

Gate

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Aim

The aim of this item is to protect an existing or newly created habitat where new fencing is planned and gates are required for management or access purposes.

Eligibility

Any land where the area to benefit is included in a management option or has a newly created capital item is eligible. Only one gate per fenceline can be claimed in AECS. Any additional gates required must be funded by the business.

You must combine this item with one of the following items:

- [Stock Fence](#)
- [Deer Fence](#)
- [Restoring Drystone or Flagstone Dykes](#)

Requirements

- gates must be stock or deer proof
- gates must be either timber or galvanised steel, and must be at least 3000 millimetres wide
- gate posts (both the hanging and slam posts) must be either timber or galvanised steel
- if timber, gates, and gateposts must be pressure-treated softwood or untreated hardwood
- posts must be firmly dug or driven into the ground and concreted in if required
- gates must swing freely
- wire, twine, or rope are not acceptable as latches
- all materials must be new
- surfaces through gates must be firm, level and well drained

Payment

You can claim:

- gate for stock fence: £170.00 each
- gate for deer fence: £215.00 each

Inspections

The inspectors will check:

- the location and extent of the work
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Recent Changes

Section	Change
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	Removal of following text: (Suspended for 2023 round)
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