

Payment rates

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Introduction

The 2015-2024 CAP system is designed to be simpler and fairer. By 2019, farmers and crofters with similar quality land receive the same payment per hectare if they carry out a minimum level of activity.

This was done using regionalisation and convergence.

Regionalisation

All farming land in Scotland has been categorised into three regions:

Payment Region 1

This includes better quality agricultural land that has been used for arable cropping, temporary grass and permanent grass.

Payment Region 2

This includes rough grazing with a Less Favoured Areas (LFA) grazing category of B, C, D or non-LFA.

Payment Region 3

This includes rough grazing with an LFA grazing category A.

You can find out more about regionalisation on the following page.

[Regionalisation](#)

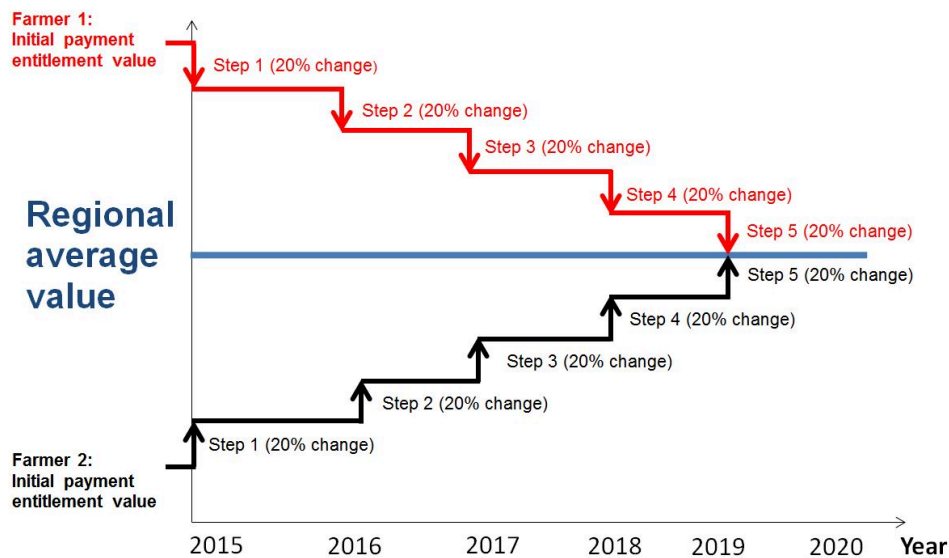
Convergence

Because of the way entitlements were calculated in the past, their value in 2015 will have differed from business to business.

Convergence was introduced to make this fairer, with the aim of paying everyone the same entitlement value per Payment Region by 2019.

We carried out a convergence calculation, comparing the 2015 entitlement values with the 2019 target, and adjusted the value of entitlements from 2015 to 2019 in equal percentage steps.

This meant the value changed, upwards or downwards, 20 per cent at a time towards the target until 2019. The following diagram shows how this worked.



Payment rates

The below rates show the difference between 2015 and 2019, as well as the current rates. Your payments will have gradually moved from the 2015 rate to the 2019 rates as per the above diagram.

2015 fixed percentage: 64.86%

2015 flat payment rate

Region one	Region two	Region three
€145.25	€60.29	€18.19

2015 budget adjustment

Region one	Region two	Region three
0.98	1.0580943	1.08

2019 flat payment rate

Region one	Region two	Region three
€165.63	€36.16	€10.48

2019 budget adjustment

Region one	Region two	Region three
€0.97	€0.95	€0.935

2020 payment rates

Region one	Region two	Region three
€163.75	€35.99	€10.41

2020 budget adjustment

Region one	Region two	Region three
1.00	1.00	1.00

2020 Greening rates

Region one	Region two	Region three

€84.61	€14.29	€4.77
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