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# AR6 Core Parameters

## Contracts for Difference (CfD): Core Parameters for the sixth allocation round, 2024

### From: Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero

This notification applies to the sixth Contracts for Difference (CfD) Allocation Round, which will open in March 2024. The Core Parameters (pot structure, delivery years, administrative strike prices) aim to provide some basic information for industry and delivery partners to support preparation for Allocation Round 6. We do not anticipate changing these parameters but if amendments become necessary, we will notify developers and publish the updated parameters in the final Budget Notice.

The final Budget Notice, published in accordance with Regulation 11, will also include full parameters (maxima, minima, budgets), and will be issued no later than 10 working days prior to the commencement of the Allocation Round.

### Technology Groups

The technology groups ('pots') are as follows:

- **Pot 1:** Energy from Waste with CHP, Hydro (>5MW and <50MW), Landfill Gas, Onshore Wind (>5MW), Remote Island Wind (>5MW), Sewage Gas, and Solar Photovoltaic (PV) (>5MW).
- **Pot 2:** Advanced Conversion Technologies, Anaerobic Digestion (>5MW), Dedicated Biomass with CHP, Floating Offshore Wind, Geothermal, Tidal Stream, and Wave.
- **Pot 3:** Offshore Wind.

### Delivery years

The delivery years are as follows:

- **Pot 1:** 2026/27, 2027/28
- **Pot 2:** 2027/28, 2028/29
- **Pot 3:** 2027/28, 2028/29

## Administrative Strike Prices

The Administrative Strike Prices applicable to technologies in this allocation round are:

Table 1: CfD Administrative Strike Prices (£/MWh, in 2012 prices).

Technology	Administrative Strike Price
Advanced Conversion Technologies (ACT)	210
Anaerobic Digestion (>5MW)	144
Dedicated Biomass with CHP	179
Energy from Waste with CHP	181
Floating Offshore Wind	176
Geothermal	157
Hydro (>5MW and <50MW)	102
Landfill Gas	69
Offshore Wind	73
Onshore Wind (>5MW)	64
Remote Island Wind (>5MW)	64
Sewage Gas	162
Solar PV (>5MW)	61
Tidal Stream	261
Wave	257

## Re-basing Administrative Strike Prices

The Administrative Strike Prices presented have been calculated in real terms on the basis of a 2012 price level. To convert this into a more recently available price base, a Consumer Price Index (CPI) index can be used<sup>1,2</sup>. As an illustration, this formula is provided below.

$$CPI\ Adjustor\ \pounds_{2012 \rightarrow \pounds_{current}} = CPI_{current} / Average\ CPI_{2012}$$

For stakeholders to convert the Administrative Strike Prices into the most recently available price base (September 2023 at time of publication), the following CPI inflator should be used: 1.3736.

To note, this is purely for information and all bids for Allocation Round 6 should be submitted in 2012 values.

Further questions and answers can be found on the Contracts for Difference microsite: <https://www.cfdallocationround.uk/>

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<sup>1</sup> Published by the Office of National Statistics (ONS):  
<https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/inflationandpriceindices/timeseries/d7bt>

<sup>2</sup> Please note that CPI index values are subject to the ONS CPI Revisions Policy and may change in future.



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