

How to complete your Environmental Farming Scheme Application Online 2019

The Environmental Farming Scheme (EFS) claim will be available to Agreement Holders from 8th April 2019.

This guidance is an addendum to “How to complete your Single Application Online in 2019”

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Environmental Farming Scheme Section

It is important to note that all EFS agreement holders are required to complete the Land Details Section of the Single Application regardless of whether or not they wish to claim for the Basic Payment Scheme.

If you hold an EFS agreement you will see a claim table similar to the land details table in the BPS claim. If you hold one EFS Higher or Wider agreement the relevant tab will be displayed. If you hold more than one agreement for both EFS Higher and Wider schemes, two or more tabs will be displayed. Click on each tab to display your agreement details and to make a claim for the Option(s) and associated additional Non-productive investments (NPIs) or capital items options.

If you have made a change to your field(s) (split or merged) using the map or field data table when completing your BPS claim then the original field(s) will be coloured grey below. The new field(s) are detailed below the original field. You are required to update the columns - "Amount Claimed", "Completed at time of claim" if appropriate, against the new field(s) for the Option.

Land with EFS Options that is eligible for BPS payment

In some cases land with EFS Options will remain eligible for BPS for the duration of the EFS agreement and for a further retention period if SFP was claimed and paid on the land in 2008. The codes to be used are detailed below:

Code	Environmental Farming Scheme (EFS) Option
OT12	Natural Regeneration of Woodland
OT10	Planting Tree Corridors
OT10	Establishment of native woodland less than 5 ha (ENW)
OT21	Creation of Riparian buffer – 2 metre width – ungrazed
OT21	Creation of Riparian buffer – 2 metre width – planted with native trees
OT21	Creation of Riparian buffer – 10 metre width – ungrazed
OT21	Creation of Riparian buffer – 10 metre width – planted with native trees
OT3	Establishment of Agroforestry

OT23	Creation of pollinator margins 10 metre width – Pollen and nectar
OT23	Creation of pollinator margins 10 metre width – Annual wildflower
FR1	Creation of arable margins 6 metre width – rough grass
FL3	Creation of arable margins 6 metre width – cultivated uncropped
CO16	Provision of winter feed crop for wild birds
OT3	Creation of traditional orchard – non commercial

Explanation of descriptions used on EFS claim tabs.

Management Unit (Higher agreements only) – this is the management unit associated with each option or item detailed in your agreement.

Field Number – each Field ID is made up from the Farm Survey Number and Field Number.

Field Area - the total area shown here will be the total area in ha as identified in your agreement.

MEA (ha) – the MEA is our assessment of the maximum eligible area that you can use to claim in each field (but see page 9 of this guide for claiming areas within Higher agreements). The MEA is based on the boundary features less ineligible features that we have shown on your map. Ensure that you check the MEA is accurate before claiming.

Option/Item Name – the options and items within your EFS agreement will be listed for you.

EFS Code - this is the code associated with each option or item as detailed in your agreement.

Permanent or Rotational – states if this option is permanent or rotational to another eligible field(s) that you have management control of.

Unit Type – this will tell you how this option is measured: length metres (m), a monetary value (£), a numeric value (qty)

Amount Agreed (Year 1/Year 2) - this is the amount of this Option(s) on your EFS agreement.

Amount Claimed (Year 1/Year 2) - record in this column the amount you wish to claim. You cannot claim for an amount greater than is in your agreement.

Completed at time of Claim - tick the box if you have the additional capital item / Non-Productive Investment (NPI) completed at time of claim.

Amount Claimed/ Maintained Year 2 (Year 2 Wider agreements only, commencement date 2017) – for Capital Items Options or Non-productive investments (NPIs), claimed and paid in year 1 of your agreement. This pre-populated figure should indicate the same amount as claimed in year 1 of your agreement. **You must continue to maintain and claim for these options/NPIs in each year of your agreement.**

Year 1 Amount Maintained (Year 2 Higher agreements only, commencement date 01 January 2018) – for Capital Items Options or Non-productive investments (NPIs), claimed and paid in year 1 of your agreement. Tick this box to indicate that you have maintained the items for Year 2 of the agreement. **You must continue to maintain and claim for these options/NPIs in each year of your agreement.**

Screenshots for EFS Agreements Claim tabs

The following screenshots show claim tabs for different EFS Agreements:

