

**NPI Name:** Fence removal

**NPI Code:** FRL

**NPI Payment:** Year 1: £2.50 per m

**NPI Aim(s):** To facilitate remedial management of EFS(H) sites.

**Scheme Applicability:** Wider – EFS(W)  Higher – EFS(H)  Group – EFS(G)

**This NPI is:** Permanent  Rotational

**NPI Description and Outcome:** 'Fence removal' is eligible where it will maintain and enhance the biodiversity value of EFS(H) sites and is included in the site specific Remedial Management Plan (ssRMP). 'Fence removal' is not available in the same location as any EFS protective fencing Option (Stock-proof fencing, Permanent electric fencing, Post and rail fencing, Deer fence). This Option must only be used in cases where removal of a previously erected stock-proof fence is necessary to achieve appropriate management of an EFS(H) site.

**Length Permitted:** **Minimum** 1 m **Maximum** Not Applicable\*

\* DAERA reserves the right to limit a Higher Level agreement value where it considers appropriate to ensure value for money.

## Requirements and Controls:

Code	Non-productive investment requirements (capital works)	Control type <sup>1</sup>		
		Admin	CwRS	OTSC
FRL1C	All 'Fence removal' must be completed by the end of Year 1.	✓	✓	✓
FRL2C	The claimed length of 'Fence removal' must be completed in the location where it has been approved.	✓	✓	✓
FRL3C	All materials from the previously erected stock-proof fence must be removed from the site.		✓	✓
FRL4C	The claimed length of 'Fence removal' must be completed to the Specification outlined below.	✓		✓
FRL5C	Field records must be kept detailing Integrated Pest Management (IPM) requirements, date, location and length of the 'Fence removal', and method of disposal of materials.	✓		✓

<sup>1</sup> The possible control types for each requirement may be:

'Admin' – administrative checks, 'CwRS' – Control with Remote Sensing, 'OTSC' – On-the-Spot Check

## Specification:

- Previously erected stock-proof fence materials must be removed without damaging the site; and
- 'Fence removal' must be completed as detailed in the ssRMP.

## Further Advice:

If you intend to complete this NPI on a march boundary you should ensure that you have fully discussed and agreed that you can carry out the NPI requirements and controls on the march boundary with the person who has control of the neighbouring land.

Approval should be sought from DFI TransportNI before a fence is removed along a roadway.

Previously erected stock-proof fence materials must be disposed of in line with the Waste Management Regulations (NI) 2006.