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Greening Instructions

From the Accounting Year 2015

ENCODING GREENING IN FADN

This note provides details on how to encode data on **greening payment and obligations**¹ in table M of the FADN farm return², depending on whether farms are required to apply greening obligations or are partially or completely exempted and provides some examples.

1. LAND USES AND GREENING PAYMENT³

Farmers entitled to a payment under the Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) or the Single Area Payment Scheme (SAPS) shall observe the greening practices (i.e. greening obligations) on their eligible hectares (Article 43(1)), which can be arable land, permanent grassland and/or permanent crops (article 4(e)).

The greening obligations depend on the land use:

- arable land: obligation of Crop Diversification (CD) and Ecological Focus Area (EFA),
- permanent grassland: obligation of maintenance of permanent grassland (PG),
- permanent crops: they are eligible for the greening payment but are not under any obligations for greening practices.

		Greening practice/obligation		
		Crop diversification	Maintenance of permanent grassland	EFA
Land use	Arable land	X	-	X
	Permanent grassland	-	X	-
	Permanent crops	-	-	-

Not all farms are subject to greening obligations and/or not all their agricultural area. It depends on the farm size, land use, production methods and other possible characteristics described below.

Moreover, farms have the possibility to replace the greening obligations by some equivalent practices.

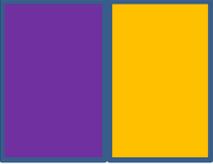
¹ In this note, legal references on greening obligations relate to Regulation (EU) No 1307/2013.

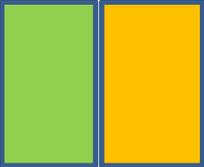
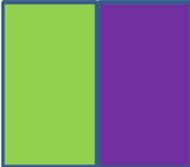
² Regulation (EU) No 2015/220.

³ References in square brackets are made to section "3. Analysis of different cases" and "4. Examples".

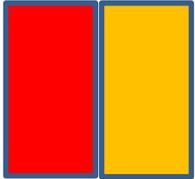
2. ANALYSIS OF DIFFERENT CASES

No	Graphical representation	Case	Payment and obligations	Registration in FADN	Example
1		<p>Farm under at least one standard greening obligation.</p> <p>Non organic.</p> <p>Not under Small Farmers Scheme.</p> <p>Above 10 ha.</p> <p>Only arable land and/or permanent grassland (PG).</p> <p>No exemptions (such as Natura 2000, less than 10 ha of arable land,...).</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>The farm has to comply with standard greening obligations, without exemptions.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "1" in column T. • Categories 10100 to 10319: in column T, enter "1" where relevant; <p>in column N enter number of hectares where relevant and ONLY record areas under specific greening obligations.</p>	<p>A and F</p>
2		<p>Farm with only permanent crops (on 100% agricultural area)</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>None.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000 to 10319: leave blank.. 	

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3		<p>Farm with permanent crops on part of its area.</p> <p>The remaining area can be arable land and/or permanent grassland, without exemptions (such as Natura 2000, less than 10 ha of arable land,...).</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>No greening obligation for the part covered with permanent crops.</p> <p>The remaining area (with arable land and/or permanent grassland) is treated as a farm subject to greening obligation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "1" in column T. • Categories 10100 to 10300: in column T enter "1" where relevant (if there is no arable land or permanent grassland, leave blank the corresponding categories); in column N enter number of hectares where relevant (ONLY for areas under specific greening obligations). • Categories 10310 to 10319: enter number of hectares in column N where relevant. 	
4		<p>Organic farm or in conversion on the whole agricultural area.</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>None.</p> <p>It is considered <i>ipso facto</i> complying with greening.</p> <p>It does not have to apply greening obligations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "2" in column T. • Categories 10100 to 10319: leave blank. 	B

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5		<p>Partly organic farm and arable land/permanent grassland: only a part of the area is under organic production method or in conversion.</p> <p>The remaining area (that is the non-organic area) can be arable land and/or permanent grassland.</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>It is considered <i>ipso facto</i> complying with greening obligations on the organic part therefore there is no greening obligation for this part.</p> <p><u>The non-organic part is treated as a farm under greening obligation.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "1" in column T. • Categories 10100 to 10319: in column T enter "1" where relevant; <p>in column N enter number of hectares where relevant (ONLY record areas under specific greening obligations - only the non-organic areas).</p>	C
6		<p>Partly organic farm and permanent crops: only a part of the area is under organic production method (or in conversion).</p> <p>The remaining areas (that is the non-organic area) is permanent crops.</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>None. The organic part is considered <i>ipso facto</i> complying with greening obligations. The non-organic part is permanent crops, there is no greening obligation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "2" in column T. • Categories 10100 to 10319: leave blank. 	

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7		Farm under Small Farmers' Scheme (SFS) .	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>Farmers participating in the SFS do not receive the greening payment as such.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i></p> <p>None.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: leave blank. • Category 1700: fill in columns N and V for the Small Farmers Scheme. • Category 10000 to 10319: leave blank. 	
8		Farm completely exempted from CD-EFA (e.g. less than 10 ha of arable land) and without PG.	<p><i>Payment:</i></p> <p>The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations</i></p> <p>None.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000 to 10319: leave blank. 	

