The purpose of this section is to pick up structural changes on farms that cover every, and all structural change, as opposed to normal changes instigated by management in response to the dynamic nature of farming and responding to economic conditions. Completion should only be for active farms in the FBS; for those exiting the survey a 'leaving form' is completed which includes questions on whether the reason for leaving is related to structural change of the farm business.

Structural change is a significant and deep reaching change in the **management, production and or ownership / tenure** of farms and or farm resources. These changes are generally those changes that occur infrequently on an individual farm and are likely to result in a change in the future direction of the farming business To avoid capturing small scale changes on farms, a 25% trigger is suggested as guidance (and only as guidance); to indicate if a structural change has occurred.

Management Changes –With regard to the management preceding and following the change, there has been a change in management that relates to either the whole or part of the farming business. If there is a change of farmer (Section B row 19) an entry in Y is expected. Where the change relates to part of the business (for example, and enterprise, cost centre or farmstead etc.) that part should account for at least 25% of the turnover, land area, livestock intensity (LGUs) etc.

Production Change – A structural change in relation to production is where there is for example a:

- Complete cessation of a previously operated enterprise/income stream
- Introduction of a new enterprise/income stream
- Significant change (+/-) in the scale or intensity of an enterprise
- Significant change (+/-) in resources (land, buildings, capital, machinery, labour or livestock)

Ownership/Tenure - With regard to the ownership / tenure of farm resources immediately preceding and following the change, there has been a structural change if a significant difference is observed to the balance sheet value and or open market value of the resources managed have either changed ownership or tenure. Again a trigger of 25% can be used to determine whether structural change has happened. Examples would include purchase of freehold, cessation of a Full Agricultural Tenancy (FAT) and creation of a Farm Business Tenancy (FBT). Taking on extra land (say, 25% extra) owned or under rental agreement(s).

Recording of changes in this section is focused on observing changes in the business structure and to the physical resource base of farms. While the transaction data of such changes will be evident elsewhere in the farm record data recorded here will shed further light on the changes.

Where there is a significant change in the physical resources of the farm an entry in Y is expected. As a guideline, any change in the physical resources of over 20% or 25% depending on the nature of the resource (20% for physical resources and 25% for financial resources) of the base figure triggers a validation check for the RO to consider whether structural change has taken place in the year, or the change is simple the result of annual year-on year change associated with the normal operation of the farm business. **Where both increases and decreases occur in one year, the change that is most significant should be considered**. For example, farmer sells small area of land for development at high price and reinvests funds to purchase additional land [more than area sold for development], with the latter noted as most significant and recorded as follows: column 11, code 1; column 12, code2; column 13, code 3.

1. Row Code

This relates the structural change to the accounting year in which it occurs. Structural change which occurred during the period to which the farm account pertains should be recorded in line 1.

2. MDC

Code	Description
0	No data missing
7	Data refused by co-operator
8	Data otherwise unavailable
1	Default setting to trigger RO entry

3. Change in business structure relating to the farmer (cols 1 & 2)

This details a change to the farmer as indicated in Section B row 19 or where the farm enters into a joint venture/contract farming agreement. Where there is a change of farmer an entry is given in column 1. Where column 1 is completed an entry is expected in column 2.

f. Column 1 (consequence of change)

Code	Description
0	No change
1	Farm business continuing but being managed by other family member
2	Farm business continuing but being managed by another (non-family)
8	Farm business continuing but entering into a joint venture/contract agreement

g. Column 2 (primary reason for change)

Code	Description
0	No change
2	Better business/employment opportunity outside agriculture
3	Maternity
4	Retirement due to age
5	Retirement due to ill health
6	Death of farmer
7	Divorce or other family settlement
8	Financial failure of business
9	Other
10	Unknown
11	Change in management structure

4. Change in physical Resource Base (cols 11 to 13)

This details significant changes in the physical resource base of the farm; land, buildings, dwellings and other. Column 11 indicates either an increase or decrease in the physical resources. Column 12 details the source or reason for the change and column 13 details the resource gained or lost. Code 3 in column 11 or code 6 in columns 12 and 13 will require a Section X explanation.

Where both increases and decreases occur in one year, the change that is most significant is the one to be recorded.

Where column 11 is completed entries are expected in columns 12 and 13.

a) Column 11 (Relating to business)

Code	Description
0	No change
1	Addition of resources to farm business
2	Reduction of resources to farm business
3	Other

b) Column 12 (Relating to nature of resources)

Code	Description
0	No change
1	Inheritance/bequest
2	Purchase of new resources
3	Sale of existing resources
4	Lease (e.g. FBT)
5	License (e.g. CFA)
6	Other
7	Unknown

c) **Column 13 (Resources transferred)**

Code	Description
0	No change
1	Entire farm
2	Buildings only
3	Land only
4	Dwellings only
5	Land and buildings
6	Other including machinery
7	Unknown

Example 1: a farmer who passes on the management of the business as an unchanged going concern to a successor due to ill health, but remains partly physically active on the farm, should be coded as 1; 5; 0; 0; 0; from cols 1 to 2 to 11 to 12 & to 13 respectively

Example 2: a farmer buys more land to establish a cider orchard to supplement current enterprises funded by sale of farm cottage be coded as 0; 0; 1; 3; 3; from cols 1 to 2 to 11 to 12 & to 13 respectively

MISCELLANEOUS INTEGRATED SYSTEM WORKSHEETS

Scratch pad

A blank sheet in the workbook for RO calculations,

Class

Calculates the farm classification and shows the SLR calculation, based on livestock numbers and crop areas from within the FAS24. No data entry required. Sheet contains details of the individual elements of each farm type classification with colour references to each element of the calculation.

SLR

Calculates the SLR based on livestock numbers and crop areas. No data entry required.

Entry of livestock numbers and crop areas under the given heading calculates the farm type and classification for the following year to help identifying changes in Centre farm sample. Calculations use the NextClass and next SLR sheets and duplicate the Class and SLR calculations.

LYData

Linked to the previous years FAS24 file. The data is held on one sheet so that links to the previous file can be easily broken to reduce file size.

Centre Data

Option sheet where Centres can enter their own data. This can then be stored in the same csv format as that used by Defra. This can then be entered into their own database.

Lookups

Sheet used in the calculation of Basic Payment Scheme valuations.

1. APPENDIX 1 – EU REGIONS, ENGLAND REGIONS, COUNTIES & ACCOUNTANCY OFFICES

EU REGION	ENGLAND REGION	COUNTY, Unitary Authority (UA), OR METROPOLITAN COUNTY	NUTS3_2013	ACCOUNTANCY OFFICE						
East England	East Midlands	4	South and West Derbyshire	49	613 UKF13	Nottingham	04			
		East Derbyshire	17	612 UKF12						
		Leicestershire	31	622 UKF22						
		Lincolnshire*	32	630 UKF30						
		West Northamptonshire	34	624 UKF24						
		North Northamptonshire	34	625 UKF25						
		North Nottinghamshire	50	615 UKF15						
		South Nottinghamshire	37	616 UKF16						
		Derby	109	611 UKF11						
		Leicester	116	621 UKF21						
		Rutland	131	622 UKF22						
		Nottingham	124	614 UKF14						
		East of England	6	Bedford	09			824 UKH24	Cambridge	05
	Central Bedfordshire		09	825 UKH25						
	Cambridgeshire		12	812 UKH12						
	Essex Haven Gateway		22	834 UKH34						
	West Essex		22	835 UKH35						
	Heart of Essex		22	836 UKH36						
	Essex Thames Gateway		22	837 UKH37						
	Hertfordshire		26	823 UKH23						
	Norwich & East Norfolk		33	815 UKH15						
	North & West Norfolk		33	816 UKH16						
	Breckland & South Norfolk		33	817 UKH17						
	Suffolk		42	814 UKH14						
	Peterborough		125	811 UKH11						
	Luton		117	821 UKH21						
	Southend-on-Sea		135	831 UKH31						
	Thurrock		140	832 UKH32						
	London		7	Camden & City of London	60	931 UKI31	Reading**	07		
			Westminster	60	932 UKI32					
		Kensington and Chelsea & Hammersmith and Fulham	60	933 UKI33						
		Wandsworth	60	934 UKI34						
		Hackney & Newham	61	941 UK14	Cambridge**	05				
		Tower Hamlets	61	942 UKI42						
		Haringey & Islington	61	943 UKI43						
		Lewisham & Southwark	61	944 UKI44						
		Lambeth	61	945 UKI45						
Bexley & Greenwich		62	951 UKI51							
Barking and Dagenham & Havering		62	952 UKI52							
Redbridge & Waltham Forest		62	953 UKI53							
Enfield		62	954 UKI54	Reading**	07					
Bromley		63	961 UKI61							
Croydon		63	962 UKI62							

			Merton, Kingston upon Thames & Sutton	63	963 UKI63				
			Barnet	64	971 UKI71				
			Brent	64	972 UKI72				
			Ealing	64	973 UKI73				
			Harrow & Hillingdon	64	974 UKI74				
			Hounslow & Richmond upon Thames	64	975 UKI75				
	South East	8	Buckinghamshire	11	1013 UKJ13	Reading	07		
			East Sussex	21	1022 UKJ22				
			South Hampshire	24	1035 UKJ35				
			Central Hampshire	24	1036 UKJ36				
			North Hampshire	24	1037 UKJ37				
			Kent Thames Gateway	29	1043 UKJ43				
			East Kent	29	1044 UKJ44				
			Mid Kent	29	1045 UKJ45				
			West Kent	29	1046 UKJ46				
			Oxfordshire	38	1014 UKJ14				
			West Surrey	43	1025 UKJ25				
			East Surrey	43	1026 UKJ26				
			West Sussex (South West)	45	1027 UKJ27				
			West Sussex (North East)	45	1028 UKJ28				
			Medway	118	1041 UKJ41				
			Berkshire	143	1011 UKJ11				
			Milton Keynes	120	1012 UKJ12				
			Brighton and Hove	106	1021 UKJ21				
			Portsmouth	128	1031 UKJ31				
			Southampton	134	1032 UKJ32				
			Isle of Wight	114	1034 UKJ34				
North England	411	North East	1	Durham	20	314 UKC14	Newcastle	01	
				Northumberland	35	321 UKC21			
				Tyneside	73	322 UKC22			
				Sunderland	74	323 UKC23			
				Hartlepool	112	311 UKC11			
				Middlesbrough	119	312 UKC12	Askham Bryan	02	
				Redcar and Cleveland	130	312 UKC12	Newcastle	01	
				Stockton-on-Tees	136	311 UKC11			
				Darlington	108	313 UKC13			
	North West	2			Cheshire East	13	462 UKD62	Askham Bryan & Nottingham	02/04
					Cheshire West and Chester	13	463 UKD63		
					East Cumbria	48	412 UKD12	Newcastle	01
					West Cumbria	16	411 UKD11		
					Lancaster & Wyre	30	444 UKD44	Askham Bryan & Newcastle	02/01
					Mid Lancashire	30	445 UKD45		
					East Lancashire	30	446 UKD46		
					Chorley & West Lancashire	30	447 UKD47		
					Manchester	65	433 UKD33		
					Greater Manchester South West	65	434 UKD34	Askham Bryan	02
Greater Manchester South East	65	435 UKD35							
Greater Manchester North West	66	436 UKD36							

				Greater Manchester North East	66	437 UKD37				
				Liverpool	68	472 UKD72				
				Sefton	69	473 UKD73				
				Wirral	70	474 UKD74				
				East Merseyside	67	471 UKD71				
				Halton	111	471 UKD71				
				Warrington	142	461 UKD61				
				Blackburn with Darwen	102	441 UKD41				
				Blackpool	103	442 UKD42				
		Yorkshire & The Humber	3	North Yorkshire	36	522 UKE22	Askham Bryan	02		
				Bradford	80	541 UKE41				
				Leeds	81	542 UKE42				
				Calderdale and Kirklees	82	544 UKE44				
				Wakefield	82	545 UKE45				
				Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham	71	531 UKE31				
				Sheffield	72	532 UKE32				
				Kingston upon Hull, City of	115	511 UKE11				
				East Riding of Yorkshire	110	512 UKE12				
				North and North East Lincolnshire	513	513 UKE13			Nottingham	04
				North East Lincolnshire	121	513 UKE13	Askham Bryan	02		
				North Lincolnshire	122	513 UKE13				
				York	146	521 UKE21				
West England	413	South West	9	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	15	1130 UKK30	Duchy	09		
				Devon	18	1143 UKK43				
				Dorset	19	1122 UKK22				
				Gloucestershire	23	1113 UKK13	Reading	07		
				Somerset	40	1123 UKK23	Duchy	09		
				Wiltshire	46	1115 UKK15	Reading	07		
				Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire	101	1112 UKK12				
				Bristol, City of	107	1111 UKK11				
				Plymouth	126	1141 UKK41	Duchy	09		
				Torbay	141	1142 UKK42				
				Bournemouth and Poole	1121	1121 UKK21	Reading	07		
				Bournemouth	104	1121 UKK21				
				Poole	127	1121 UKK21				
				Swindon	138	1114 UKK14				
				West Midlands	5			Shropshire	39	722 UKG22
		Staffordshire	41					724 UKG24	Nottingham	04
		Warwickshire	44					713 UKG13	Reading	07
		Worcestershire	47					712 UKG12		
		Birmingham	75					731 UKG31		
		Solihull	76					732 UKG32		
		Coventry	77					733 UKG33		
		Dudley	78					736 UKG36		
		Sandwell	78					737 UKG37		
Walsall	79	738 UKG38								
Wolverhampton	79	739 UKG39								
Herefordshire	113	711 UKG11								
Telford and Wrekin	139	721 UKG21								
Stoke on Trent	137	723 UKG23								

Wales	(There are no GORs in Wales, but A(60) will be coded as 10)	Blaenau Gwent	201	1216 UKL16	Aberystwyth	10
		Bridgend and Neath Port Talbot	1217	1217 UKL17		
		Bridgend	202	1217 UKL17		
		Neath Port Talbot	214	1217 UKL17		
		Caerphilly	203	1216 UKL16		
		Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan	1222	1222 UKL22		
		Cardiff	204	1222 UKL22		
		The Vale of Glamorgan	220	1222 UKL22		
		Carmarthenshire	205	1214 UKL14		
		Ceredigion	206	1214 UKL14		
		Conwy and Denbighshire	1213	1213 UKL13		
		Conwy	207	1213 UKL13		
		Denbighshire	208	1213 UKL13		
		Flintshire and Wrexham	1223	1223 UKL23		
		Flintshire	209	1223 UKL23		
		Wrexham	222	1223 UKL23		
		Gwynedd	210	1212 UKL12		
		Ynys Mon/Anglesey	211	1211 UKL11		
		Merthyr Tydfil	212	1215 UKL15		
		Monmouthshire and Newport	1221	1221 UKL21		
		Monmouthshire	213	1221 UKL21		
		Newport	215	1221 UKL21		
		Pembrokeshire	216	1214 UKL14		
		Powys	217	1224 UKL24		
		Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	218	1215 UKL15		
		Swansea	219	1218 UKL18		
		Torfaen	221	1216 UKL16		
		South West Wales	1214	1214 UKL14		
		Central Valleys	1215	1215 UKL15		
		Gwent Valleys	1216	1216 UKL16		

Footnotes:

* Nottingham are responsible for the county of Lincolnshire, excluding the (old) district of Holland. The (new) South Holland and Boston districts are in the Cambridge collection area.