EFS Wider – Agreement commencing 01-01-2019 (Year 1 of EFS (W) Agreement)

EFS Wider – Agreement commencing 01-07-2017 (Year 2 of EFS (W) Agreement)

EFS Higher – Agreement commencing 01-01-2019 (Year 1 of EFS (H) Agreement)

EFS Higher – Agreement commencing 01-01-2018 (Year 2 of EFS (H) Agreement)

EFS WIDER CLAIMS - YEAR 1 - AGREEMENT COMMENCING 01 JANUARY 2019

Claim screen



EFS scheme

Wider Scheme Higher Scheme Higher Scheme
01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2022 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023

Effective Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023
 Claim Period No 1
 Claim Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019

Farm Survey Number	Field Number	
-- Any FSN --	-- Any Field No --	<input type="button" value="Reset"/> <input type="button" value="Filter"/>

Field No.	Field Area (ha)	MEA (ha)	Option / Item Name	EFS Code	Permanent or Rotational	Unit Type	Amount Agreed (Year 1)	Amount Claimed (Year 1)	Completed at time of claim
	3.52	3.52	Drinking trough base	DTB	Perm	qty	1	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	3.52	3.52	Drinking trough	DTR	Perm	qty	1	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4/005/029/9	1.24	1.24	Watercourse stabilisation with fencing	WSF	Perm	m	75.00	<input type="text" value="75.00"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1.24	1.24	Drinking trough pipe work	DTP	Perm	m	75.00	<input type="text" value="75.00"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1.24	1.24	Drinking trough base	DTB	Perm	qty	1	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	1.24	1.24	Drinking trough	DTR	Perm	qty	1	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4/005/075/1	2.34	2.34	Watercourse stabilisation with fencing	WSF	Perm	m	250.00	<input type="text" value="250.00"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	2.34	2.34	Drinking trough pipe work	DTP	Perm	m	85.00	<input type="text" value="85.00"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Actions

The areas and amounts of EFS Wider options and capital items included in your EFS Wider agreement are prepopulated in the claim section of the Single Application Online.

If you have already completed the work for the item, carefully measure the amount you have completed and if necessary, reduce the prepopulated amount online; e.g.

200 metres of stockproof fencing (SPF) protecting a woodland planting option (ENW) has been included in the EFS Wider agreement. The fence has been completed and measured at 180 metres. The prepopulated claim of 200 metres must be reduced to 180 metres.

Claims for NPIs (capital items) are only eligible for payment where the EFS Wider Options within the field have also been completed and claimed – e.g. a claim for stockproof fencing (SPF) is not eligible for payment unless the EFS Wider Option (such as Tree enhanced boundaries, TEB) has also been claimed.

Check your claim areas against the current LPIS MEA for the field to ensure that you make your claim using the most recent LPIS data available.

If you have made a reduction to your claim for BPS in a field i.e. you have claimed below the MEA due to the presence of an ineligible feature, check if this reduced figure needs to be duplicated in your EFS claim for that field.

EFS WIDER CLAIMS - YEAR 2 - AGREEMENT COMMENCING 01 JULY 2017

Claim Screen

EFS scheme

Wider Scheme
03/07/2017 - 31/12/2022

Effective Period 03/07/2017 - 31/12/2022
 Claim Period No 2
 Claim Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019

Farm Survey Number	Field Number		
-- Any FSN --	-- Any Field No --	Reset	Filter

Field No.	Field Area (ha)	MEA (ha)	Option / Item Name	EFS Code	Permanent or Rotational <small>(f)</small>	Unit Type	Amount Agreed <small>(f)</small>	Amount Claimed/ Maintained Year 2 <small>(f)</small>
2/059/164/14	1.90	1.88	Tree Boundaries	TEB	Perm	m	180.00	180.00
	1.90	1.88	Stock-proof fencing	SPF	Perm	m	180.00	180.00
2/059/164/15	0.00	0.00	Tree Boundaries	TEB	Perm	m	200.00	200.00
	0.00	0.00	Stock-proof fencing	SPF	Perm	m	200.00	200.00
2/059/164/16	0.00	0.00	Tree Boundaries	TEB	Perm	m	295.00	295.00
	0.00	0.00	Stock-proof fencing	SPF	Perm	m	295.00	295.00
2/059/164/17	0.69	0.69	Tree Boundaries	TEB	Perm	m	335.00	335.00
	0.69	0.69	Stock-proof fencing	SPF	Perm	m	335.00	335.00

Actions

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Year 2 claims - follow the guidance listed above for Year 1 claims but in addition:

- One-off Payments for Options (see table below) and NPIs established in the first year of your EFS agreement (such as stock proof fencing, drinking troughs, etc) were paid as part of your EFS Year 1 claim.

