

DUHALLOW FARMING FOR BLUE DOT CATCHMENT PROJECT
GRASS BUFFER MARGIN CHECKLIST

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Participant:	
Herd Number:	
Survey Date:	
Plot Number:	
Surveyor:	
Proposed Length	Metre Proposed 100% Payment €

MEASURE VERIFICATION CHECKLIST	YES	NO
Has the buffer margin been implemented at the location (s) identified on the project farm plan by the date specified in the project farm plan (If no 100% non-payment or payment for length of buffer fenced)		
Is the buffer margin fenced approximately 2.5 metres from the boundary, watercourse or hedgerow with a fence line fit for purpose (If no 10% reduction in payment and remedial action required)		
Is there evidence of grazing by livestock within the grass buffer margin (If yes 100% non-payment where margin is overgrazed and/or poached)		
Is there evidence of the application of organic/inorganic fertilisers within the grass buffer margin (If yes 20% reduction in payment)		
Is there evidence of the application of pesticides in the margin or within 5 metres of the margin (If yes 20 % reduction in payment or 100% non-payment if within the 2.5 metres grass buffer margin)		
Is there any evidence of damaging activities in the grass buffer margin such as poaching, rutting by machinery or dumping of material (If yes 10% reduction in payment)		
Is there evidence of invasive plant species in the margin? If yes, remedial action is required.		
Is there evidence of the encroachment of scrub in the grass buffer margin? If yes, remedial action is required.		
Is there evidence the Grass Buffer was topped/flailed before August 31 st (If answer is yes a 1% reduction in payment per day is applicable.		
Is there an abundance of negative indicator species such as docks, ragwort and nettle (If yes 10% reduction)		
TOTAL LENGTH OF GRASS BUFFER MARGIN		Metres
TOTAL REDUCTION %		%
TOTAL PAYMENT FOR MEASURE		€

COMMENTS:

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