** Greater London is split into 21 districts and are allocated between Cambridge and Reading

2. APPENDIX 2 - ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS AND ACTIVITIES: JOINT CHARACTER AREAS CLASSIFICATIONS

1. North Northumberland Coastal Plain
2. Northumberland Sandstone Hills
3. Cheviot Fringe
4. Cheviots
5. Border Moors and Forest
6. Solway Basin
7. West Cumbria Coastal Plain
8. Cumbria High Fells
9. Eden Valley
10. North Pennines
11. Tyne Gap and Hadrian's Wall
12. Mid Northumberland
13. South East Northumberland Coastal Plain
14. Tyne & Wear Lowlands
15. Durham Magnesian Limestone Plateau
16. Durham Coalfield Pennine Fringe
17. Orton Fells
18. Howgill Fells
19. South Cumbria Low Fells
20. Morecambe Bay Limestone
21. Yorkshire Dales
22. Pennine Dales Fringe
23. Tees Lowlands
24. Vale of Mowbray
25. North Yorkshire Moors and Cleveland Hills
26. Vale of Pickering
27. Yorkshire Wolds
28. Vale of York
29. Howardian Hills
30. Southern Magnesian
31. Morecambe Coast and Lune Estuary
32. Lancashire and Amounderness Plain
33. Bowland Fringe and Pendle Hill
34. Bowland Fells
35. Lancashire Valleys
36. Southern Pennines
37. Yorkshire Southern Pennine Fringe
38. Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire and Yorkshire Coalfield
39. Humberhead Levels Limestone
40. Holderness
41. Humber Estuary
42. Lincolnshire Coast and Marshes
43. Lincolnshire Wolds
44. Central Lincolnshire Vale
45. Northern Lincolnshire Edge with Coversands
46. The Fens
47. Southern Lincolnshire Edge
48. Trent and Belvoir Vales
49. Sherwood
50. Derbyshire Peak Fringe and Lower Derwent
51. Dark Peak
52. White Peak
53. South West Peak
54. Manchester Pennine Fringe
55. Manchester Conurbation
56. Lancashire Coal Measures

57. Sefton Coast
58. Merseyside Conurbation
59. Wirral
60. Mersey Valley
61. Shropshire, Cheshire and Staffordshire Plain
62. Cheshire Sandstone Ridge
63. Oswestry Uplands
64. Potteries & Churnet Valley
65. Shropshire Hills
66. Mid Severn Sandstone Plateau
67. Cannock Chase and Cank Wood
68. Needwood and South Derbyshire Claylands
69. Trent Valley Washland
70. Melbourne Parklands
71. Leicestershire and South Derbyshire Coalfield
72. Mease / Sence Lowlands
73. Charnwood
74. Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire Wolds
75. Kesteven Uplands
76. North West Norfolk
77. North Norfolk Coast
78. Central North Norfolk
79. North East Norfolk and Flegg
80. The Broads
81. Greater Thames Estuary
82. Suffolk Coast and Heaths
83. South Norfolk and High Suffolk Clayland
84. Mid Norfolk
85. Breckland
86. South Suffolk and North Essex Clayland
87. East Anglian Chalk
88. Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire Clayland
89. Northamptonshire Vales
90. Bedfordshire Greensand Ridge
91. Yardley-Whittlewood Ridge
92. Rockingham Forest
93. High Leicestershire
94. Leicestershire Vales
95. Northamptonshire Uplands
96. Dunsmore and Feldon
97. Arden
98. Clun and North West Herefordshire Hills
99. Black Mountains and Golden Valley
100. Herefordshire Lowlands
101. Herefordshire Plateau
102. Teme Valley
103. Malvern Hills
104. South Herefordshire and Over Severn
105. Forest of Dean and Lower Wye
106. Severn and Avon Vales
107. Cotswolds
108. Upper Thames Clay Vales
109. Midvale Ridge
110. Chilterns
111. Northern Thames Basin
112. Inner London
113. North Kent Plain
114. Thames Basin Lowlands
115. Thames Valley
116. Berkshire and Marlborough Downs

117. Avon Vales
118. Bristol, Avon Valleys and Ridges
119. North Downs
120. Wealden Greensand
121. Low Weald
122. High Weald
123. Romney Marshes
124. Pevensey Levels
125. South Downs
126. South Coast Plain
127. Isle of Wight
128. South Hampshire Lowlands
129. Thames Basin Heaths
130. Hampshire Downs
131. New Forest
132. Salisbury Plain and West Wiltshire Downs
133. Blackmoor Vale and Vale of Wardour
134. Dorset Downs and Cranborne Chase
135. Dorset Heaths
136. South Purbeck
137. Isle of Portland
138. Weymouth Lowlands
139. Marshwood and Powerstock Vales
140. Yeovil Scarlands
141. Mendip Hills
142. Somerset Levels and Moors
143. Mid Somerset Hills
144. Quantock Hills
145. Exmoor
146. Vale of Taunton and Quantock Fringes
147. Blackdowns
148. Devon Redlands
149. The Culm
150. Dartmoor
151. South Devon
152. Cornish Killas
153. Bodmin Moor
154. Hensbarrow
155. Carnmenellis
156. West Penwith
157. The Lizard
158. Isles of Scilly
159. Lundy

3. APPENDIX 3 - CROP CODES in order of type of crop

Agricultural Crops

001	Winter wheat
002	Spring wheat
003	Mixed wheat
004	Durum wheat
005	Triticale
011	Winter barley
012	Spring barley
013	Mixed barley
021	Winter oats
022	Spring oats
023	Mixed oats
031	Rye
041	Mixed cereals
052	Grain maize
062	Peas for stockfeed
063	Peas harvested dry for human consumption
064	Lupins
066	Soya beans
065	Other protein crops
067	Spring beans
068	Winter beans
071	Potatoes - first early (i.e. wholly or mainly harvested by 31st July)
072	Processing potatoes - destined for frozen chips (not 'fresh chipping' for chip shops), crisps, canning, and dehydration, frozen and chilled
073	Ware potatoes
074	Seed potatoes
081	Sugar beet (1)
085	Sugar beet quota leased out
093	Flax (1)
094	Linseed
091	Winter oilseed rape - not double low varieties
095	Spring oilseed rape - not double low varieties
096	Winter oilseed rape - double low varieties
097	Spring oilseed rape - double low varieties
090	Crambe (a genus of about 20 species of annual and perennial flowering plants in the cabbage family Brassicaceae)
092	Other herbaceous oilseed crops (e.g. poppy seed, sunflower)
100	Hemp
101	Hops (1)
103	Medicinal plants, aromatics and spices (mustard, caraway, canary seed, saffron, borage, evening primrose etc.)
104	Herbage seed (grass and clover)
106	Other arable crops (2)
(1)	excluding seed and fodder crops
(2)	excluding horticultural produce
329	Fallow and fertility building arable crops /Ecological Focus Area (EFA) Fallow
land	

Horticultural Crops

a) Fresh Vegetables and Strawberries

109	Basic area for fresh vegetables and strawberries, multiple cropped outside or all crops grown under glass Note: The Basic Area should only be used when: a) Grown outside (Type code 4) where multiple cropping occurs (successive crops grown on the same piece of land). Where multiple cropping does not occur, no basic area is required and the vegetable crop code with Type code 1 should be used b) For all indoor crops (Type code 5)
127	Vegetable seeds, seedlings and young plants for sale
260	Cabbage - summer and autumn
261	Cabbage - winter and winter storage
136	Brussels sprouts - fresh market
137	Brussels sprouts - processing
256	Cauliflower
140	Winter hardy cauliflowers (broccoli)
255	Beetroot
253	Carrots - fresh market
254	Carrots - processing
146	Parsnips
148	Celery - self blanching
150	Parsley
151	Leeks
257	Onions - bulb
258	Onions - salad or bunch
262	Lettuce - flat or butterhead
263	Lettuce - crisp / iceberg
159	Spinach
160	Green peas - market
161	Green peas - processing
162	Broad beans - market
163	Broad beans - processing
250	Runner and french beans - market
251	Runner and french beans - processing
170	Asparagus
171	Cucumbers
173	Rhubarb
174	Marrows and courgettes
176	Turnips and swedes, mainly for human consumption
179	Tomatoes - heated glass
180	Tomatoes - cold glass
181	Other / mixed fresh vegetables (celeriac, globe and Jerusalem artichokes, chicory, aubergines, pumpkins, kohlrabi, horseradish, garlic, shallots, chives, radishes, scorzonera, gherkins, spinach beet etc.)
141	Calabrese
217	Strawberries - fresh market
218	Strawberries – processing
219	Raspberries
232	Other/mixed soft fruit including blackberries
233	Watercress
235	Sweet peppers
264	Sweetcorn

b) Nursery Stock

108	Basic area
112	Rose trees and stocks
113	Other ornamental trees and shrubs
224	Fruit stock
225	Container grown plants (112, 113, 224, 265)

c) Flowers and Ornamental Plants

110	Basic area
111	Flower bulbs and tubers
115	Herbaceous perennials
116	Cut bulb flowers - daffodils, tulips and hyacinths
123	Bedding plants, boxes of half hardy annuals etc.
125	Flower seeds, cuttings etc.
129	Chrysanthemums - including all year round, autumn and winter
120	Carnations
121	Freesias
122	All other and mixed cut flowers
124	Pot plants

d) Fruits, Berries and Field Grown Christmas Trees

190	Apples - culinary
238	Apples - dessert less than 1,200 trees per hectare
239	Apples - dessert over 1,200 trees per hectare
240	Apples - mixed dessert
197	Apples - cider
247	Pears - less than 1,200 trees per hectare
241	Pears - over 1,200 trees per hectare
246	Pears - mixed
202	Perry pears
203	Quinces
204	Cherries
205	Plums - Victorias
242	Plums - other varieties
243	Nuts - including walnuts, hazelnuts, almonds and sweet chestnuts
230	Other / mixed top fruit including peaches and apricots
214	Red and white currants
244	Blackcurrants - fresh - market and processing
219	Raspberries
220	Gooseberries
232	Other / mixed soft fruit including blackberries
222	Mixed top and soft fruit
223	Vineyard selling wine grapes
245	Vineyard selling wine
265	Field Grown Christmas trees

Mushrooms

126	Mushrooms (use a type code of 0)
128	Other, e.g. exotic

By-products

321	Straw (including thatching straw)
322	Beet tops
327	Grass seeds, hay
323	Other agricultural by-products
324	Horticultural by-products
325	Fruit by-products (note that fruit for processing should be entered under relevant maincrop code not as a by-product)
328	Vine by-products
326	Other by-products

Arable Fodder Crops

(Crops grown for Anaerobic Digestion require a type code 11 and are recorded in Section C2)

400	Fodder roots and kale - includes mangolds, swedes, fodder carrots, fodder turnips, fodder beet, other fodder roots, kale, kohlrabi, fodder rape, fodder cabbage etc.
415	Fodder maize
416	Other silage cereals
417	Other fodder crops - includes lucerne, sainfoin, vetch clover (pure sward)/'pasture legumes'

Energy Crops

099	Miscanthus
107	Short rotation coppice
89	Other specialist energy crops, e.g. switch grass / reed canary grass

Other

402	Total temporary grass
403	Total permanent grass
404	Rough grazing
405	Fallow
406	Bare land let for less than 1 year
407	Forage let for less than 1 year
409	Turf
411	Cultivations (labour & machinery only)
412	Bare land hired for less than 1 year (excluded from UAA)
413	Forage hired for less than 1 year (excluded from UAA)
422	Set-aside
431	FADN Temporary grass
432	FADN permanent pasture

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104	Herbage seed (grass and clover)
106	Other arable crops (2)
107	Short rotation coppice
108	Basic area for nursery stock
109	Basic area for fresh vegetables and strawberries grown in a market garden or under glass
110	Basic area for flowers and ornamentals
111	Flower bulbs and tubers
112	Rose trees and stocks
113	Other ornamental trees and shrubs

115	Herbaceous perennials
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124	Pot plants
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(1) Excluding seed and fodder crops

(2) Excluding horticultural produce

4. APPENDIX 4 - LIVESTOCK ENTERPRISE CODES

1. Dairy Cattle (line 7)

(a) Producer Retailer

(i)	Channel Islands breeds (Jersey, Guernsey)	1
(ii)	Other breeds	2
(iii)	Mixed Channel Islands breeds and other breeds	3

(b) Wholesaler

(i)	Channel Islands breeds (Jersey, Guernsey)	4
(ii)	Other breeds	5
(iii)	Mixed Channel Islands breeds and other breeds	6

(c)	Mixed Wholesaler/Producer Retailer - All breeds	7
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2. Other Cattle (line 23)

(A) LFA Beef cows (All of herd kept on LFA land - line 74)

Single suckling - spring calving selling stores	10
- autumn calving selling stores	11
- autumn and/or spring calving selling fat cattle	12
- mixed autumn and spring calving selling store cattle	114

Multiple suckling and mixed single and multiple suckling	15
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(B) Lowland Beef cows (None of herd kept on LFA land - line 12)

Single suckling - spring calving selling stores	18
- autumn calving selling stores	19
- autumn and/or spring calving selling fat cattle	20
- mixed autumn and spring calving selling store cattle	115

Multiple suckling and mixed single and multiple suckling	23
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(C) Mixture of LFA & Lowland Beef cows (part of herd kept on LFA land - lines 12 & 74)	26
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(D) Buying young calves/transferring in calves from the dairy herd selling/transferring out

(i)	Dairy followers	29
(ii)	Stores - young stores (150-300 kg)	30
	- forward stores (300 kg or more)	31
(iii)	Veal calves (3-6 months)	32
(iv)	Fat cattle - intensive cereal beef (8-14 months)	33
	- semi-intensive beef (15-24 months)	34
	- traditional mainly grass beef (2 yrs +)	35
(v)	Other/mixed (include here calves for rearing, reared calves, etc., mixtures of types 29 to 35)	38

(E) Buying young stores (150-300 kg) selling	
- forward stores (300 kg or more)	40
- fat cattle	41
- mixed forward stores/fat cattle	42
(F) Buying forward stores (300 kg or more) selling fat cattle	43
(G) Mixed fattening (mixtures of 2D, 2E and 2F above)	44
(H) Mixed breeding and fattening (mixtures of 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E and 2F above)	45

3. Sheep (line 38)

(a) Lowland flock (none of ewes kept on land in receipt of HFAs) selling	
- 2/3 or more of lambs store	100
- 2/3 or more of lambs fat	101
- mixed fat and store lambs (neither 2/3 or more)	102
(b) LFA flock (all of ewes kept on land in receipt of HFAs)	
- 2/3 or more of lambs store	103
- 2/3 or more of lambs fat	104
- mixed fat and store lambs (neither 2/3 or more)	105
(c) Mixed breeding (mixture of Lowland and LFA flocks)	106
(d) Buying stores selling fat sheep	63
(e) Mixed breeding/buying stores selling fat sheep/other	64

4. Pigs (line 49)

(a) Outdoor breeding selling	
- weaners	65
- fat pigs	66
- mixed weaners/fat pigs	67
(b) Indoor breeding selling	
- weaners	68
- fat pigs	69
- mixed weaners/fat pigs	70
(c) Mixed indoor/outdoor breeding	71
(d) Buying weaners selling fat pigs	72
(e) Mixed breeding/buying weaners selling fat pigs/other	73

5. Poultry (lines 53 to 60)**(a) Laying hens selling**

- breeding poultry (hatching eggs, day old chicks and/or pullets)	74
- eggs for eating - battery	75
- deep litter	76
- mixed battery/deep litter/barn/free range	77
- farmyard/non commercial	78
- <i>free range</i>	87
- mixed breeding poultry/eggs for eating/other	79

(b) Buying hatching eggs or day-old chicks, selling reared / point of lay pullets 80**(c) Broilers (line 57)** 81**(d) Other table chickens - capons etc. (line 58)** 82**(e) Turkeys (line 59)** 83**(f) Ducks, geese and other poultry (line 60)** 84**6. Other livestock (used in lines 66, 67, 69 & 71)****(a) Goats** 85**(b) Deer (line 67)** 107**(c) Other animals & miscellaneous livestock receipts (line 66)**

Sheep for dairy purposes	108
Buffalo	109
Alpaca	110
Ostrich	111
Wild boar	112
Others	113
Goats for dairy purposes	116
Bees	117
Honey and bee by-products	118

NB Contract Rearing

When livestock are produced under contract increase the code by 2000, e.g. broilers under contract 2081. For goats under contract use code 2085.