Option	Option Code
Creation of Tree enhanced boundaries	TEB
Hedge laying including two protective fences	LAY
Traditional stone wall rebuilding – Single skin	SSW
Traditional stone wall rebuilding – Double skin	DSW
Hedge Planting including two protective fences	PNH
Watercourse stabilisation with fencing	WSF

- If you reduced your claim in Year 1 for one of these Options (and any associated NPIs) the reduced amount will be pre-populated on the claim tab.
- **You must continue to maintain and claim for these options/NPIs in each year of your agreement.**
- Ensure that the 'Amount Claimed/Maintained Year 2' column is correct before submitting your claim – under normal circumstances it should indicate the same amount as claimed in Year 1 of your agreement.

EFS HIGHER CLAIMS - YEAR 1 - AGREEMENT COMMENCING 01 JANUARY 2019

Claim Screen

EFS scheme

[Wider Scheme](#) 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023
 [Higher Scheme](#) 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2022
 Higher Scheme 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023

Effective Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023
 Claim Period No 1
 Claim Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019

Management Unit	Farm Survey Number	Field Number	
-- Any Unit --	-- Any FSN --	-- Any Field No --	<input type="button" value="Reset"/> <input type="button" value="Filter"/>

Mgt Unit No.	Field No.	Field Area (ha)	MEA (ha)	Option/NPI Name	EFS Code	Option NPI Type	Perm or Rot	Unit Type	Amount Agreed (Year 1)	Amount Claimed (Year 1)	Completed at time of claim
12	4/005/011/19	0.68	0.00	Ungrazed oak woodland remedial management	WOU	Area		ha	0.68	<input type="text"/>	
12	4/005/011/19	0.68	0.00	Stock proof fencing	SPF	NPI		m	350.00	<input type="text" value="350.00"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	4/005/011/19	0.68	0.00	Gate and two gate posts - Stock-proof fence	GPS	NPI		qty	1	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	4/005/011/25	2.75	0.00	Ungrazed mixed ash woodland remedial management	WAU	Area		ha	2.75	<input type="text"/>	
13	4/005/035/15	0.35	0.00	Ungrazed mixed ash woodland	WAI	Area		ha	0.35	<input type="text"/>	

Actions

- Check your claim areas against the current **LPIS MEA** for the field to ensure that you make your claim using the most recent LPIS data available.
- Your agreement includes one or more **Remedial Management Options (RMOs)** for each field. Check that the total area claimed for these RMOs within the field is not more than the LPIS MEA of the field. **NB There are some circumstances in which you may claim an area higher than the LPIS MEA**

for the field; for example when claiming woodland (RMO) areas or Non-productive Investments (NPIs) such as rush control etc. See table below.

- If you have made a reduction in your claim for BPS in a field i.e. claimed below the MEA due to the presence of an ineligible feature, check if this reduced figure needs to be duplicated in your EFS claim for that field (except for NPIs used to control that ineligible feature, See table below.
- Ensure that you have claimed the minimum amount required per field or agreement for each RMO and/or NPI.
- The areas and amounts of **NPI** items included in your EFS Higher agreement are prepopulated in the claim section of the Single Application Online.
- If you have already completed the work for the item, carefully measure the amount you have completed and if necessary, reduce the prepopulated amount online; e.g. 200 metres of stockproof fencing (SPF) protecting a breeding wader RMO (BWG) has been included in the EFS Higher agreement. The fence has been completed and measured at 180 metres. The prepopulated claim of 200 metres must be reduced to 180 metres.

Claiming for Woodland Remedial Management Options

- Ensure that you claim for areas of woodland that you are managing and have been included in your EFS agreement – under normal circumstances you should not make a zero EFS claim for woodland options.
- **Claims for fields which include woodland RMO's (grazed or ungrazed, see Table below) may exceed the MEA of the field.** This is because managed woodland areas which are ineligible for BPS are eligible for EFS payments. Your EFS area claim for a particular field will be higher than the LPIS MEA and your BPS claim in that field if the field contains EFS woodland.

