

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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APPLICATION TO REMOVE A FIELD BOUNDARY

PART 1:- Applicant details

1. Business Reference Number

2. Title

Forename(s)

Surname

3. Address

4. Telephone Number

5. Mobile Telephone

Number

6. E-Mail Address

Important Information

Removal of field boundaries (dry stone walls, ditches, hedges, rows of trees and earthbanks) is not permitted without prior written permission from DARD. This includes piping or laying drainage pipes in open sheughs. This applies to all land within an agricultural business irrespective of whether it is used to activate Single Farm Payment Scheme entitlements.

DARD will assess your application for field boundary removal using field boundary assessment criteria, including consideration of the field size and the quality of the field boundary. DARD will inform you of the decision in writing.

You must use this form to request the removal of a field boundary. The completed form should be returned to Countryside Management Branch at your local Department of Agriculture and Rural Development office at the address shown on page 4. A copy of your farm map, with the proposed boundary changes clearly marked, should be included with this application. Please provide any additional information that you consider may be relevant.

If you wish to carry out works which will lead to an intensification of agricultural activity on previously uncultivated land or a semi-natural area, you must apply to DARD Environmental Policy Branch for prior consent (Tel 028 90 524326 for further information).

Please complete the form in BLOCK LETTERS and sign Part 3.

PART 2:- Details of field boundary removal request

1. Farm Survey Number 2. Field Number
3. Location of field boundary in the field
(e.g. hedge beside road)
4. Description of proposed work to field boundary
(e.g. hedge removal and / or piping open sheugh)
5. Length of proposed field boundary work
6. Reason for proposed field boundary work

For additional field boundary removal requests please complete continuation sheet FBR2 and attach it to this form.

PART 3:- Declaration to be signed by all applicants

I declare that the information entered in this form is correct.

Signature Date

Status (owner /

tenant or agent)

PLEASE NOTE:- NO WORK IS PERMITTED TO COMMENCE BEFORE WRITTEN APPROVAL IS RECEIVED FROM DARD.

COUNTRYSIDE MANAGEMENT BRANCH POINTS OF CONTACT

Countryside Management Branch provides advice on all aspects of countryside management. Local Countryside Management Branch staff can be contacted at the following locations.

Kilpatrick House
38-54 High Street
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Co Antrim
BT43 6DT

Tel: (028) 2566 2800

Inishkeen House
Killyhevlin
ENNISKILLEN
Co Fermanagh
BT74 4EJ

Tel: (028) 6632 5004

2 Newry Road
ARMAGH
BT60 1EN

Tel: (028) 3751 5600

31 Station Road
MAGHERAFELT
BT45 5DN

Tel (028) 7930 2112

Rathkeltair House
Market Street
DOWNPATRICK
Co Down
BT30 6LZ

Tel: (028) 4461 2211

Sperrin House
Sedan Avenue
OMAGH
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BT79 7AQ

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