Where a farm produces a type of livestock both under contract and on its own behalf the enterprise code should be increased by 1000 (e.g. broilers partly under contract and partly on own behalf should be entered as 1081) and a comment made. For goats partly under contract use type code 1085.

5. APPENDIX 5 - MILK PRODUCTS CONVERSION FACTORS

		Litres of Liquid Whole Milk per Tonne of Product
Butter -	summer milk	20,540
	winter milk	20,540
Cheese -	Cheddar / Dunlop	9,365
	Cheshire	9,089
	Lancashire	8,809
	Derby	9,637
	Double Gloucester	9,619
	Leicester	9,702
	Caerphilly	9,075
	Wensleydale	9,082
	Stilton	9,050
	soft cream	8,950
		Litres of Milk with 4.06% Fat Content per Litre of Cream
Cream -	with 55% fat content	13.4
	48% fat content	11.8
	35% fat content	8.6
	23% fat content	5.7
	18% fat content	4.5
	12% fat content	3.0
		Litres of Milk with 3.9% Fat Content per Tonne of Cream
	with 55% fat content	13,758
	48% fat content	12,005
	35% fat content	8,664
	23% fat content	5,715
	18% fat content	4,403
	12% fat content	2,946

Source: UK Dairy Facts and Figures.

6. APPENDIX 6 – CALCULATION OF LIVESTOCK CLOSING VALUATIONS

Example 1: No significant change in SIZE or QUALITY of herd during year

(Judgements must be made by the farmer and RO on whether small changes in the age structure and size of the herd significantly affect the average value per head)

Method: Assume same average value per head, before BLSA, at closing valuation as in opening valuation.

Opening valuation: 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750
 Purchases/transfers in: 15 cows in at £22,500 (i.e. @ £1500 per head)
 Sales/transfers out: 15 cows out at £10,500 (i.e. £700 per head)

Closing valuation: 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750 + BLSA.

Example 2: A Significant increase in SIZE of herd

Method: Adjust the value of the animals in the closing valuation to reflect the change in herd structure; e.g. if the herd size increases due to additional purchases/transfers in of heifers-in-calf, then the average value per head, before BLSA, should be higher than in the opening valuation. Calculate the closing value as if there was no change in herd size and then add on the value of the additional animals.

Opening valuation: 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750
 Purchases/transfers in: 25 cows in at £37,500 (i.e. @ £1500 per head)
 Sales/transfers out: 15 cows out at £10,500 (i.e. £700 per head)

Closing valuation (CV): 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750,
plus an additional 10 cows @ £1,420 (assuming depreciation per head per year = £160 and animals on farm for half of year i.e. £1,500 per head cost of purchase/transfer less half year depreciation £80) = £14,200

Therefore, total closing valuation is 85 cows worth £92,950 [CV assuming no change in numbers (£78,750) plus value of additional cows after half year depreciation (£14,200)] (i.e. £1,094 per head before BLSA) + BLSA.

Example 3: A Significant decrease in SIZE of herd

Where the herd is contracting, the average age of the animals remaining may rise and the average value per head, before BLSA, may consequently fall. Calculate the closing value as if there was no change in herd size and then deduct the value of the shortfall.

Opening valuation: 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750
 Purchases/transfers in: 5 cows in at £7,500 (i.e. £1500 per head)
 Sales/transfers out: 15 cows out at £10,500 (i.e. £700 per head)

Closing valuation (CV): 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750
less 10 new animals @ £1,420 (see assumptions above) = £14,200

Therefore, total closing valuation is 65 cows worth £64,550 [CV assuming no change in numbers (£78,750) less value after half year depreciation of 10 new animals not brought into herd (£14,200)] (i.e. £993 per head before BLSA) + BLSA.

Example 4: A Significant change in QUALITY and SIZE of herd.

Method: Where quality of the herd changes significantly during the year due to purchases/transfers in of higher (lower) quality replacements, calculate the closing value as if there was no change in herd size or quality; add on the excess in the number of animals purchased (over number sold) valued at the purchase price (depreciated to the end of the year) and add on the difference in value due to the change in quality over replacement animals (depreciated to the end of the year).

Opening valuation: 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750

Purchases/transfers in: 25 cows in at £50,000 (i.e. £2,000 per head)

Sales/transfers out: 15 cows out at £10,500 (i.e. £700 per head).

Closing valuation (CV): 75 cows @ £1,050 per head = £78,750

plus an additional 10 higher quality cows @ £1,825* = £18,250

plus the value of the higher quality on 15 cows @ (£1,825-1,420) = £6,075

Therefore, total closing valuation is 85 cows worth £78,750 (CV assuming no change in size or quality) + £18,250 (value after half year depreciation of extra numbers and higher quality) + £6,075 (value of higher quality) = £103,075 (i.e. £1,213 per head before BLSA) + BLSA.

* (purchase price less half year depreciation of $0.5 * (2000-600)/4 = £175$)

7. APPENDIX 7 - CALCULATION OF CLOSING VALUATION OF MATURE BREEDING LIVESTOCK

DEFINITIONS

$$CV = OV_y + B_y - D_y + PV + B_p - D_p$$

where CV = closing valuation

OV_y = opening valuation of animals on the farm for the whole year

B_y = BLSA for animals on the farm for the whole year

D_y = depreciation of animals on the farm for the whole year

PV = value of purchases in the year (including transfers in)

B_p = BLSA on animals purchased

D_p = depreciation of animals purchased

$$\text{Since } OV_y = OV - OV_s \text{ and } OV_s = SV - B_s + D_s$$

where OV = opening valuation of all animals

OV_s = opening value of animals sold (transferred out, died)

SV = sales value of animals sold (transferred out, died)

B_s = BLSA on animals sold (transferred out, died)

D_s = depreciation of animals sold (transferred out, died)

$$CV = OV - SV + PV + B_t - D_t$$

where B_t = B_y + B_p + B_s = Total BLSA

D_t = D_y + D_p + D_s = Total depreciation

EXAMPLE 1 NO CHANGE IN HERD SIZE OR QUALITY

In this case, in the absence of BLSA, gains in value during year would equal losses in value.

$$\text{i.e. } PV = SV + D_t$$

$$\text{Then } CV = OV + B_t$$

This shows that total BLSA should be added to the closing value before BLSA. The algebra for the other cases is more difficult but the addition of total BLSA provides correct results for the standard cow by cow examples (see examples B, C and D on sheet 1).

CALCULATION OF BLSA FOR MATURE BREEDING LIVESTOCK

DEFINITIONS

$$B_t = R [OV_y + PV * T_p + OV_s * T_s]$$

where

B_t = total BLSA for animals in a particular livestock category

OV_y = opening valuation of animals on the farm for the whole year

PV = value of purchases in the year (including transfers in)

OV_s = opening value of animals sold (transferred out, died)

T_p = the proportion of the annual R occurring after purchases made

T_s = the proportion of the annual R occurring before animals were sold (transferred out, died)

R = the annual proportionate change in price for the particular livestock category

The R values below are for illustration purposes only, as RBR circulate new R values annually:

Dairy cows (and bulls)	1.24
Beef cows (and bulls)	0.94
LFA ewes (and rams)	0.86
Non-LFA ewes (and rams)	0.97
Sows and boars	0.95

FORMULA USED IN FBS INSTRUCTIONS

$$B_t = R[(OV - OV_s) + PV * T_p + OV_s * T_s]$$

$$B_t = R[OV + PV * T_p - OV_s * (1 - T_s)] \text{ (as quoted in Section E of FBS instructions)}$$

$$\text{Since } SV = OV_s + B_s - D_s$$

where

SV = sales value of animals sold (transferred out, died)

B_s = BLSA on animals sold (transferred out, died)

D_s = depreciation of animals sold (transferred out, died)

SV can be used instead of OV_s in the formula, if $B_s - D_s = 0$

Where there are deaths, $B_s - D_s < 0$ and an estimate of OV_s has to be used rather than SV (rows 94 to 102 of the BLSA worksheet refer).

8. APPENDIX 8 - GRAZING LIVESTOCK UNITS

	Livestock Units per head
Dairy cows	1.00
Beef Cows	0.75
Heifers in calf (rearing)	0.80
Bulls	0.65
Other cattle, 2 years and over	0.80
Other cattle, 1 to 2 years	0.65
Other cattle, under 1 year	0.34
Rams	0.08
Lowland ewes	0.11
Upland ewes	0.08
Hill ewes	0.06
Breeding ewe hoggs, 6 months to 1 year	0.06
Other sheep, over 1 year	0.08
Store lambs, under 1 year	0.04
Boars	0.35
Breeding sows	0.44
Gilts in pig	0.20
Maiden gilts	0.18
Other pigs	0.17
Cocks, hens, pullets in lay	0.0017
Pullets, one week to point of lay	0.003
Broilers	0.0017
Other table chicken	0.004
Turkeys	0.005
Ducks, geese, other poultry	0.003
Horses	0.80
Breeding female goats	0.16
Other goats	0.11

9. APPENDIX 9 - WORKED EXAMPLES OF TREATMENT OF BAD DEBT

1. Three examples of how the fieldbook is to be completed are shown below. The following scenarios involving bad debts are illustrated:

- i. A bad debt involving a transaction of £1,000 from which only £400 was recovered. Transaction and settlement in same accounting year.
- ii. A transaction of £1,000 in year 1 leading to a loss of £600 in a final settlement in year 3. Because of the lack of information, no advance provision was made for expected losses.
- iii. A bad debt involving a transaction of £1,000 in year 1 from which only £250 was eventually recovered in year 3. However, at the end of year 1, there was no reason to suspect that anything was wrong. In year 2, the company went into receivership and it was rumoured that creditors might not receive all their money back. A provision for bad debt of £400 was agreed between farmer and accounting officer. The final settlement in year 3 led to a recovery of only £250 and so a further £350 had to be written-off.

SCENARIO (i)

Year 1

		O/V	C/V	revenue	write-offs	
D	Bad debts (composite)	54	1,000	0	400	600
		O/V	C/V			
G	Debtors — all other	91	0	0		
	Suspended debtors	93	1,000	0		
	Cash at bank	22	0	400		

SCENARIO (ii)**Year 1**

			O/V	C/V	revenue		write-offs
D	Bad debts (composite)	54	0	0	0		0
			O/V	C/V			
G	Debtors — all other	91	0	1,000			
	Suspended debtors	93	0	0			
	Cash at bank	22	0	0			

Year 2

			O/V	C/V	revenue		write-offs
D	Bad debts during year	54	0	0	0		0
			O/V	C/V			
G	Debtors — all other	91	1,000	1,000			
	Suspended debtors	93	0	0			
	Cash at bank	22	0	0			

Year 3

			O/V	C/V	revenue		write-offs
D	Bad debts during year	54	1,000	0	400		600
			O/V	C/V			
G	Debtors — all other	91	0	0			
	Suspended debtors	93	1,000	0			
			O/V	C/V			
	Cash at bank	22	0	400			

SCENARIO (iii)**Year 1**

			O/V	C/V	revenue	write-offs
D	Bad debts (composite)	54	0	0	0	0
			O/V	C/V		
G	Debtors — all other	91	0	1,000		
	Suspended debtors	93	0	0		
			O/V	C/V		
	Cash at bank	22	0	0		

Year 2

			O/V	C/V	revenue	write-offs
D	Bad debts during year	54	1,000	600	0	400
			O/V	C/V		
G	Debtors — all other	91	0	0		
	Suspended debtors	93	1,000	600		
			O/V	C/V		
	Cash at bank	22	0	0		

Year 3

			O/V	C/V	revenue	write-offs
D	Bad debts during year	54	600	0	250	350
			O/V	C/V		
G	Debtors — all other	91	0	0		
	Suspended debtors	93	600	0		
			O/V	C/V		
	Cash at bank	22	0	250		

10. APPENDIX 10 - BLANK

11. APPENDIX 11 – SUBSIDIES ENTERED IN SECTION S AND ELSEWHERE IN FAS 24

	Section S Line Number	Additional Recording in FAS 24
Payment for dairy cattle made under the BSE Compensation Order	30	Section E, lines 03 and 04, column 12
Payment for beef cattle made under the BSE Compensation Order	31	Section E, lines 10 and 74, column 12
BSE Offspring Cull	52	Section E, lines 5, 13, 14, 16, 18, 20 and 21, column 12
TB Disease Compensation from Defra	86	Section E livestock revenue line, column 12
Sugar Levy Refund	111	Section D row 85 & Section G row 77
BPS Financial Discipline Refund	135	Section D row 85 & Section G row 77
SFP-historic revisions for underpaid common grazings	137	Section D row 85 & Section G row 77
Red Meat Benchmarking Scheme - Wales only	146	Section I row 254
Countryside Productivity Grant	147	10% share of machinery grant elements to Section I 276 via Section I resale, Buildings/works payments on depreciation sheets Section G and T only
LEADER Grant	148	10% share of machinery grant elements to Section I 276 via Section I resale, Buildings/works payments on depreciation sheets Section G and T only

Entitlements to Basic Payment Scheme

Moorland within SDA - normal	120	Section I, line 831
Other land within SDA – normal	121	Section I, line 832
Outside SDA - normal/standard	122	Section I, line 833

Payment to young farmers	123	Section I, line 834
Greening payments	124	Section I, line 835
Crop diversification (eligible arable area)	125	n/a
Permanent grassland	126	n/a
Environmental focus area	127	n/a
Permanent grassland of which environmentally sensitive in Natura 2000	128	n/a
Permanent grassland of which environmentally sensitive outside Natura 2000	129	n/a
Environmental focus area	127	n/a
Land lying fallow	130	n/a
Landscape features	131	n/a
Buffer strips	132	n/a
Areas of catch crops or green cover crops	133	n/a
Areas with nitrogen fixing crops	134	n/a
EFA hedge face in arable land parcel (Metres) [Internal]	138	n/a
EFA adjacent hedge face beside arable land(Metres) [Adjacent]	139	n/a
Short rotation coppice (Wales only)	140	n/a
Afforested areas used to claim Single Payment in 2008 (Wales only)	141	n/a
EFA Stone walls (single sided) – Wales only	144	n/a
EFA Stone walls (double sided) – Wales only	145	n/a
Welsh Redistributive payment on first 54 hectares of BPS	149	n/a

12. APPENDIX 12 - CODES FOR SECTION I MISCELLANEOUS AND NON-FARMING ACTIVITIES

This code list is to be used with Sections I and J to record non-farming activities. This list is hierarchical to enable the greatest level of detail to be recorded on each farm. Where ROs feel that using a detailed code would be potentially disclosive for a farm, a more aggregate code can be entered.