EFS Woodland Remedial Management Options	Option Code
Ungrazed woodland (Mixed ash) remedial management	WAU
Ungrazed oakwood remedial management	WOU
Ungrazed woodland (wet) remedial management	WWU
Grazed woodland (Mixed ash) remedial management	WAG

Grazed oakwood remedial management	WOG
Grazed woodland (wet) remedial management	WWG

Claiming for scrub, bracken and rush control

- **Claims for scrub, bracken or rush control options (See Table below) may exceed the LPIS MEA of the field.** This is because areas of scrub, bracken or rush which are currently ineligible for BPS but which have been included as a scrub/bracken/rush control NPI within your EFS agreement are eligible for these EFS NPI payments.
- Claims must accurately reflect the area where control of scrub/bracken/rush has been completed. **This area may be less than the area of scrub/bracken/rush control included in your EFS (H) agreement.** Over-declaration penalties will be applied where post-claim checks determine that the area claimed exceeds the area completed.

Scrub, bracken and rush control options	Option Code
Scrub control light, stems less than 7 cm diameter, machine cut	SLM
Scrub control light, stems less than 7 cm diameter, manual cut	SLH
Scrub control heavy, stems greater than 7 cm diameter, machine cut	SHM
Scrub control heavy, stems greater than 7 cm diameter, manual cut	SHR
Scrub control – follow up treatment- stems <7cm	SLF
Scrub control – follow up treatment- stems >7cm	SHF
Primary treatment of bracken – mechanised or chemical	BPT
Follow-up treatment of bracken- mechanised or chemical	BFU
Primary Rush control	PRC
Follow-up rush control (Years 2-5)	RFC

Claiming for treatment of invasive non-native species

- Claims for treatment of invasive non-native species (such as rhododendron or laurel, see Table below) may result in a claim exceeding the LPIS MEA of the field. This is because areas of invasive non-native species which are currently ineligible for BPS but which have been included as a control of invasive species NPI within your agreement are eligible for these EFS NPI payments.
- Claims must accurately reflect the area where control of invasive non-native species has been completed. **This area may be less than the area of invasive non-native species control included in your EFS (H) agreement.** Over-declaration penalties will be applied where post-claim checks determine that the area claimed exceeds the area completed.

Invasive non-native species Options	Option Code
Rhododendron and laurel – primary control	RLP
Rhododendron and laurel – follow-up spraying regrowth control	RLF
Rhododendron and laurel control – control by stem injection	ARI
Primary and follow-up treatments of invasive non-native plants – Japanese Knotweed	AJK
Primary and follow-up treatments of invasive non-native plants – Giant Hogweed	AGH
Primary and follow-up treatments of invasive non-native plants – Himalayan Balsam	AHB

Claiming for Non-Productive Investments NPIs (Capital Items)

- **Claims for NPIs are only eligible for payment where you have also completed and claimed for management options within the field** – e.g. a claim for stockproof fencing (SPF) is not eligible for payment unless the RMO (such as breeding wader remedial management) or a vegetation control NPI (such as rush control) has also been completed and claimed.

- If a field in your agreement is managed under '**No Higher Option**' (NHO) you **must claim for the NHO area** to ensure that any Wider Options and associated NPIs approved and completed in that field remain eligible for payment.
- Claims must accurately reflect the area/length/units of NPI completed. **This may be less than the area/length/units included in your EFS (H) agreement.** Over-declaration penalties will be applied where post-claim checks determine that the amount claimed exceeds the area/length/units completed.

EFS HIGHER CLAIMS - YEAR 2 - AGREEMENT COMMENCING 01 JANUARY 2018

Claim Screen

EFS scheme

Wider Scheme
01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023

Higher Scheme
01/01/2018 - 31/12/2022

Higher Scheme
01/01/2019 - 31/12/2023

Effective Period 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2022
Claim Period No 2
Claim Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019

Management Unit	Farm Survey Number	Field Number	
-- Any Unit --	-- Any FSN --	-- Any Field No --	<input type="button" value="Reset"/> <input type="button" value="Filter"/>

