

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food

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To the Forester or Forestry Company
named in the address

REPS & FEPS Afforestation Scheme

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please advise your clients of the following position in relation to the FEPS Afforestation Scheme.

The FEPS scheme will remain open only to new entrants who can meet the terms and conditions of the existing scheme. Persons who are already in FEPS must continue to meet the terms and conditions of the scheme in order to claim the additional FEPS premium for that year.

Under the terms and conditions of the FEPS scheme a participant must be a member of a current REPS scheme each year in order to claim a FEPS top-up in that year.

There will be no link between FEPS and the new Agri-Environment Options Scheme.

Yours sincerely

Gerry Fogarty
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