Code	Activity
100	Processing and retailing of farm produce
110	Processing of farm produce
111	Processing of cereal products - excluding alcohol
112	Processing of horticultural products - excluding alcohol
113	Processing of other crop products - excluding alcohol
114	Alcoholic products from farm produce
115	Cheese making
116	Processing of other livestock products
120	Retailing of farm produce
121	Pick your own (PYO)
122	Retailing of farm produce through dedicated farm shop
123	Retailing of farm produce through direct sales from farmhouse
124	Retailing of farm produce through other channels (e.g. farmers' market, side of road, delivery box scheme)
130	Gross profit on resale of purchased agricultural produce
140	Washing / grading of farm produce
141	Vegetable and fruit washing / grading / packing
142	Other washing / grading
	Management agreements, Agri-environment Payments and other Subsidies
	Agri-environment Schemes
212	Organic Aid Scheme / Organic Farming Scheme
214	Woodland Grant Scheme
215	Farm Woodland Premium Scheme
217	Entry Level Stewardship (ELS)
218	Organic Entry Level Stewardship (OELS)
219	Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)
222	Upland entry level scheme (UELS)
223	Organic upland entry level scheme (OUELS)
225	Glastir on own farm (non Glastir Common Land (Wales only)
226	Glastir Common Land (Wales only)
242	Countryside Stewardship Mid-Tier
243	Countryside Stewardship Higher-Tier
244	Countryside Stewardship Capital Grants
	Project-Based Schemes
252	Rural Enterprise Scheme
254	Vocational Training
256	Countryside Productivity
	Other Schemes
262	Moorland Scheme
264	Countryside Access Scheme
	Other grants and subsidies
271	Sight of special scientific interest SSSI
272	Disaster Aids
273	Farm Diversification Scheme
274	Permanent Crop Establishment Grants
275	Sundry Grants
276	The appropriate annual share (depending on asset life) of machinery purchase grants
277	The appropriate annual share of glasshouse purchase grants

278	Growth Programme
290	Non-government environmental grant, e.g. water company, etc.
299	Other management agreements
300	Rent and Wayleaves (nb. not including tourist accommodation)
310	Cash rent for sub-letting all or part of farmhouse
321	Imputed rent for tenant farmers living in the farmhouse
330	Cash rent for farm cottages
340	Imputed rent for farm worker or farm manager living in farm cottages
350	Other rents where farm buildings are rented for commercial or other purposes not connected with the core-farm business
360	Other payments in kind where farm buildings or land are rented for commercial or other purposes not connected with the core-farm business
370	Contract Farming Rent
380	Wayleaves
381	Mobile telephone masts and renewable energy installations
382	Solar park rental of land
383	Wind turbines rental of land
384	Mobile phone masts rental of land
385	Rent relating to anaerobic digestion (AD) plants
386	Rent from renewable energy installations
390	Rent from irrigation and heating for glasshouses
400	Recreation including activities such as shooting, fishing, nature trails, agricultural shows, sports, sheepdog trials, etc. Specific optional codes are provided for equine activities and sports.
410	Equine activities
411	Income from livery
420	Sports
421	Golf
500	Tourist Accommodation and Catering
510	Camp / caravan sites
520	Bed and breakfast
521	Bed and breakfast within farmhouse
523	Bed and breakfast within dedicated buildings
530	Holiday cottages
540	Catering e.g. farmhouse teas
600	Trading, manufacturing and rural crafts (including production and/or retailing of goods, repair or restoration of machinery and other items, retailing of non-farm produce and gross profit on resale of purchased non-agricultural products)
610	Rural crafts
620	Trading
700	Services
710	Waste disposal
720	Receipts for training work, open days etc.
730	Miscellaneous services e.g. metal detecting, roadside advertisements
750	Power generating
751	Wind turbines
752	Solar power
753	Anaerobic digesters
754	Other power generating activities
755	Renewable heat incentives (RHI)

830	Basic Payment Scheme Basic Payment
	Leasing of BPS Entitlements
831	Moorland within SDA
832	Other land within SDA
833	Outside SDA
834	Payments to young farmers
835	Greening payment
900	Other miscellaneous receipts (other receipts not included in subheadings below should be entered under aggregate code 900).
913	Non-agricultural hirework
914	Hiring out machine or labour separately
915	Hiring out for contract work with labour and machine together
920	Sundry woodland sales
930	Co-op trading bonuses
940	Capital credits
950	Miscellaneous insurance receipts
960	Unspecified compensation payments e.g. pipes through land
961	Transco pipeline payments
990	FMD distress donation
999	Total Output

Further Details of Activity Codes:

Grants and Subsidies (codes 210-244)

1. All crop and livestock disaster aid and other compensation payments for lost output should be recorded "**as due**". All other subsidies, should continue to be recorded "as received". Hill farm allowance should be recorded "as due". Landlord-type capital grants are excluded from this section as are any grants or subsidies on current costs. The latter should be included within Section F1 col. 4. The capital value of grants to occupiers given in respect of machinery, glasshouses and permanent crops entered in Section G1 lines 13 to 15, should also be written off over a ten year period here, under the appropriate activity codes. For the Apple Orchard Grubbing Up Scheme, the full value of the grant should be entered in Section G1 line 10, and should also be written off over a ten year period here.

Imputed Rents (activity codes 320, 340)

2. Where a farm worker or farm manager does not pay a cash rent for living in a farm cottage, an imputed rent equal to the statutory value prescribed by the Wages Board should be included (and also in col. 6 of Section B). Any cash or non-cash rent for land let to workers is not included here, but in Section C, lines 406 and 407.

Hirework (code 913 to 915)

3. An entry should be made for all work performed off the holding using farm resources (labour, machinery etc.). This will include work carried out on other farms or for the local authority (hedge trimming, snow clearance, collection of school children etc.) using farm labour (including the farmer and spouse), vehicles or machinery.

Sundry Woodland Sales (code 920)

4. Revenue arising from the sale of immature trees or from the sale of thinnings for Christmas trees, firewood, fence posts etc. from farm woodlands are to be recorded along with any sale of timber from the UAA. Sales of mature timber from farm woodlands should not be entered here but should appear within Section G at line 29.

Capital Credits (code 940)

6. Where a building or glasshouse has been erected, an improvement made or a permanent crop established using farm labour and equipment and incurring costs which cannot be excluded from Section F, a balancing item should be inserted under Capital Credits. (Where net costs have been entered in Section F there will be no entry here.)

13. APPENDIX 13- CALCULATION OF RENTAL VALUES

Example of rental value calculation using new methodology; Steps 1, 2 & 3.

	Example 1	Example 2
STEP 1		
Land		
House	£13,125	£22,125
Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) Entitlements		
Quotas		
STEP 2		
Buildings		
STEP 3		
Income Bearing Assets*	£5,625	£12,484
Total	£18,750	£40,379
Rental value per hectare	£179	£228

Income Bearing Assets (IBAs), are defined as what inherently stays with the farm should there be a change of occupier. Hirework is therefore excluded because the machinery used for this activity can move with the occupier.

Definition: Income bearing assets cover all activities in section I, except: BPS Payments; Environmental Payments; Hirework; Miscellaneous Income; income from Processing and Retailing of Farm Produce.

Prerequisite

14. APPENDIX 14 - READY RECKONER FOR ASSESSING HOURS WORKED ON FARM

A. Regular Hours, After Deducting 8 Public Holidays

Number of Weeks Holiday / Illness	Total Basic Hours per Week			
	10	20	30	40
1	494	988	1482	1976
2	484	968	1452	1936
3	474	948	1422	1896
4	464	928	1392	1856
5	454	908	1362	1816
6	444	888	1332	1776
7	434	868	1302	1736
8	424	848	1272	1696
9	414	828	1242	1656
10	404	808	1212	1616

B. Add Overtime Hours

Number of Weeks with Overtime	Hours of Overtime per Week						
	1	2	3	4	5	10	20
50	50	100	150	200	250	500	1000
49	49	98	147	196	245	490	980
48	48	96	144	192	240	480	960
47	47	94	141	188	235	470	940
46	46	92	138	184	230	460	920
45	45	90	135	180	225	450	900
40	40	80	120	160	200	400	800
35	35	70	105	140	175	350	700
30	30	60	90	120	150	300	600
25	25	50	75	100	125	250	500
20	20	40	60	80	100	200	400
15	15	30	45	60	75	150	300
10	10	20	30	40	50	100	200
5	5	10	15	20	25	50	100

15. APPENDIX 15 - GUIDANCE FOR HOURLY RATES FOR UNPAID LABOUR

ROs are advised to use these rates when imputing labour costs and to refer to them when scrutinising information obtained from the farmer.

2019 guidance hourly rates

Category	Details	£/hr
Farmer/spouse/unpaid partners	Rural Business Research (RBR) [Based on the ONS Annual Survey of Hours & Earnings (ASHE) rates for agriculture]	11.94
2019/20	3.2% increase	

Other sources of information

25 & over	National Minimum Wage	
	Apr 2017	7.50
	Apr 2018	7.83
	Apr 2019	8.21
21-24 years of age	National Minimum Wage	
	Apr 2017	7.05
	Apr 2018	7.38
	Apr 2019	7.70
18-20 years of age	National Minimum Wage	
	Apr 2017	5.60
	Apr 2018	5.90
	Apr 2019	6.15
Under 18 years of age	National Minimum Wage	
	Apr 2017	4.05
	Apr 2018	4.20
	Apr 2019	4.35
Apprentice	National Minimum Wage	
	Apr 2017	3.50
	Apr 2018	3.70
	Apr 2019	4.15

16. APPENDIX 16 - HIRE PURCHASE, LEASING AND RENTAL PACKAGES

There are various arrangements under which farms may obtain assets or their services, all of which are treated slightly differently in the FBS.

1. Definitions

- a) **Hire Purchase** is where a Finance Company purchases a machine from a farmer's chosen dealer and the farmer agrees to pay a hire charge at regular intervals for a set period, usually monthly or quarterly, for 3 to 5 years. Under the agreement the farmer has the option to buy the machine at the end of the set period for a nominal sum. Due to the strong expectation that s/he will exercise the option to buy, the machine is regarded as the farmer's asset and the hire charge is seen as a loan made at a specified interest rate.
- b) **Leasing** is very similar to hire purchase except at the end of the primary period of the lease of 3 to 5 years, the farmer does not legally own the asset. Instead a much reduced nominal leasing charge is introduced, which is paid annually for perhaps 20 years. This nominal charge is however often waived. Unlike hire purchase the farmer cannot sell or hire out the machine and it always remains the property of the Finance Company. (In practice however the farmer can sell the machine and realise its value if s/he becomes the appointed agent of the Finance Company. As the appointed agent s/he sells the machine and gives the money received to the Finance company, who then gives a rebate of the leasing charges to the farmer - normally equivalent to the sale price less expenses.)
- c) An **All-In Rental Package** is a type of financial lease where a farmer rents a machine from a dealer, but where the rental charges (at regular intervals for a set period) cover not only the capital cost of the machine and any interest payments, but also any maintenance costs, servicing and breakdown protection.

2. Treatment in the FBS

For rental packages, the rental charge (whether it covers access only or access combined with maintenance and repairs) should be entered at Section F line 76. It will not be practical to split down the components of the rental charge into interest, capital, repairs etc. No entry should be made in the machinery inventory (Section F line 7 and Section G line 15) or against liabilities (Section G lines 47 and 48). This is because, while the rental package may be for more than one year, the farmer is free to pull out of the agreement at any time. As a result, the asset cannot be considered a part of the wider farm assets.

Note: (a) The following instructions, should be used for items of machinery which are new to the farm only. Interest payments and capital repayments outstanding for existing items should continue to be calculated using the 'old method' until they become obsolete.

(b) A spreadsheet is included in the electronic fieldbook for the purpose of calculating interest payments and capital repayments outstanding for hire purchase and finance leasing contracts lasting anything up to five years. This simply requires the inputting of basic data regarding the particular item of machinery. However, a detailed example has been left in these instructions to illustrate the workings of the spreadsheet.

(c) There are also additional changes to the instructions which need to be taken account of, regarding the recording of arrangements fees, secondary leasing payments etc.

Calculation of interest payments and capital payments outstanding for Hire purchase and Finance leasing

According to **The Consumer Credit (Rebate on Early Settlement) Regulations 1983, SI 1562**, capital on hire purchase and finance leasing contracts is deemed to be repaid and interest charged according to the **Rule of 78**. This rule provides the basis for the method for calculating the interest payments and capital repayments outstanding to be used in the Farm Business Survey.

The following information is required:

- (i) Cost of machine (or amount borrowed if less)
- (ii) Length of hire purchase contract/primary finance leasing period – usually 3 years, but sometimes 2, 4 or 5 years
- (iii) Number of repayments – usually monthly or quarterly in arrears
- (iv) Total repayments
- (v) Month of purchase

Note: it is not necessary to know the interest rate.

The method is best illustrated using an example.

Cost of machine (C):	£10,000
Length of contract:	3 years
Number of repayment (F):	36 i.e. monthly
Total repayments (R):	£11,700 (36 x £325 per month)
Month of purchase:	June

Account year end: 31 March

Interest payments

$$\text{Total interest payments over life of contract (I)} = \mathbf{R - C} \\ = £11,700 - £10,000 = £1,700$$

Now refer to table 1a, June column, account ending in March rows. This shows the shares (**S**) of the total interest payments due in the accounting years spanning the life of the contract. These are as follows:

1 st accounting year:	288/666
2 nd accounting year:	258/666
3 rd accounting year:	114/666
4 th accounting year:	6/666

Interest payments made in each accounting year are calculated as follows:

Interest payments made (**i**) = **I x S**

1 st accounting year:	£1,700 x 288/666	=	£735
2 nd accounting year:	£1,700 x 258/666	=	£659
3 rd accounting year:	£1,700 x 114/666	=	£291
4 th accounting year:	£1,700 x 6/666	=	£15
Total			£1,700

Capital repayments outstanding at end of year

Now refer to table 1b, June column, account ending in March rows. This shows the number of repayments (**N**) made up to the end of the accounting year for the accounting years ending in the period of the contract. These are as follows:

1 st accounting year:	9
2 nd accounting year:	21
3 rd accounting year:	33

Capital repayments outstanding at the end of the accounting year are calculated as follows:

Capital payments outstanding at end of accounting year = **C – [(N x R/F) – (i)]**

End of 1st accounting year:
 $£10,000 - [(9 \times £11,700/36) - £7350] = £7,810$

End of 2nd accounting year:

$$£10,000 - [(21 \times £11,700/36) - (£735 + £659)] = £4569$$

End of 3rd accounting year:

$$£10,000 - [(33 \times £11,700/36) - (£735 + £2910)] = £960$$

The example is for payments made in arrears. Where a **deposit** is paid with a hire purchase contract, eg for 3 months, this will simply reduce the 'cost of the machine'. For finance leasing, where for instance 3 months' worth of repayments are paid in advance, the machine should be treated as if it had been leased 3 months earlier than it actually was.

For both hire purchase and finance leasing contracts, **the machine should be included in the machinery inventory** and its value or the value of the right to use it should be entered in F line 7; an entry should also be made in T1 col. 8 or 9. Under hire purchase this value will be the purchase price (deposit plus total capital repayments); under a finance lease it will be the market price. The initial value also needs to be entered under investment in "machinery" (G line 15, col. 5). As with any other assets, these values must be depreciated in subsequent years at an appropriate rate, which takes into account the expected life of the asset.