Mgt Unit No.	Field No.	Field Area (ha)	MEA (ha)	Option/NPI Name	EFS Code	Option NPI Type	Perm or Rot	Unit Type	Amount Agreed (Year 2)	Amount Claimed (Year 2)	Completed at time of claim	Year 1 Amount Maintained
1	4/005/011/30	14.84	14.17	woodland remedial management	WAG	Area		ha	0.26			
1	4/005/011/30	14.84	14.17	Scrub control - Follow up treatment - Stems less than 7cm diameter	SLF	NPI		ha	0.00	0.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
1	4/005/011/30	14.84	14.17	Stock proof fencing	SPF	NPI		m	1,737.00	1737.00		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1	4/005/011/30	14.84	14.17	Follow up rush control	RFC	NPI		ha	0.00	0.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
1	4/005/011/30	14.84	14.17	Scrub control light - Stems less than 7 centimetres	SLM	NPI		ha	0.80	0.80	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Actions

Year 2 claims follow the guidance listed above for Year 1 claims but in addition:

- One-off Payments for **Wider Options** (see table below) **and NPIs** (such as Stockproof fencing, drinking troughs, etc) established in the first year of your EFS Higher agreement were paid as part of your EFS Year 1 claim.

Option	Option Code
Creation of Tree enhanced boundaries	TEB
Hedge laying including two protective fences	LAY
Traditional stone wall rebuilding – Single skin	SSW
Traditional stone wall rebuilding – Double skin	DSW
Hedge Planting including two protective fences	PNH
Watercourse stabilisation with fencing	WSF

- **You must continue to maintain and claim for these options in each year of your agreement.**
- Ensure that the 'Amount Claimed Year 2' column is correct before submitting your claim – under normal circumstances it should indicate the same amount completed and claimed in Year 1 of your agreement.
- One-off Payments for **Higher Level Non-Productive Investments (NPIs)** (Capital Items) established in the first year of your EFS Higher agreement were paid as part of your EFS Year 1 claim (See Table below for a list of these options).

NPI	NPI Code
Creation of wetlands	AWC
Creation of scrapes	COS
Bankside reprofiling	ABR
Structures/work to raise water levels	ARW
Ditch blocking – plastic piling dams (small dam)	DBS
Ditch blocking – plastic piling dams (medium dam)	DBM
Ditch blocking – plastic piling dams (large dam)	DBL
Heather regeneration - Controlled burning	HRB
Heather regeneration – Flailing	HRF
Predator Perch removal	APR
Predator control traps (Larsen trap)	PCT
Machinery for management of fen & reedbed tall vegetation	AMT
Restorative pruning of traditional orchards	ARP

Tree surgery	ATS
Tree pollarding	ATP
Post and rail fencing	PRF
Rabbit proof fencing	RPF
Stock-proof fencing	SPF
Permanent electric fencing (including energiser)	PEF
Gate and two gate posts – stock-proof fence	GPS
Drinking Trough	DTR
Drinking Trough Base	DTB
Water trough pipe work	DTP
Pasture Pump and associated pipe work	PAP
Parkland/Fruit/ Standard native tree guard	SNT
Parkland/Fruit / Standard native tree stake	SNS
Deer fence	DEF
Fence removal	FRL
Gate and two gate posts – deer fence	GPD
Outrigger electric fence for stock fence	OEF
Solar power energiser for electric fence	SPE
Standard parkland tree	SPT
Standard fruit tree	SFT
Native tree whip	NTW
1.2 m tubular tree guard and stake	TGS
Spiral tree guard and cane	TGC
Woodcrete bat box	BAT
Red squirrel feeder	RSF
Large bird box	BBL
Small bird box	BBS
Barn owl box	BOB
Solitary bee box	SBO
Stock bridge	ASB

- Where your agreement includes follow up treatments for rush, scrub, bracken or non-native species control, you should amend the pre-populated amount

claimed (zero) to the amount you have completed/intend to complete during the current claim year.

