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Woodland schemes: verifiable standards

Farmers must follow these rules if they apply for rural transition woodland payments.

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Verifiable standards and guidelines for classification of breaches of:

- Woodland Creation Grant (WCG)
- Small Grants – Woodland Creation
- Woodland Creation Maintenance (WCM)
- Woodland Creation Premium (WCP)

Maintenance of contract area

Description of breach:

Evidence the contract area has not been maintained

Severity:

Low – no maintenance but no impact on tree establishment

High – no maintenance but impact on tree establishment

Extent:

Measurable*

Permeance:

Rectifiable 1

Rectifiable 2

Permanent

Agricultural activity

Description of breach:

Evidence of livestock (including horses, ponies and camelids) within agreement area.

Severity:

High

Extent:

Measurable*

Permanence:

Rectifiable 1

Rectifiable 2

Permanent

Description of breach:

Evidence of cropping within agreement area

Severity:

High

Extent:

Measurable*

Permanence:

Rectifiable 2

Permanent

Requirement to notify sale/ transfer of land

Description of breach:

Not notifying the Welsh Government of sale or transfer of land under agreement within 30 days

Severity:

Low - Notification received, but not within 30 days

Medium - No notification received.

Extent:

Extent 1

Permanence:

Rectifiable 1

*To obtain the extent level divide the entire area of the breached parcel by the total area of land covered by the Scheme and then multiply by 100.

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