AFFORESTATION GRANTS & PREMIUMS SCHEMES

Establishment Grants (€/ha)

Grants/Premiums Category (GPC)	1st Instalment Grant	2nd Instalment Grant	Total Grant
GPC 1 – Unenclosed	2,540.65	873.35	3,414.00
GPC 2 – Sitka spruce/Lodgepole pine	2,540.65	873.35	3,414.00
GPC 3 – 20% Diverse	2,699.60	873.40	3,573.00
GPC 4 – Diverse	2,984.52	942.48	3,927.00
GPC 5 – Broadleaf (except Oak & Beech)	3,999.67	1,199.90	5,199.07
GPC 6 – Oak	5,259.25	1,660.82	6,920.07
GPC 7 – Beech	5,738.87	1,865.13	7,604.00

- The 1st instalment grants are cost-based. The amounts shown above are the maximum amounts payable.
- The 2nd instalment grants are paid 4 years after the initial works are completed subject to satisfactory establishment.

Afforestation Premium Payments (€/ha)

Grants/Premiums Category (GPC)	Farmer rate (payable for 20 years) Plantation Area			Non Farmer rate (payable for 15 years)
	< 6ha	>= 6ha	>= 12ha	
GPC 1 – Unenclosed	240.94	240.94	240.94	197.12
GPC 2 – Sitka spruce/Lodgepole pine	386.95	401.56	416.16	197.12
GPC 3 – 20% Diverse	449.74	464.35	478.94	197.12
GPC 4 – Diverse	478.94	493.55	508.15	197.12
GPC 5 – Broadleaf (except Oak & Beech)	508.15	522.76	537.35	211.73
GPC 6 – Oak	544.65	559.26	573.86	211.73
GPC 7 – Beech	544.65	559.26	573.86	211.73

How to make a forestry grant application?

1. Contact a registered forester or forestry company to discuss which afforestation scheme is appropriate for your land type?
2. Applications for approval require completion by both the applicant and a Registered Foresters (see attached list).
3. Pre-planting approval is subject to applicant using Registered Forester who prepared application to carry out or oversee the actual works.
4. Written approval from the Forest Service must be received before any work is carried out.
5. Apply early as it takes a time for the application to be processed.
6. Application for planning permission is NOT generally required.
7. All grants are cost based and tax compliance is mandatory.
8. All forest grants schemes are subject to Terms & Conditions

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