Wider Scheme
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Higher Scheme
01/01/2018 - 31/12/2022

Effective Period 01/01/2018 - 31/12/2022
 Claim Period No 2
 Claim Period 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019

Management Unit	Farm Survey Number	Field Number		
-- Any Unit --	-- Any FSN --	-- Any Field No --	↻ Reset	▼ Filter

Mgt Unit No.	Field No.	Field Area (ha)	MEA (ha)	Option/NPI Name	EFS Code	Option NPI Type	Perm or Rot	Unit Type	Amount Agreed (Year 2)	Amount Claimed (Year 2)	Completed at time of claim	Year 1 Amount Maintained
management												
1	4/018/093/37	4.94	4.51	Purple moorgrass and rush pasture remedial management	PRG	Area		ha	4.45	<input type="text"/>		
1	4/018/093/37	4.94	4.51	Follow up rush control	RFC	NPI		ha	0.00	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
1	4/018/093/37	4.94	4.51	Primary rush control	PRC	NPI		ha	2.72	<input type="text" value="2.72"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
1	4/018/093/39	2.44	2.37	Purple moorgrass and rush pasture remedial management	PRG	Area		ha	2.44	<input type="text"/>		
1	4/018/093/39	2.44	2.37	Stock proof fencing	SPF	NPI		m	300.48	<input type="text" value="300.48"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

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Traditional Native Breed – Irish Moiled Cattle - all EFS claimants Higher and Wider

If your EFS agreement includes Traditional Native breeds – Irish Moiled Cattle, you will see a claim table as detailed below.

Option Name	EFS Code	Unit Type	Amount Agreed (Year 1)	Amount Claimed (Year 1)	IMCS Membership Number	
Native Breeds	IMC	LU	10	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Manage Ear Tags

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Unit Type - LU = Livestock Units. An Irish Moiled cow is equivalent to 0.8 LU. Female animals aged 12 – 24 months are equivalent to 0.6 LU and those aged 6 – 12 months are equivalent to 0.4 LU.

Please note that female animals are only eligible if registered on the Irish Moiled Cattle Society Breed Register. The claimed number of female Irish Moiled animals must have been or remain in the herd for the claim year period.

Amount Agreed (Year1/Year2) - this is number of LU on your EFS agreement.

Amount Claimed (Year1/Year2) – this is the LU on 01 January 2019 for the period 01 January 2019 – 31 December 2019. You cannot claim for more Livestock Units (LU) than the number in your agreement.

IMCS Membership Number – this is your Irish Moiled Cattle Society Membership number.

Manage Ear Tags - Ear tag numbers for claimed female Irish Moiled animals must be provided so that a cross reference with APHIS and the Irish Moiled Cattle Society Breed Register can be made. Click on “Manage Ear Tag” button and the following box will appear.

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Add Ear Tags". At the top, there is a label "*Ear Tag Number" with an information icon. Below it is an empty text input field, followed by a red "Required." message. Underneath the input field is a "+ Add Ear Tag" button. A table below contains two rows of "Ear Tag Number" with values "UK121212121212" and "UK121212121211", each with a red trash icon. At the bottom are "Cancel" and "Save & Close" buttons.

Ear tag format – UK registered animals require 14 digits. Only the first two are alphabetical, the remaining 12 are numerical. ROI registered animals require either 14 digits or 15 digits, depending on the date of registration.

IMPORTANT

- Your EFS agreement is based on the maximum number of Irish Moiled Cattle (IMC) livestock units (LUs) that you intend to retain over the five years of the agreement.
- You should claim for the number of **Livestock Units of IMC** which you hold on 01 January 2019 and which you intend to retain in 2019. **Do not claim for the number of animals which you hold. Check your online application carefully to ensure you have claimed the correct number of Livestock Units.**
- Claims may be made for any amount **equal to or less than the number of eligible Livestock Units** included in your EFS agreement.
- You **must** individually identify the animals you are claiming for by supplying their DAERA Ear Tag numbers.
- Eligible animals must:
 - Be female
 - Be at least 6 months of age at the start of the claim year (01 January 2019).

- Remain in the herd for the claim period 01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019
- Have ear tag numbers that cross reference with APHIS/NIFAIS
- Be registered with the Irish Moiled Cattle Society.

Livestock Unit value of female Irish Moiled Cattle 2019 Claim Year

2019 Claim Year	Date of Aphis check	Livestock Unit (LU)	Rule	Date of Birth range to be eligible
01.01.2019 to 31.12.2019	01.01.2019	0.4	6 Months <=12 Months	01.01.2018 – 01.07 2018
01.01.2019 to 31.12.2019	01.01.2019	0.6	>12month <=24 months	01-01-2017 - 31.12.2017
01.01.2019 to 31.12.2019	01.01.2019	0.8	>24 months	On or before 31.12.2016

- The minimum claim is 0.80 LUs of pedigree female Irish Moiled Cattle registered with the Irish Moiled Cattle Society Breed Register.

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