The **outstanding balance of the capital of the capital part of the charges** should be recorded under current liabilities (Section G lines 47 and 48). **Interest payments** should be entered in Section F line 66 and Section G line 71. **Arrangement fees**, together with any other bank charges should be entered in Section F line 42.

For finance leasing, **secondary leasing payments** should be entered in Section F line 76.

17. APPENDIX 17 - TYPES OF MACHINERY AND DEPRECIATION RATES.

Group A:	Machinery for Soil Preparation
reevaluation code:	9023005002
depreciation rate:	mean = 12%, range = 9% to 15%
Includes:	Ploughs, subsoiler, mole-plough, cultivators, crumblers, one-pass cultivation trains, hoes, rolls, disc harrows, press, packers, seed drills (including precision, maize and one-pass drills), grass slitters / tine-seeders, planters, fertiliser distributors and spinners, slurry tankers and injectors, manure spreaders, slurry pumps and agitators, slurry / dirty water umbilical systems, power harrows, bed-formers, stone separators.
Group B:	Machinery for Harvesting
reevaluation code:	9023005002
depreciation rate:	mean = 17%, range = 14% to 20%
Includes:	All field operated harvesting equipment e.g. mowers, tedders, rakes, tined/chain harrows, grass aerators, hay and silage making machinery (e.g. buck rakes), foragers, forage wagons, swathers, combines, chaser-bins, haulm-choppers, potato, sugar beet and other root-crop harvesters, balers, wrappers, bale-transporters, , straw choppers, straw spreaders.
Group C:	Other agricultural machinery
reevaluation code:	9023005002
depreciation rate:	mean = 15%, range = 12% to 18%
Includes:	Feed milling and processing units, mixer/feeder wagons, grain dryers, elevators, trailers (including grain, forage, flat, livestock), sprayers, irrigation equipment, milking machines, parlours and robots, pig equipment, potato graders, riddles, silage cutters, forage feed boxes, grinders, welders, workshop equipment, fuel tanks and pumps, straw treatment equipment, straw bedding choppers/spreaders, hedge cutters, pasture toppers, grass harrows, livestock cubicles, animal handling equipment (e.g. cattle crush), farrowing pens, potato boxes, portable / mobile bowsers, sprayers, drones, silage pushers, manure robots / scrapers, rotary sweepers.

Group D: Tractors, self-propelled sprayers and tele-handlers.

revaluation code: 9023005002

depreciation rate: mean = 14%, range = 11% to 17%

Includes: All tractors, including crawlers, dual wheels, fore and rear end loaders and attachments (e.g. bale grabs), weights/ballasts, loading buckets / telehandlers, bobcats, diggers / excavators, fork lift trucks, self-propelled sprayers, GPS technology.

Group E: Cars, utilities and commercial vehicles

revaluation code: 9023005001

depreciation rate: mean = 17%, range = 14% to 20%

Includes: Cars, vans, pick-ups, Landrovers, lorries, agri-buggies, utility vehicles, farm motor bikes and trikes.

Group F: **Green technology, including plant and equipment relating to the production of green energy**

revaluation code: 9023005000

depreciation rate: mean = 15%, range [if appropriate] = 10% to 20%

NOTES:

i. Formula for estimating rates of depreciation:

$$\frac{1}{n}$$

$$d = 1 - v$$

where:

d = rate of depreciation

v = residual value at sale in proportional terms

n = life of machine

ii. The revaluation indices for agriculture machinery for soil preparation (Group A) and harvesting (Group B) have now been combined. The revaluation rates for Groups A and B are now the same although the range of depreciation rates continue to be separate.

18. APPENDIX 18 – ENTERPRISE CODES FOR SECTION M (THE COLLECTION OF GROSS AND NET MARGIN DATA)

M Code Number	Enterprise Name	Equivalent C or E Code
3	Winter wheat	C1
4	Spring wheat	C2
5	Mixed wheat	C3
6	Durum wheat	C4
7	Triticale	C5
8	Winter barley	C11
9	Spring barley	C12
10	Mixed barley	C13
11	Winter oats	C21
12	Spring oats	C22
13	Mixed oats	C23
15	Rye	C31
16	Mixed cereals	C41
17	Grain maize	C52
21	Peas for combining	C62, C63
22	Other protein crops (e.g. lupins, soya)	C64, C65, C66
23	Spring Beans	C67
24	Winter Beans	C68
26	Set-aside – not cropped	C422
27	Fertility building arable crops	C329
30	Potatoes - first early (i.e. wholly or mainly harvested by 31st. July)	C71
31	Processing potatoes	C72
32	Ware potatoes	C73
33	Seed potatoes	C74
35	Sugar beet	C81
39	Leased out sugar beet quota	C85
40	Winter oilseed rape	C91, C96, C98
41	Spring oilseed rape	C95, C97, C98
42	Linseed	C94
43	Flax	C93
44	Other herbaceous oilseed crops (e.g. poppy seed, sunflower, crambe)	C90, C92
45	Medicinal plants, aromatics and spices (mustard, caraway, canary seed, saffron, borage etc)	C103
52	Hops	C101
53	Herbage seed (grass and clover)	C104
54	Other arable crops	C106
55	Short rotation coppice	C107
56	Miscanthus	C99+C89
57	Hemp	C100
58	Green Energy Crops	C31+C32+C400 (mainly rye & maize type code 11)
60	Fresh vegetables – field scale	C127, C128, C136, C137, C140, C141, C146, C148, C150, C151, C159, C160, C161, C162, C163, C170, C171, C173, C174, C176, C181, C233, C250, C251, C253, C254, C255, C256, C257, C258, C260, C261, C262, C263, C264

61	Fresh vegetables – market garden	C127, C128, C136, C137, C140, C141, C146, C148, C150, C151, C159, C160, C161, C162, C163, C170, C171, C173, C174, C176, C181, C233, C250, C251, C253, C254, C255, C256, C257, C258, C260, C261, C262, C263, C264
62	Fresh vegetables – protected	C128, C170, C171, C179, C180, C181, C235 plus any other vegetables grown under protection
64	Strawberries – field scale	C217, C218
65	Strawberries – market garden	C217, C218
66	Strawberries – protected	C217, C218
67	Christmas trees-field grown, not in containers	C265
68	Nursery stock	C112, C224, C225, C265
70	Hardy Nursery Stock – grown outdoors	C111, C113, C115, C116, C120, C121, C122, C123, C124, C125, C129
71	Hardy Nursery Stock – protected	C111, C113, C115, C116, C120, C121, C122, C123, C124, C125, C129
75	Top fruit	C190, C197, C202, C203, C204, C205, C222, C230, C238, C239, C240, C241, C242, C243, C246, C247
76	Soft fruit	C214, C219, C220, C222, C232, C244
77	Mixed top and soft fruit – only to be used where two or more crops are grown on the same land	C222
78	Mushrooms	C126
79	Vineyard selling wine grapes	C223, C245
Livestock enterprises may not correspond entirely with the codes used at Section E. Where a mixture of enterprises exist the enterprise that applies to two-thirds of the throughput of animals should be applied. The codes referred to in Section E are those entered at column 1 lines 7, 23, 38, 45, 49, 53 to 60, 66, 67, 69 and 71.		
80	Dairy cows	Line E7, column 1, codes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
81	LFA suckler cows where entry in Section E line 74	Line E23, column 1, codes 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 20, 23, 26 and 114
82	Lowland suckler cows entry in Section E line 12	Line E23, column 1, codes 10, 11, 12, 15, 18, 19, 20, 23, 26 and 115
83	Dairy followers	Line E23, column 1, code 29
84	Store cattle production from purchased or transferred-in dairy bred calves	Line E23, column 1, code 30, 31 and possibly 38 and 44
85	Fat cattle production from purchased or transferred-in dairy bred calves	Line E23, column 1, codes 33, 34, 35 and possibly 38 and 44
86	Fat cattle production from purchased or transferred-in weaned suckler bred calves or stores	Line E23, column 1, codes 41, 43 and possibly 42 and 44
87	Store cattle production from purchased or transferred-in weaned suckler bred calves or stores	Line E23, column 1, codes 40 and possibly 42 and 44
88	Veal production	Line E23, column 1, code 32
89	Other cattle enterprises	Line E23, column 1, code 38
101	Lowland breeding ewes where entry in Section E line 29	Line E38, column 1, codes 100, 101, 102
102	LFA breeding ewes	Typically less productive flocks on mountain / moorland where lambing percentage is usually (but not always) less than 100%

		Line E38, column 1, codes 103, 104, 105
103	LFA breeding ewes - other	Line E38, column 1, codes 103, 104, 105
104	Buying store lambs selling fat sheep	Line E38, column 1, code 63
105	Other sheep enterprises	Line E38, column 1, code 64
111	Breeding herds selling weaned pigs	Line E49, column 1, codes 65, 68, 71
112	Breeding herds selling fat pigs	Line E49, column 1, codes 66, 69, 71
113	Buying weaners selling fat pigs	Line E49, column 1, code 72
114	Contract rearing of pigs	Line E49, column 1, codes 2065, 2066, 2068, 2069, 2071, 2072
115	Other pig enterprises	Line E49, column 1, code 73
121	Laying hens	Lines E53 & E54, column 1, codes 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 87
122	Broilers	Lines E57 & E58, column 1, code 81 and 82
123	Turkeys	Line E59, column 1, code 83
124	Contract rearing poultry	Lines E54 to E60, column 1, codes 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2087
125	Other poultry	Line E60, column 1, codes 74, 80 and 84
130	Contract rearing other livestock	Lines E66, E67, E69, E71, column 1, codes of 4 digits
131	Other livestock enterprises	Lines E66, E67, E69, E71 column 1, codes 85, 107 to 113, and lines E84, and E85
132	Agisted livestock	Lines E07, E23, E38, E45, E49, E53 to E60, E66 to E71, column 1 codes 1 to 115
133	Horses	Lines E84, E85, E86
134	Contract heifer rearing	Line E23, column 1, codes 2029

FAS 24 Section M Col. Headings	Enterprise Name	Equivalent FAS 24 Section Code
90	Unallocated by-products and forage output	C420
91	Adjustment for disposal of previous crop	H65
92	Cultivations	H68
99	All enterprises	-
150	All Section I enterprises (including horses owned by third party)	-

19. APPENDIX 19 TREATMENT IN FBS OF LAND HIRED IN FOR LESS THAN ONE YEAR

The following instructions can be found in the relevant sections of the main body of this document. For ease of reference these have been brought into one location within this appendix.

SECTION A

16. Number of (Whole) Livestock Unit Grazing Days on Land not included in the UAA (line 36). This is required on EC available farms, and indicates the fodder availability from areas not included in the UAA, such as common shared grazings, forage rented for less than 12 months, and where stock are sent away on agistment. The total of such days should be converted into whole cow grazing days using the following coefficients:

Dairy cows, other cattle and horses 2 years and over	1.0
Cattle and horses less than 2 years	0.5
Goats	0.2
Sheep	0.15

SECTION E

13. Average Livestock Numbers (col. 18)

This data is used to calculate the Standard Output attributable to livestock on each farm and the farm's stocking density. ***The SGM values relate to the presence of animals on the holding for a whole year, and so it is the average number over the whole year that is required.*** This can be calculated by adding up the population in each month of the year and dividing by 12 (or in each quarter and dividing by 4). For animals whose production cycle is usually less than a year, some of the monthly totals may be zero, as in the example of turkey rearing below:

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Total	Average
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	400	400	1200	100

Numbers should be given to one decimal place, except for poultry where whole numbers only should be recorded.

66. Agistment

This is the temporary grazing/rearing of livestock on another farm in return for a payment per head per day (or week or month). It is most commonly done with ewe hogs by hill farms that have a shortage of winter grazing or unfavourable winter weather. It is similar to contract rearing in that the animals are on another farm being reared by another farmer who does not own them.

Treatment in the FBS:

a) On the Farm Sending the Livestock Away.
The value and numbers of the livestock are to be included in the opening and closing valuations, but ***the average numbers refer only to the actual time spent on the farm.*** Any sales or purchases whilst away are recorded as if they were still on the farm. ***The agistment charge is included in "coarse fodder" (F1 line 21 col. 2).***

b) On the Farm Providing the Agistment.

The numbers and value of the agisted livestock are excluded from the opening and closing valuations of the farm, but included in the average numbers (col. 18) in the appropriate line. An enterprise code should be included in col. 1 with 2000 added, as for contract rearing. In the case of ewe hogs, enterprise code 2064 is put in E line 38 col. 1. If there is another sheep

enterprise on the farm then use enterprise code 64 only - do not add 2000. Similarly, if a farm provides agistment for calves under 1 year, enterprise code 2038 is entered in E line 23 col. 1, unless the farm has its own cattle enterprise, in which case 38 is entered in col. 1.

Details of sales and purchases of the agisted livestock are not included on the farm providing the agistment. The payment received for providing the agistment is included in forage revenue and split between the appropriate lines in C3 col. 5.

N.B. Minor short-term agistment may be treated as follows:

a) On the Farm Sending the Livestock Away.

The annual average numbers are not reduced and the pasture equivalent (in hectares) is entered in "forage hired for less than 1 year" (C 413 col. 1) and in col. 2 of the appropriate line, e.g. 403. The costs of agistment will, as usual, appear under "coarse fodder".

b) On the Farm Providing the Agistment.

The annual average numbers are not increased and the pasture equivalent of the hectares used is put in "forage let to others" (C 407 col. 1), and fees received in C 407 col. 5. The area of the appropriate forage type in lines C 400, 402, 403, 404, 415, 416 and 417 col. 1 is reduced by the amount put in C 407 col. 1.

SECTION F

24. Coarse Fodder and Bulk Feeds (line 21)

Covers bulk feeds, such as potatoes and other vegetable residues, wet brewing grains, purchased hay, straw for feeding **and also includes payments for agistment** and expenditure on the use of common pastures and grazing land. Do not include any forage produced on the holding (except for internal transfers of straw and other by-products for which a market exists - see Section C3 para. 16), but opening and closing stock will appear in Section C3 cols. 3 and 4.

39. Land Rented in for Less than One Year (line 77)

Sums paid for bare land and forage rented for less than 1 year are to be excluded from the Gross Rent and entered in line 77

In summary

First decide if it is **Agistment** or **Hiring/Letting** of land.

Agistment = paid for per head per week

Hiring/Letting of land = paid for by the acre/hectare

If Agistment:

a. On the farm buying the agistment

1. Enter cost in F1 Coarse Fodder & Keep
2. Enter adjustment to average numbers in E1/E2
3. Enter Livestock Unit Grazing days in Section A

b. On the farm providing the agistment

1. Enter revenue in C3 Col 30 either as temp grazing of Perm grazing - rows 402/403.
2. Enter adjustment to average numbers in E1/E2
3. Enter 2000 in front of appropriate enterprise code if the same type of enterprise does not exist on the farm. If it does retain the original code.

If Hiring/Letting of land:

a. On the farm hiring the land

1. Enter cost in F2 'Land rented in for Less than One Year'
2. Include average numbers on the farm that owns the stock
3. Enter area in C3 col. 22 line 402 or 403 grazing AND row 413 Forage Hired for Less than 1 Year
4. Livestock Unit Grazing days in Section A

b. On the farm letting the land

1. Enter the revenue in C3 line 407 col 30
2. Enter the area in C3 line 407 col 21

20. **APPENDIX 20: TREATMENT OF JOINT VENTURE FARMING WITHIN THE FBS**

Defining Joint Venture Farming (JVF)

Types of Agreement

A number of agreement types have been identified from the study⁴ and are summarised in Table 1. The descriptions relate to the common features of agreements used for classification, as it is clear from the research that there are detailed variations as JV partners vary agreements to suit their particular needs. For this reason, arrangement adopted on farms can be less formal or rigid than those described. A full classification is set out in section 1.2.

