

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) N o 639/2014 of 11 March 2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing rules for direct payments to farmers under support schemes within the framework of the common agricultural policy and amending Annex X to that Regulation

[^{F1}]^{F2}CHAPTER 3

GREENING

SECTION 4

Ecological focus area

[^{F1}]^{F2}Article 47

Rules for the collective implementation and the criteria to be met by holdings to be considered to be in close proximity

1. [^{F3}Where the relevant authority decides] to allow a collective implementation as provided for in Article 46(6) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013, [^{F4}the relevant authority] shall define the criteria to be met by holdings considered to be in close proximity using any of the following:
 - (a) farmers of whom 80 % of the holding are in the same municipality;
 - (b) farmers of whom 80 % of the holding are in an area with a radius of a number of kilometres to be set by [^{F5}the relevant authority] with a maximum of 15 kilometres.
2. [^{F6}Where the relevant authority opts] for designating the areas on which collective implementation is possible and [^{F7}opts] for imposing obligations upon participating farmers or groups of farmers, [^{F8}the relevant authority] shall take account of existing national or regional biodiversity and/or climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies, river basin management plans or needs identified with a view to ensure the ecological coherence of the Natura 2000 network referred to in Article 10 of Directive 92/43/EEC or to contribute to the enhancement of green infrastructure.
3. The obligations for the participating farmers or groups of farmers referred to in paragraph 2 shall include the condition that the contiguous ecological focus areas will consist of one or more of the areas referred to in points (a), (c) [^{F9}and (d)] of the second subparagraph of Article 46(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.
4. Farmers participating in the collective implementation shall conclude a written agreement that includes details on the internal arrangements of financial compensation and as regards the administrative penalties in case of non-compliance on the common ecological focus area.]]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Regulation revoked (E.) (1.1.2024) by [The Agriculture \(Delinked Payments and Consequential Provisions\) \(England\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/1430\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 3 para. 1** Table 1 (with Sch. 3 Pt. 2)
- F2** Ch. 3 omitted (W.) (31.12.2020) by virtue of [The Direct Payments to Farmers and Rural Affairs \(Miscellaneous Amendments etc.\) \(Wales\) \(EU Exit\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1556\)](#), regs. 1(2)(a), **8(8)**; and Ch. 3 omitted (E.) (1.1.2021) in relation to an application for direct payments made in 2021 or in any subsequent year) by virtue of [The Direct Payments to Farmers and Cross-Compliance \(Simplifications\) \(England\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/1387\)](#), regs. 1(1), **6(3)** (with reg. 1(2)); and Ch. 3 omitted (N.I.) (25.2.2021) by virtue of [The Direct Payments to Farmers \(Simplifications\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2021 \(S.R. 2021/42\)](#), regs. 1(1), **5(3)**
- F3** Words in Art. 47(1) substituted (31.1.2020) by [The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/91\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(9)(a)(i)**
- F4** Words in Art. 47(1) inserted (31.1.2020) by [The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/91\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(9)(a)(ii)**
- F5** Words in Art. 47(1) substituted (31.1.2020) by [The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/91\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(9)(a)(iii)**
- F6** Words in Art. 47(2) substituted (31.1.2020) by [The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/91\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(9)(b)(i)**
- F7** Word in Art. 47(2) substituted (31.1.2020) by [The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/91\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(9)(b)(ii)**
- F8** Words in Art. 47(2) inserted (31.1.2020) by [The Rules for Direct Payments to Farmers \(Amendment\) Regulations 2020 \(S.I. 2020/91\)](#), regs. 1(2), **12(9)(b)(iii)**
- F9** Words in Art. 47(3) substituted (S.) (10.11.2022) by [The Rural Support \(Simplification and Improvement\) \(Scotland\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2022 \(S.S.I. 2022/279\)](#), regs. 1, **3(4)**

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