

Table 1: Fencing grant rates for afforestation by grant premium category and fence type

| Grant premium categories (GPCs) | €/ha IS 436 (traceable standard) | €/ha non-IS 436 (non-traceable) |
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| GPC numbers: 1 (unenclosed land); 2 (Sitka spruce/lodgepole pine); 3 (10% diverse conifer); 4 (diverse conifer). | 500 | 350 |
| GPC numbers: 5 (broadleaf); 6 (oak); 7 (beech); 8 (alder). | 500 | 450 |
| Upgrade to deer fencing | 975 | 975 |
| New deer fencing (cap) | 1,950 | 1,800 |
| Agroforestry and Forestry for Fibre schemes | 500 | 450 |
| Fence type | €/metre, IS 436 | €/ha non-IS 436 |
| Stock | 4.20 | 3.50 |
| Stock/sheep | 5.40 | 4.65 |
| Stock/rabbit | 6.30 | 5.55 |
| Upgrade to deer | 7.00 | 6.50 |
| Deer | 16.25 | 12.00 |
| Deer/rabbit | 16.25 | 12.00 |

Notes from Forest Service: Maximum grant/ha for IS 436, €500 (120 metres/ha cap) for all GPCs; for non-IS 436, €350 for GPCs 1-4 and €450 for GPCs 5-10 (100m/ha cap). All deer fencing must be approved in advance. Only sheltered, fertile sites and where at least 70% of the area enclosed by the deer fence comprises broad-leaves and species in GPCs 4-10. The maximum metres of fencing funded will be based on the total lengths of new fences erected to Forest Service specifications and based on the area of the plantation multiplied by 120 metres, where IS 436 is used exclusively irrespective of fence type erected. Maximum fencing cap of €40,000 per plantation. Where non IS 436 deer fencing is used a cap of 150 metres/ha will apply to the deer fencing element and capped at €1,800/ha.

Source: Adapted by D. Magner (2015) from Forestry Programme: Ireland 2014-2020, Forest Service (2014).