Table 1: Types of Joint Venture Farming

Joint Venture	Brief Description
Contract Farming	An operator (contractor) carries operations out on the land supplier's behalf for a fixed rate (£/ha) with a division of any surplus after costs specified in the agreement. <i>(Note: this is not the same as use of a contractor for particular farming operations, which is very common but not part of this study)</i>
Contract Rearing	The operator/contractor (who can be an owner occupier or tenant) rears animals for a livestock owner for a fixed fee per animal for a set time period or to an agreed specification (e.g. weight or heifer in calf).
Share Farming	Farming operations are jointly managed by the land supplier and operator with some inputs and all outputs shared on a percentage basis with land and buildings given a value.
Labour & Machinery Sharing	Two or more persons pool all or part of their labour and machinery and treat the arrangement as a cost centre or separate business which provides a labour and machinery service to each co-operating farming business for a fee.
Machinery Sharing	Two or more persons share in the ownership in all or part of their machinery treating the arrangement as a cost centre or separate business which provides a machinery provision service to each co-operating farming business for a fee.
Labour Sharing	Two or more persons pooling all or part of their labour treating the arrangement as a cost centre or separate business providing a labour provision service to each co-operating farming business for a fee.
Other Agreements	This category accommodates JVF agreements, which do not fit any of the six distinct categories, described above.

Threshold for Recording Joint Venture Farming in the FBS

The threshold for recording JVF in the FBS is that it must be regular, planned and central to the activities on the farm.

Examples of eligible activity include:

- Sharing equity in a sugar beet harvester
- One party owns and operates a forage harvester and the other carts grass

⁴ In 2006 Defra commissioned a study into Joint Venture Farming to develop a detailed understanding of the variety and types of JVF agreements and their impact on the agricultural sector and the wider rural economy. One of the aims of the study was to provide a means of identifying the different arrangements for JVF, preparing a practical means of classification that could be used by the Farm Business Survey (FBS) and future research projects. These instructions are based on chapter 6 of the final report which can be read in its entirety at

<http://statistics.defra.gov.uk/esg/reports/jvf/JVF%20Research%20Project%20-%20Final%20Report.pdf>

- Neighbours work together to dip sheep
- Contract rearing of any livestock (either party)

Scale is unimportant. For example, providing one day of labour per year allowing a neighbour to carry out silage harvest should be recorded because it is a regular arrangement and important to the effective running of the business.

Examples of activity that would not be recorded include:

- Providing a machine in the event of a breakdown
- Carrying out 'fire brigade' contracting in a wet season
- Trivial loans of trailers and similar equipment
- Helping a neighbour by supplying labour in an unplanned way

The above examples are irregular and unplanned and thus would not be recorded as JVF activity.

Classification of Joint Venture Farming

The types of joint venture farming identified can be classified with the key in Table 2 below. Where a farming agreement meets the definition of JVF, these questions will allow it to be classified into the seven categories defined and described in this report.

The definition of JVF is "the bringing together of land, capital and skilled management in an agreement between two or more parties, each running their own business, rather than forming a new partnership". The description and examples in 1.2 above set the parameters for inclusion as JVF activity for the FBS. Please note that the questions relate solely to the JVF Agreement and not to the individual business(s) of the parties.

Table 2: Classification Key

	Questions		Section A Record
1.	Do the land supplier and the operator split some or all input costs and the gross output from production in proportions agreed in advance?	Yes (go to 2) No (go to 3)	
2.	The agreement is a Share Farming Agreement		A49, A50
3.	Is there an agreement surplus to divide? (a surplus after paying all costs set out in the agreement)	Yes (go to 11) No (go to 4)	
4.	Are livestock involved?	Yes (go to 5) No (go to 9)	
5.	Is this party the owner of the livestock?	Yes (go to 7) No (go to 6)	
6.	The agreement is contract rearing and this party is the rearer and land supplier		A71
7.	Is this party the supplier of the land?	Yes (go to 13). No (go to 8)	
8.	The agreement is for contract rearing and this party is the owner of the livestock.		A71
9.	Does the agreement involve sharing labour and/or machinery or use a labour/machinery company/business?	Yes (go to 10) No (go to 11)	

10	Labour and/or Machinery Agreement (Please note the land supplier should pay for all Variable Costs, and provide all resources other than labour and/or machinery. Payment for the service may be by a fixed fee per hectare or a fee for each field operation)		A72
11	Does one party provide the land?	Yes (go to 12) No (go to 1) ⁵	
12	Does one party provide all the labour and machinery	Yes (go to 13) No (go to 14)	
13	The agreement is a Contract Farming Agreement		A49, A50
14	Advice or change to classification methodology required		Refer to FBS Technical Group

The agreement type should be confirmed by reading the descriptions supplied in section 1.2 below.
Contract Farming

An operator carries operations out on the land supplier's behalf for a fixed rate for operations and with a division of any surplus after costs specified in the agreement.

Table 3: Contract Farming Classification

	Land Supplier (can be owner occupier or tenant)	Contractor (Operator)
Resources		
Land	X	
Buildings	X	Less typical
Fixed Equipment	X	Less typical
Quotas	X	
Livestock	X	
Labour		X
Machinery		X
Management	X	X
Banking	X	
Outputs		
Crop Sales	X	
Livestock Sales	X	
Basic Payment	X	
Contracting		
Variable Costs		
Arable costs	X	
Livestock costs	X	
Overheads		
Grain drying	X	Less typical
Labour		

⁵ The questions from the classification key should be repeated to the farmer once then excluded from the survey.

Machinery		X
General Overheads	X	
Share of agreement surplus		
Share	X	X

FBS Treatment

Within Contract Farming Agreements, the day to day decision maker is eligible for participation in the FBS. Eligibility for participation and treatment in the FBS are determined as follows:

- The day to day decision maker for the farm should be identified in practice.
- If the day to day decision maker is the operator (contractor) then the FBS instructions for treatment of contract farming in Section A and Section C should be followed, and a rental equivalent entered in Section F2 at F74.
- If the day to day decision maker is the land supplier and the operator (contractor) is carrying out a service then it is valid to include them in the FBS as a farmer. Normal treatment of a farm within the FBS then applies. The area of land within Contract Farming Agreements is shown in Section A, cells A49 and A50.

Contract Rearing

A contractor (owner occupier or tenant) rears livestock for the owner of the animals. Management of the animals remains the responsibility of the contractor from delivery until collection, although the livestock owner may provide some variable inputs and labour when required. Payment is normally a fixed fee per animal over the period they are with the contractor. Agreements of this type are common and treated within the FBS as contract rearing or agistment.

Table 4: Contract Rearing Classification

	Contract Rearer	Livestock Owner
Resources		
Land	X	
Buildings	X	
Fixed Equipment	X	
Quotas	X	
Livestock		X
Labour	X	Less typical
Machinery	X	
Management	X	
Banking	X	
Outputs		
Crop Sales		
Livestock Sales		X
Basic Payment	X	
Contracting		
Variable Costs		
Arable costs		
Livestock costs	X	X
Overheads		
Grain drying		
Labour	X	
Machinery	X	

General Overheads	X	
Share of agreement surplus		
Share		

FBS Treatment

Coding of livestock enterprises in A71 identifies enterprises with:

- 1 No livestock
- 2 All livestock owned by the farmer
- 4 Some animals are sent away from the farm and reared elsewhere
- 8 Some or all animals are owned by others but reared on the farm

Share Farming

Farming operations are jointly managed with some inputs and all outputs split on a percentage basis with land and buildings given a value in drawing up the agreement.

Table 5: Share Farming Classification

	Land Supplier	Operator
Resources		
Land	X	
Buildings	X	
Fixed Equipment	X	
Quotas	X	
Livestock	X	X
Labour		X
Machinery		X
Management	X	X
Banking		
Outputs		
Crop Sales	X	X
Livestock Sales	X	X
Basic Payment	X	X
Contracting		
Variable Costs		
Arable costs	X	X
Livestock costs	X	X
Overheads		
Grain drying	X	X
Labour		X
Machinery		X
General Overheads	X	X
Share of agreement surplus		
Share		

FBS Treatment

It is necessary to establish whether the activity is share farming.

- a) The day to day decision maker for the farm should be identified (in practice).
- b) If the day to day decision maker is the operator then the current FBS treatment of contract farming should be followed for the share farming agreement i.e. the operator should be considered the farmer and the land farmed included in his/her UAA. The net payment from the operator to the land supplier should be recorded as a rental equivalent at Section F2, row74. All crop output should be recorded in Section C and all seed, fertiliser, pesticide and other crop variable costs should be recorded in Section F. The land supplier should be excluded from the survey.

- c) If the day to day decision making is by both the landowner and operator, then a share farming operation is in place and the area of land is recorded in Section A, A51 and A52 and the record is completed as described in the instructions for Section Section C.

Machinery and Labour Agreements

Labour and Machinery sharing can be described as two or more persons pooling all or part of their labour and machinery. The arrangement may be treated as a cost centre or as a separate business contracting out the operations to each co-operating farm business. The ownership of the labour and machinery may be within another business or part of one of the farm businesses.

Table 6: Machinery and Labour Agreement Classification

	Land Supplier (Farmer, can be owner occupier or tenant)	Labour and Machinery Unit (Contractor)
Resources		
Land	X	
Buildings	X	
Fixed Equipment	X	
Quotas	X	
Livestock	X	
Labour		X
Machinery		X
Management	X	X
Banking	X	X
Outputs		
Crop Sales	X	
Livestock Sales	X	
Basic Payment	X	
Contracting		X
Variable Costs		
Arable costs	X	
Livestock costs	X	
Overheads		
Grain drying	X	
Labour		X
Machinery		X
General Overheads	X	X
Share of agreement surplus		
Share		

FBS Treatment

The presence of a labour and machinery sharing arrangement, regardless of type or scale, should be recorded in Section A at A72 using the following classification:

- 1 No labour or machinery sharing
- 2 Labour and Machinery sharing
- 4 Machinery sharing
- 8 Labour sharing
- 16 Any kind of separate entity labour or machinery sharing

FBS Treatment of Separate entity Labour and Machinery Sharing Ventures

When a separate entity, labour and machinery ventures may be profit or non profit making. However the charges made to each member of the agreement will include capital and running costs. The treatment below does not require the accounts for the labour and machinery agreement to be provided, which may create recruitment problems.

The recommended methodology is:

- g) The charges made by the labour and machinery agreement and paid by the farmer should be included in section F under contract work for the farm. Please note these may need a manual adjustment (see (e) below).
- h) If the farmer works within the labour and machinery agreement the time spent should be split between manual and managerial (e.g. directors meetings). The time spent working on his own farm should be recorded in section B.
- i) If the farmer receives a wage or reduction in charges by working in the labour and machinery venture these costs should be taken account in the farm return as set out in (d) and (e) below.
- j) If the farmer receives a wage, the proportion of the wage earned because of time worked on his own farm should be split from that earned working on other farms. The wage from his own farm should be included in section B. The remaining wage should be entered in section I.
- k) If the farmer receives a deduction in the charges (recorded in section F) because of work done for the labour and machinery arrangement the following methodology should be used.
- i. The reduction in charges owed because of work carried out on own farm should be included in section B.
 - ii. The reduction in charges owed because of work carried out on other farms should be added back to the contract charge in section F and entered into section I as income.
- l) The investment made by the farmer in the labour and machinery agreement should be recorded in section G.
- m) Any net profit arising from the labour and machinery venture should be recorded as hirework in Section I, or any net cost should be recorded as contract in Section F1.

Machinery Sharing

Machinery sharing can be described as two or more persons pooling either use or ownership in all or part of their machinery. The sharing agreement may be treated as a separate entity or as part of the co-operating farm businesses. The machinery sharing is normally treated as a cost centre contracting out the machine or allocating repair and other associated costs to each business.

Table 7: Machinery Sharing Classification

	Land Supplier (Farmer – can be owner occupier or tenant)	Machinery Unit
Resources		
Land	X	
Buildings	X	
Fixed Equipment	X	
Quotas	X	
Livestock	X	
Labour	X	
Machinery	X	X
Management	X	
Banking	X	
Outputs		
Crop Sales	X	
Livestock Sales	X	
Basic Payment	X	

Contracting	X	X
Variable Costs		
Arable costs	X	
Livestock costs	X	
Overheads		
Grain drying	X	
Labour	X	
Machinery	X	X
General Overheads	X	
Share of agreement surplus		
Share		

FBS Treatment

Where farms share machinery this should be recorded as an activity in section A at A72 to enable identification using the following scale:

- 1 No labour or machinery sharing
- 2 Labour and Machinery sharing
- 4 Machinery sharing
- 8 Labour sharing
- 16 Any kind of separate entity labour or machinery sharing

The treatment of machinery sharing will depend on the agreement type the parties have;
Individual Ownership (Where farms have individual ownership of all or some machines but share their use)

- a) The FBS mutual assistance methodology in Section B (part 4 of the instructions) should be followed.

Shared Ownership (or owned by a separate business entity)

- a) The proportion of ownership should be recorded in section G, including any ownership costs.
- b) Costs for the machine should be recorded within the field book as they are charged back to each member of the machinery sharing agreement in section F.

Labour Sharing

Labour sharing can be described as two or more persons pooling all or part of their labour. The agreement may be treated as a separate entity or as part of their current businesses. The labour sharing is treated as a cost centre contracting out labour to each business.

Table 8: Labour Sharing Classification

	Land Supplier (Farmer – can be owner occupier or tenant)	Labour Provider
Resources		
Land	X	
Buildings	X	
Fixed Equipment	X	
Quotas	X	
Livestock	X	
Labour	X	X
Machinery	X	
Management	X	X
Banking	X	
Outputs		
Crop Sales	X	

Livestock Sales	X	
Basic Payment	X	
Contracting	X	X
Variable Costs		
Arable costs	X	
Livestock costs	X	
Overheads		
Grain drying	X	
Labour	X	X
Machinery	X	
General Overheads	X	
Share of agreement surplus		
Share		

FBS Treatment

Where there is a formal or informal agreement in place to share labour each business should record the cost and time worked within section B under the normal FBS treatment. The activity should be recorded within section A at A72 to enable farm identification using the following scale:

- 1 No labour or machinery sharing
- 2 Labour and Machinery sharing
- 4 Machinery sharing
- 8 Labour sharing
- 16 Any kind of separate entity labour or machinery sharing

Where farms are swapping labour for machinery the FBS treatment of mutual assistance between holding should be followed.

Other Agreements

The previous six categories will describe most or all JVF situations. Caution should be taken to identify agreements in name only to enable payment of a 'rental equivalent' or ensure the land supplier is still able to claim the basic payment or maintain control of the land.

FBS Treatment

Refer to the FBS Technical Group.

21. APPENDIX 21 — FAS24 DATA TRANSMISSION

1. FAS24 Data Format

- 1.1 All data sent by e-mail should be in comma separated value (.csv) format which should be automatically generated from the e-mail module used by Centres.