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9		<p>Farm partly under greening obligation, exempted from CD and/or EFA.</p> <p>The remaining area can be arable land and/or permanent grassland.</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i> The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i> The non-exempted part is treated as a farm under greening obligation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "1" in column T. • Categories 10100 to 10319: where relevant enter "1" in column T; <p>in column N enter number of hectares - ONLY for areas under specific greening obligation.</p> <p><u>The hectares related to the exempted part are not reported.</u></p>	D & E
10		<p>Farm completely under equivalence (i.e. for all three greening obligations)</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i> The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i> The farmer should comply with the rules of the equivalent practice and not with the correspondent standard greening obligations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "1" in column T. • Category 10100 to 10300: where relevant, enter "5-6" in column T. • Category 10310 to 10319: in column N enter number of hectares where relevant. 	

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11		<p>Farm partly under equivalence (i.e. for one or two of the three greening obligations).</p>	<p><i>Payment:</i> The farm receives the greening payment for its whole area.</p> <p><i>Obligations:</i> The farmer should comply with the rules of the equivalent practice(s) and not with the corresponding standard greening obligation(s).</p> <p>The farm has to apply the remaining standard greening obligation(s).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Category 1400: register greening payment in column V. • Category 10000: enter "1" in column T. • Category 10100 to 10300: where relevant, enter "5-6" in column T for the part under equivalent practices and "1" for the part under standard greening; in column N enter number of hectares where relevant. • Category 10310 to 10319: in column N enter number of hectares where relevant. 	G

4. EXAMPLES

No	Graphical representation	Case description	Greening management	FADN management greening information		
				Category	T - Type	N - Number of basic units (ha)
A		Farm completely under greening obligation with 40 ha of arable land (EFA area 5% = 2 ha) and 5 ha of permanent grassland (no ESPG). EFA requirement is fulfilled by land lying fallow for 0.5 ha and 1.5 ha of buffer strips.	At least one greening obligation	10000	1	—
			CD: subject	10100	1	40
			PG: subject	10200	1	5
			ESPG: not applicable	10210-10220		
			EFA: subject	10300	1	2
			EFA details: subject	10310		0.5
			10313		1.5	
B		Organic farm or in conversion on the whole agricultural area .	At least one greening obligation	10000	2	—
			CD: not applicable	10100		
			PG: not applicable	10200		
			ESPG: not applicable	10210-10220		
			EFA: not applicable	10300		
			EFA details: not applicable	10310-10319		

No	Graphical representation	Case description	Greening management	Category	T - Type	N - Number of basic units (ha)
C		<p>Farm partly organic of 50 ha.</p> <p>The non-organic part, subject to greening obligation, composed of 25 ha of arable land and no permanent grassland: the farm is subject to crop diversification and EFA (EFA area 5% = 1.25 ha).</p> <p>EFA requirement is fulfilled by landscape features (trees in group) of 1.25 ha</p>	At least one greening obligation	10000	1	—
			CD: subject	10100	1	25
			PG: not applicable	10200		
			ESPG: not applicable	10210-10220		
			EFA: subject	10300	1	1.25
			EFA details: subject	10312		1.25
D		<p>Farm partly subject to greening obligation.</p> <p>Farm has 8 ha of arable land hence is exempted from CD and EFA but has 10 ha of permanent grassland (no ESPG).</p>	At least one greening obligation	10000	1	—
			CD: exempted	10100	4	
			PG: subject	10200	1	10
			ESPG: not applicable	10210-10220		
			EFA: exempted	10300	4	
E		<p>Farm partly subject to greening obligation with 12 ha of arable land and no permanent grassland: the farm is subject to crop diversification and exempted from EFA.</p>	At least one greening obligation	10000	1	—
			CD: subject	10100	1	12
			PG: not applicable	10200		
			ESPG: not applicable	10210-10220		
			EFA: exempted	10300	4	0

No	Graphical representation	Case description	Greening management	FADN management greening information		
				Category	T - Type	N - Number of basic units (ha)
F		Farm completely under greening obligation with no arable land, PG on 20 ha, of which 8 ha of ESPG in Natura 2000.	At least one greening obligation	10000	1	—
			CD: not applicable	10100		
			PG: not applicable	10200	1	20
			ESPG Natura 2000: subject	10210	1	8
			ESPG outside Natura 2000: not applicable	10220		
G		Farm subject to <u>standard</u> greening obligation for PG and EFA with 80 ha of arable land (EFA area 5% = 4 ha) and 7 ha of permanent grassland. EFA requirement is fulfilled by catch crops on 1.2 ha and nitrogen fixing crops on 2.8 ha. The farm is also applying a <u>certification scheme</u> for winter soil cover (equivalent to CD) on the whole arable land.	At least one greening obligation	10000	1	—
			CD: subject (equivalence)	10100	5	80
			PG: subject (standard)	10200	1	7
			ESPG: not applicable	10210-10220		
			EFA: subject (standard)	10300	1	4
			EFA details: subject	10318		1.2
				10319		2.8

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