2. FAS24 Data Structure

- 2.1 All FAS data should be prefaced with a Section AA record which details those sections (Core or modular) to be imported. Section AA records are automatically generated from the Integrated System used by Centres.
- 2.2 The data layout is designed to reflect the structure of the Microsoft Access FBS database held by FBS Unit and consists of 8 columns of data as described below:

Column 1 – Farm Id Number

This column should only contain the farm identification number.

Column 2 – Section

This column should contain the relevant section code as it appears on the FAS 24. Please note:

- As Section A contains the indicative data, it should appear as the first entry after Section AA for each farm record submitted ; and,
- If a section is subdivided (e.g.) C1, C2 and C3, only the section letter should be entered in this column.

Column 3 – Row

This column should contain the row number as it appears on the FAS 24.

Column 4 – Column

This column should contain the column number as it appears on the FAS 24.

Column 5 – Type Code

This column should contain the type code as it appears on the FAS 24. For sections that do not require a type code this column should be zero filled or left blank.

Column 6 – MDC

This column should contain the missing data code as it appears on the FAS 24. For sections that do not require a missing data code this column should be left blank.

Column 7 – Load

FBS Unit uses this column to determine the load number onto the live FBS database. For transmission purposes this column should be left blank for all sections.

Column 8 – Field Value

This column should contain the field value as referenced by columns 1 to 6. Decimal points and negative values should be used as appropriate.

(e.g.) A row of csv format data such as; 1372,B,1,2,0,,1952, would be read into the FBS database as shown in the following table.

Farm Number (Col 1)	Section (Col 2)	Row (Col 3)	Column (Col 4)	Crop Type (Col 5)	MDC (Col 6)	Load Number (Col 7)	Field Value (Col 8)

<i>Unique farm identifier</i>	<i>Section of FAS 24</i>	<i>Row of FAS 24</i>	<i>Column of FAS 24</i>	<i>Relevant for Sections C1-C3</i>		<i>Number of load onto database</i>	<i>Value entered in FAS 24</i>
(e.g.) 1372	B	1	2	0	0		1952

3. Section Y Records

- 3.1 Section Y records should be submitted in the same format as the other FAS24 Sections (see paragraphs 2.2). They can be submitted as part of an account or submitted separately.

4. Modules

- 4.1 Module data should be submitted in the same format as the core FAS 24 record (see paragraph 2.2). Data for modules can be submitted prior to the core record but Centres should note that a farm will not be deemed fully clean for quota purposes until a core record has been submitted and validated. Section AA should be used to indicate which modules should be imported.

5. Acceptance Codes

- 5.1 Acceptance codes for type 2 and type 3 checks can be submitted as part of a farm record or as separate entries as long as they are in the following format:

- Farm Number is entered in column 1;
- "X" is entered in column 2;
- Validation check number to be accepted in column 3;
- Columns 4 to 7 should be left blank; and,
- If check is a type 2 then a brief reason for accepting the check should be entered in column 8.

(e.g.) accepting type 2 check ZZ999 for farm 1372 in csv format should look like '1372,X,ZZ999,,,,,Dummy check' and would be read onto the FBS database as:

Farm Number (Col 1)	Section (Col 2)	Row (Col 3)	Column (Col 4)	Crop Type (Col 5)	MDC (Col 6)	Load Number (Col 7)	Field Value (Col 8)
(e.g.) 1372	X	ZZ999	0	0	0		Dummy Check

- 5.2 Centres should be aware that clearing a validation check on first submission ensures that this check is not carried out on the related data. If incorrect, or the data is changed, the data will never be checked again. There have been cases where checks have been cleared on submission and where the data would not have failed the validation check, care should be taken to ensure that clearance action is justified.

**22. APPENDIX 22 – EXAMPLES OF MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY
(INCLUDING TASKS TYPICALLY CARRIED OUT BY SENIOR MEMBERS OF FARM STAFF)**

Further examples of management activity, for use in Section B of the FAS24 might include:

- planning enterprise budgets
- explaining farm or enterprise performance relative to budget
- negotiating sales of the farm's products
- negotiating purchases of inputs
- sourcing semen, bulls, rams, shearlings, gilts
- commissioning the maintenance and repair of farm buildings
- appraisal, mentoring and arranging training for staff
- understanding the implications of the weather, and making contingency plans
- negotiating borrowing or planning investments
- managing safety
- monitoring animal health and welfare
- developing environmental or agri-environment activity, preparing scheme applications

Further examples of administrative activity that are not classed as management include:

- completing Basic Payment returns
- day to day contact with professional advisors
- completing agri environment scheme applications

23. APPENDIX 23: CENTRE FOR ECOLOGY AND HYDROLOGY (CEH) CODES

1. Undulating country, varied agriculture, mainly grassland
2. Open, gentle slopes, often lowland, varied agriculture
3. Flat arable land, mainly cereals, little native vegetation
4. Flat, intensive agriculture, otherwise mainly built-up
5. Lowland, somewhat enclosed land, varied agriculture and vegetation
6. Gently rolling enclosed country, mainly fertile pastures
7. Coastal with variable morphology and vegetation
8. Coastal, often estuarine, mainly pasture, otherwise built-up
9. Fairly flat, open intensive agriculture, often built-up
10. Flat plains with intensive farming, often arable/grass mixtures
11. Rich alluvial plains, mainly open with arable or pasture
12. Very fertile coastal plains with very productive crop
13. Somewhat variable land forms, mainly flat heterogeneous land use
14. Level coastal plains with arable, otherwise often urbanised
15. Valley bottoms with mixed agriculture, predominantly pastoral
16. Undulating lowlands, variable agriculture and native vegetation
17. Rounded intermediate slopes, mainly improvable permanent pasture
18. Rounded hills, some steep slopes, varied moorlands
19. Smooth hills, mainly heather moors, often afforested
20. Mid-valley slopes, wide range of vegetation types
21. Upper valley slopes, mainly covered with bogs
22. Margins of high mountains, moorlands, often afforested
23. High mountain summits, with well-drained moorlands
24. Upper, steep, mountain slopes, usually bog-covered
25. Lowlands with variable land use, mainly arable
26. Fertile lowlands with intensive agriculture
27. Fertile lowland margins with mixed agriculture
28. Varied lowland margins with heterogeneous land use
29. Sheltered coasts with varied land use, often crofting
30. Open coasts with low hills dominated by bogs
31. Bleak undulating surfaces mainly covered with bogs
32. Cold exposed coasts with variable land use and crofting

24. **Appendix 24: Recording of Equine Activities within the FAS24**

Apart from keeping horses for breeding, equine activities such as livery and riding schools are not regarded as agricultural according to the Standard Industrial Classification and as such are recorded as semi-integrated activities in Section I. Their presence needs to be recorded for Standard Output purposes and an average number is required in Section E. If they have access to grazing or are provided with fodder grown on the farm, then the effective average number of horses in this category must be recorded in the livestock and forage calculations page.

For the purposes of the FBS, the only type of equine activity to be recorded under livery, and also carrying average numbers in Section E, is that where horses owned by a third party are provided with grazing and or stabling as a service provided by the farmer. This will include full, part and DIY livery activity. It does not include riding schools and competition yards which should be recorded under code 410. It also does not include livery businesses run by a third party that simply rent the land and buildings from the farmer for the purposes of running a livery.

SECTION I

Livery: Gross income received entered in Row 411. This includes the following:-

- Money received for provision of stabling
- Money received for grazing
- Money received for forage sales to clients
- Money received for consumable goods re-sold to clients e.g. bedding, feed
- Money received for services re-charged to clients e.g. vet, farrier

Note: All income relating to horses should be entered in Section I, including those cases where it is just grazing & fodder income, rather than Section C3.

SECTION F1

Expenditure is entered in the appropriate rows, column 9, in Section F and then entered in the Section I working table to show how much relates to either the livery activity (code 411) or other equine activity (code 410). For example if wood shavings are purchased for bedding, these costs will initially be shown as other livestock costs in column 2 of Section F1. Those costs relating to equine/livery activities, are first identified and entered in column 9 of Section F1. This total figure (which may include costs for other Section I activities) is then shown in the Section I (RO input) sheet and are then recorded against the appropriate enterprise (row 410 or 411) for the shavings identified above.

SECTION E2

The number of horses on the farm is entered in one of three lines in Section E2 as follows:-

- Horses for breeding (farmer owned) Line 84 – entry in all columns as required, numbers and values.
- Other Horses (farmer owned) Line 85 – entry in column 18 only
- Horses owned by third party Line 86 – entry in column 18 only

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The number of horses effectively consuming forage on the farm needs to be recorded independently of the average numbers in E2; some of these horses may not have access to grazing and forage provided by the farm.

Enter the effective number of horses with access to forage and grazing in cell N30 on the livestock and forage page. Complete the allocation of forage costs in the C2 working table. The share due to the horses is then automatically transferred to the livery line in Section I but a manual adjustment can be made to apportion them to code 410 where appropriate. .

25. Appendix 25: Allocation of Fixed Costs to Section I activities

1) Machinery Costs

The apportionment of machinery general farming costs to other Section I activities is set out below.

Total of the following Machinery Costs for the Farm Business (Contract, Machinery Rental, Machinery equipment valuation etc, repairs and small tools, vehicle fuels and oils, car mileage expenses) (Z_m). Take the cost already allocated to the Section I activity (Y_m). $Z_m - Y_m = V_m =$ Total machinery cost net of direct costs allocated in Section I (e.g. "Machinery Rental to Agriculture and overheads for Section I". Assume that the overhead element of this is 11.3% (based upon report by Abigail Tiffin). Calculate the overhead machinery cost (e.g. Machinery Rental) to the business, after direct allocation to Section I, as $0.113 * V_m = X_m$.

Obtain total output for Agriculture (OutputAg), Entry Level Scheme (OutputELS), Other agri-environmental schemes (OutputOAE), BPS (OutputBPS), Rental Income (OutputRental), Other section I Output (excluding those listed above) (OutputOtherSection I) and calculate the following

$$\text{OutputAg} = \mathbf{G}$$

$$\text{OutputELS} * 0.1 = \mathbf{H}$$

$$\text{OutputOAE} * 0.25 = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\text{OutputBPS} * 0.1 = \mathbf{K}$$

$$\text{OutputRental} * 0.1 = \mathbf{L}$$

$$\text{OutputOtherSection I} = \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{J}$$

Overhead machinery cost (X_m) is then allocated to each activity by

$$\text{Overhead machinery cost to Agriculture} = X_m * \frac{G}{J}$$

$$\text{Overhead machinery cost to ELS} = X_m * \frac{H}{J}$$

$$\text{Overhead machinery cost to OAE} = X_m * \frac{I}{J}$$

$$\text{Overhead machinery cost to BPS} = X_m * \frac{K}{J}$$

$$\text{Overhead machinery cost to Rental} = X_m * \frac{L}{J}$$

$$\text{Overhead machinery cost to Other Section I activities} = X_m * \frac{M}{J}$$

2) General Farming Costs

The apportionment of overhead general farming costs to other Section I activities will be as set as below.

Total of each general farming costs (GFC) for the Farm Business (e.g. Electricity) (Z_g). Take the Electricity already allocated to the Section I activity (Y_g). $Z_g - Y_g = X_g =$ Agriculture and Overhead GFC (e.g. "Electricity to Agriculture and overheads for Section I").

Obtain total output for Agriculture (OutputAg), Entry Level Scheme (OutputELS), Other agri-environmental schemes (OutputOAE), BPS (OutputBPS), Rental Income (OutputRental), Other section I Output (excluding those listed above) (OutputOtherSection I) and calculate the following

$$\text{OutputAg} = \mathbf{G}$$

$$\text{OutputELS} * 0.1 = \mathbf{H}$$

$$\text{OutputOAE} * 0.25 = \mathbf{I}$$

$$\text{OutputBPS} * 0.1 = \mathbf{K}$$

$$\text{OutputRental} * 0.1 = \mathbf{L}$$

$$\text{OutputOtherSection I} = \mathbf{M}$$

$$\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{K} + \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{M} = \mathbf{J}$$

Agriculture and Overhead GFC (X_g) is then allocated to each activity by

$$\text{Agriculture and Overhead GFC to Agriculture} = X_g * \frac{G}{J}$$

$$\text{Agriculture and Overhead GFC to ELS} = X_g * \frac{H}{J}$$

$$\text{Agriculture and Overhead GFC to OAE} = X_g * \frac{I}{J}$$

$$\text{Agriculture and Overhead GFC to BPS} = X_g * \frac{K}{J}$$

$$\text{Agriculture and Overhead GFC to Rental} = X_g * \frac{L}{J}$$

$$\text{Agriculture and Overhead GFC to Other Section I activities} = X_g * \frac{M}{J}$$

3) Land and Property Costs

The proposed apportionment of rent / land and property costs for Agriculture, AE and BPS is set out below:

- i) Total rent / land and property costs for the Farm Business (**A**)

- ii) Total rent / land and property costs from diversified “market” activities plus any directly allocated costs to AE (**B**)
- iii) Net rent / land property costs for Agriculture, AE and BPS to be apportioned given by A-B = (**C**)
- iv) Sum GM for Agriculture, AE and BPS (**D**)
- v) Calculate percentage of **D** attributed to Agriculture (**Ag%**), AE (**AE%**), and BPS (**BPS%**)
- vi) Net rent / land and property cost apportioned to each activity is then given by

Rent / land and property cost to Agriculture = **Ag%** * **C**

Rent / land and property cost to AE = **AE%** * **C**

Rent / land and property cost to BPS = **BPS%** * **C**

Where the GM for Agriculture is negative, a zero cut off would be imposed to reflect a similar situation to whereby no agriculture activity took place (and hence no positive agricultural GM was generated). Where property costs have been directly allocated to AE, the total rent / land and property costs for AE will be the sum of the costs directly allocated, plus the apportionment (**AE%** * **C**) above.

4) Occupiers Expenses

Occupiers expenses (buildings works & net depreciation, insurance of farm buildings, landlord type repairs) will be applied and apportioned using the same methodology as land and property costs (tenants repairs & rates) noted above in paragraph 3.

26. Appendix 26: Arable fertility crops & Companion cropping

A companion crop is different to an arable fertility crop although both can be grown to help reduce fertiliser requirements. Arable fertility crops are a separate crop grown before the main crop, whereas a companion crop is grown with the main crop.

Arable Fertility Crops

What are they?

- Green manures or arable fertility crops are usually grown in the autumn following harvest and incorporated the following spring – spring crops are then planted. They are grown to suppress weeds, improve soil structure, prevent leaching and add organic matter into the soil.

What are the species?

- Some of the species grown include mustard, rye, phacelia, clover, vetch, Lucerne, trefoil, buckwheat and chicory

What are the advantages/why are they grown?

- The advantage of arable fertility crops are that they add organic matter to the soil increasing the nutrients available and conditioning the soil. They improve soil structure and reduce erosion. They suppress weeds by disrupting their growing cycles and competing against the weeds for nutrients
- They have the ability to utilise any nitrogen left over from crop grown previously taking it in and conserving for the next crop preventing leaching.

What happens to them?

- To remove them before spring crops are planted glyphosate is used pre planting or the cover crops are simply cultivated into the soil

How should they be recorded?

- If the is grown before an arable crop, the fertility crop should be recorded in Section C2, and the area in column 22 (multiple cropping), using the code 329
- If the crop is grazed, it should be recorded in Section C3 and the area in column 22 (multiple cropping), using an appropriate forage code

What should be done with the cost?

- The costs associated with these crops is included as a separate crop in C2 – code 329 or if it is grazed on the forage line
- For a March Year ending account the inputs of the fertility crop **should not** be recorded in the closing valuation as the area grown is recorded in the current FBS year, not the following year

Companion Crops

What are they?

- Companion cropping is the practice of growing two or more species in the same field at the same time with the aim being for one crop to thrive due to the beneficial effects of the others. The companion crops harvest sunlight and convert it to organic matter which is then released as nitrogen when the crops die off in the winter.
- The companion crops are drilled at the same time as the main crop but do not outcompete it.

What are the species?

- The species used are usually a mix of vetches, buckwheat, berseem clover and Lucerne.

How do they differ from green manure/arable fertility crops?

- Where arable fertility/cover crops/green manure crops are grown after crops are harvested and before new crops are drilled companion crops are drilled at the same time as the main crop.

What are the advantages/why are they grown?

- Companion crops improve soil health and structure especially on no-till farms as they condition and aerate the soil – their use has been compared to subsoiling.
- They have been shown to increase root mass in osr by 20% by breaking up the soil around the plants allowing the roots to take hold better as they already have pathways to follow into the soil.
- They improve fertility with claims that they reduce nitrogen inputs by 10%.
- Because of the affect they have supressing weeds it is claimed there has been no need for pre emergence herbicide usage.
- Can reduce crop damage by cabbage stem flea beetle – the thought is the insects find it more difficult to identify the osr amongst the companion crops, so they have a use in coping with the neonicotinoid seed treatment bans.
- In Agrovista trails a consistent yield benefit of 0.3t/ha up to 0.5t/ha has been seen

What are they grown with?

- Mostly seen with OSR in this country at the moment but in trials in other countries companion crops have been grown with winter cereals and maize.
- Wind cover crops for Sugar Beet.

What happens to them?

- To get rid of the companion crops Astrokerb is used in late winter to destroy them although some species are usually killed off before then by frost. To avoid the use of an extra herbicide application some use just varieties that are not cold tolerant and are therefore guaranteed to be killed off in the winter.

What should be done with the cost of the inputs?

- For the purposes of the FBS, only the main crop should be recorded in Section C. However, where Gross Margins are also calculated, the cost of seed and any spray associated with the companion crop should be included with the cost of the main crop. It should remain as additional seed and spray costs, and not lumped together as 'other crop costs'.

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30. Appendix 31: Rural development programme training providers lists

When referring to the list of providers below an 'x' indicates it is known these providers do provide advice/knowledge under the two distinct categories of Technical Advice (including Animal Health and Welfare) and Business Management. Where an 'x' is not present it only means they have not been confirmed as providers under the categories mentioned. If the farmer or RO is confident that training has been undertaken that has been partially or wholly funded by the Rural Development Programme, **then it should still be recorded**. In such cases it doesn't matter if either the trainer is not indicated as providing training in that area (no 'x' in appropriate column) or is not on the provided list.

Yorkshire and Humber Training Providers

Yorkshire and Humber Training Providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
ADAS Holdings Ltd	x	
Agric-Advice		
Bishopton Veterinary Group	x	
BPEX		x
British Wool Marketing Board, The	x	
Brown & Co		x
Churches Regional Commission	x	x (low level uplands)
Churches Regional Commission North Yorkshire Project	x	x (low level uplands)
Churches Regional Commission South Pennines Project	x	x (low level uplands)
Doug Stewart Consultants		x
Dovecote Park		x
EBLEX	x	x
English Food and Farming Partnership (EFFP)	x	
Ibbotsons	x	
Lantra		
Linda Bower	x (BASIS)	
Lower Dales Training	x	
McCain Foods (GB) Ltd*	x	
Minster Veterinary Practice	x	x
Muntons PLC	see EFFP	
NADIS	x	
NFU		x
North Yorkshire Red Meat Groups	x	
Stockbridge Technology Centre Research Foundation		x
Tony Walmsley Associates		x
Yorkshire Agricultural Society		x
Yorkshire Rural Training Network	x	
Yorwoods	x	

*Same as Ibbotsons

Note: For completeness we have kept all training providers in the list above even if they may not have provided any training on technical/business management advice.

West Midlands Training Providers

West Midlands Training Providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
7Y Services		
Adas	x	x
AHDB		
Arden Forest		
BCVA		
BPEX	x	x
Business Information Point		
Campden Technology		
Cardiff University		
Central Training Services		
Cooke Training And Development		
EBLEX	x	x
EBVC		
Farming & Wildlife Advisory Group		
FEC Services Ltd		
Four Crosses		
G&ACSSBC		
Garden Organic		
Glebe Farm		
Growing Rural Enterprise		x
Harper Adams		
Hartpury College		
Hay Veterinary Group		
Heart of England Fine Foods		
Herefordshire Rural Hub		
HGCA	x	
Hillhampton Technical services		
Institute of Organic Training and Advice		
Kingshay		
Kite		
Laurence Gould		x
Linking Farming and Environment (LEAF)	x	
Local Sourcing		
Lodders		
Mark Measures		
Masstock		
Midwest Rural Enterprises		
Minster Vets	x	x

My Healthy Herd		
Nadis	x	
National Beef Association		
NFU		x
NIAB / The Arable Group / TAG Consulting		
P&L Agriconsulting		
Pan Livestock		
Potato council		
Poultec	x	
RASE		
Royal Agricultural College	x	x
Royal Veterinary College		
Rural Hubs West Midlands		
RW Partnership		
Sastak		
Shire 4 Education		
Shropshire Rural Hub		
Smiths Gore		x
South Staffs College		
Staffordshire Rural Hub		
Stargrazers Discussion Group		
TFTF (2008) Ltd		
TKF		
Veridian Associates		
Veterinary Laboratories		
Walford & N Shropshire College		
Warwickshire College		
Warwickshire Rural Hub		
Westpoint	x	
Worcestershire Rural Hubs		
Wyvern Training Services		
XL Vets	x	

Note: For this region, no data are available to show which organisations have provided which type of training. Where possible this information has been completed using the information available for other regions.

North West Training Providers

	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
North West Training providers		
CREA		
Myerscough College		
Reaseheath College		
Scottish Agricultural College	x	
University of Cumbria		

Note: For this region, no data are available to show which organisations have provided which type of training. Where possible this information has been completed using the information available for other regions.

East Midlands Training Providers

East Midlands Training Providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
ADAS	x	x
BPEX	x	
CEVAS - Access to Farms		
DairyCo	x	x
Dovecote Park		x
EBLEX	x	
English Food and Farming Partnership		x
FWAG	In administration	In administration
Groundwork Derby and Derbyshire		
Growing Rural Enterprise		x
Lawrence Gould		x
Middle England Training Association	x	
Minster Vets	x	
More People		x
NADIS	x	
National Sheep Association	x	
NFU - East Midlands		x
Nottinghamshire Farm Business Association		x
Park Hill Training	x	x
Royal Agricultural College	x	x
Rural Development Initiatives	x	x
Rural Training Links	x	x
The Arable Group	x	
The Farming Life Centre		x
Tony Walmsley Associates		x
XLVET Training services Ltd	x	

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North East Training Providers

North East Training Providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
BWMB	x	
Access To Farms	x	
ADAS	x	
AONB Walling	x	
Border Crop Management		x
BPEX		X
Country Trust	x	
County Durham Federation of Young farmers	x	
EFFP		x
Farmstay	x	
Farmway		x
Herdsmans Certificate	x	
John Naylor*		
MVP	x	
NADIS/NEVA	x	
NFU/EFFP		x
NNATA	x	
Northern Trailer Training	x	
Northumberland Federation of Young Farmers	x	
Northwoods	x	
NWL	x	
RAFT XL Vets	x	
Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers		x
SAC Food Diversification		x
Scottish Agricultural College	x	
The Arable Group		x
UTASS	x	
Vicky Anderson training	x	
Weardale Outdoors	x	
XL Vets	x	

*not started providing training yet

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East of England Training Providers

East of England Training Providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
ADAS	x	x
Anglia Rural Training	x	x
Anglia Water Management	x	
BPEX	x	
Brown and Co		x
Decipher	x	
Easton College	x	x
EBLEX	x	
EFFP		x
Essex County Council	x	
HGCA	x	
Inn - Training	x	
Jarrold	x	
Laurence Gould		x
Linked Environment and Farming	x	
North Norfolk Business Forum		x
Otley College	x	x
Poultec	x	
Shuttleworth College	x	x
Smiths Gore		x
System Training	x	
Tastes of Anglia	x	x
The Arable Group (TAG) -	x	
University of East Anglia (UEA)		x
X L Vets	x	
YFC	x	x

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South East Training Providers

South East Training Providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
Brinsbury College	x	x
BTCV	x	
Cherwell and Isis Training	x	x
Chichester Crop Consultancy	x	
Concordia		x
Dale Training	x	x
ESUS	x	
FARMA		x
Growtrain	x	x
Hadlow College	x	x
Hampshire Training Providers	x	x
Kennet and Thames Training	x	x
Livestock Partnership	x	
Mid Kent Training	x	x
NADIS	x	
Plumpton College	x	x
Plunkett		x
Pro force	x	x
SCION	x	x
SEWF	x	
South East Food Group		x
Stock First Livestock Services	x	
Tourism South East	x	x
TV Energy	x	
UKVA		x
Vale Training	x	x
West berks and Oxon Training	x	x
Westpoint Veterinary Group	x	
Wineskills	x	x

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South West Training Providers

South West Training providers	Technical Advice/Knowledge Transfer (including Animal Health and Welfare)	Business Management Advice/Knowledge Transfer
ADAS	x	
Abbey Green Vets Ltd	x	
Adela Booth Associates	x	x
Agri-Bip	x	x
Agrovista	x	
Albert Cottage Vet Clinic	x	
Alpharma Animal Health	x	
Alta Uk Ltd	x	
Animal Health - David Hinton	x	
Animal Vet Centre Ltd	x	
Animal Vet Services Ltd	x	
Axe Valley Vet Practice Ltd	x	
Benson and Babb	x	
BOCM Pauls Limited	x	
Bodmin Moor Hill Farm Project	x	x
Bredy Veterinary Centre	x	
British Egg Industry Council	x	
British Grassland Society	x	x
British Wool Marketing Board	x	
Bulworthy Project	x	
Calweton Vet Group	x	
Cannington College	x	x
Carruan Farm Centre	x	
Castle Veterinary Group	x	
Cedar Farm Practice	x	
Charter Vets	x	
Church End Veterinary Centre	x	
Clifton Villa Veterinary Services	x	
Coldicott Veterinary Clinic	x	
Coombe Farm	x	
Coombefield Vet Hospital	x	
Cornwall Farmers Ltd	x	
Cornwall Sheep Dog Society	x	
Cornwall Smallholders	x	x
Cornwall YFC	x	x
CQLP Ltd	x	
Crops for Energy	x	
D.J & A.M. Ellis	x	

Damory Veterinary Clinic	x	
Dart Vale Vet Group	x	
Dartmoor Hill Farm Project	x	x
Davisons Accountants		x
Delaware Veterinary Group	x	
Devon Farms	x	x
Devon Sheep Dog Society	x	
Devon YFC	x	x
Dorset Training	x	x
Dorset YFC	x	x
Drove Veterinary Hosptial	x	
Duchy College	x	x
Duchy of Cornwall	x	x
Dulverton Veterinary Practice	x	
Dupath Butchery Training	x	
EBLEX	x	
EBVC	x	
Endell Veterinary Group	x	
Environment Agency	x	x
European Food & Farming Partnership	x	x
Evolution Farm Vets	x	
Exe Vale Farm Discussion Group		x
Exmoor Farm Business Programme		x
Exmoor Hill Farm Project	x	x
FACE		x
Farm Consultancy Group	x	x
Farm Vets South West	x	
Filham Park Vet Clinic	x	
Francis & Jackson	x	
Friars Moor Veterinary Clinic	x	
FWAG	x	x
G & P J Nute	x	
Garston Veterinary Group	x	
George Veterinary Group	x	
Girling and Bowditch	x	
Gloucestershire YFC	x	x
Harleigh Vets	x	
Harper Home Mix Ltd	x	
Harpers Home Mix	x	
Hayle Veterinary Group	x	
Head & Head	x	
HSE		x
Huers grp		x
Humphrey Feeds	x	
Hyline UK Ltd	x	

Ikin & Oxenham	x	
IOTA (Institute of Organic Training & Advice)	x	
J.R. Moore -Pullet Rearer	x	
Jonathan Holt	x	
Kensey Training	x	x
Kenwyn Veterinary Centre	x	
Kernow Training	x	x
Kingshay Farming Trust	x	
Kingsteignton Vet Group	x	
Kingston Maurward College	x	x
Kingston Vet Group	x	
Kingsghay Farming	x	
Langford Farm Animal Practice	x	
Langport Vet Centre	x	
LANTRA	x	x
LEAF	x	x
Liverpool University	x	x
Livestock Improvement Corporation	x	x
Lohmann GB Ltd	x	
LSSC LTD	x	x
Luxstowe	x	
Luxstowe Vets	x	
Lynher Training	x	x
Magdalen Project		x
Market Veterinary Centre	x	
Masstock	x	
Merial Animal Health Ltd	x	
Mid Cornwall Machinery grp	x	x
Mole Valley Farmers	x	
Moorgate Veterinary Group	x	
Mount Vets Farm Animal Department	x	
National Milk Records	x	
New Street Vets	x	
NFU	x	x
Noble Foods Ltd	x	
North Devon Dairy Discussion Group	x	
North Park Vet Group	x	
North Tawton Vets	x	
North Wilts Training Group	x	x
Novartis Animal Health UK Ltd	x	
Orchard Veterinary Group	x	
Pan Livestock Services Ltd.	x	
Pelyn Veterinary Group	x	
Penbode Veterinary Group	x	
Penmellyn Vets	x	

Poultec	x	
Quickes Traditional	x	x
Riveria Produce		x
Rosemullion Veterinary Practice Ltd	x	
Rosevean Veterinary Practice	x	
Royal Agricultural College	x	x
RSPB	x	
S.J Turner	x	
Selworthy Veterinary Group	x	
Semex	x	
Shepton Vet Group	x	
Silva House Veterinary Group	x	
Silvanus Trust	x	x
Smiths Gore	x	
Somerset Sheep Dog Society	x	
Somerset YFC	x	x
South Moor Vets	x	
Southill Vets	x	
Sou'westers Hort Club	x	x
SR Training	x	x
St David's Farm Practice	x	
St. Boniface Vet Clinic	x	
Stonegate	x	
Stow Vets	x	
Straight Line Nutrition	x	x
Stuart Young Veterinary Services	x	
Summit Discussion Group	x	
Synergy Farm Health Vets	x	
Tamar Valley Organic Group	x	x
The Dairy Group	x	
The Vale Veterinary Group	x	
Tibbs & Simmons	x	
Tom Philips Consultancy	x	
Torbridge Veterinary Hospital	x	
Transplant Training	x	x
Tyndale Farm Vets	x	
Vale Veterinary Clinic	x	
Vetswest Ltd	x	
Walters, McFadyen & Jones	x	
West Cornwall Dairy Discussion Group	x	
West Cornwall Grassland Society	x	
West Country Rivers Trust		x
West Ridge Veterinary Practice	x	
Westfield Veterinary Centre	x	
Westpoint Veterinary Group	x	

White Lodge Vets	x	
Wiltshire YFC	x	x
Wolfgar Veterinary Surgery	x	
Wood Veterinary Group	x	
XL Vets	x	
XL Vets Farm Skills	x	
Young Ones Discussion Group	x	