



An Roinn Tithíochta,
Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht
Department of Housing,
Local Government and Heritage

Application for Cessation of Turf Cutting Compensation Scheme (2024)

Deadline for applications: 30 September 2024

The attached application form relates to the final call for applicants under the Cessation of Turf Cutting Compensation Scheme ('the Scheme'), administered by the Departments of Housing, Local Government and Heritage.

The Government established the Scheme to compensate landowners and turbarry rights holders affected by the cessation of turf cutting on raised bog Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) or Natural Heritage Area (NHA). **A list of eligible sites and the turf cutting cessation date for each is attached, under Note 2.**

How do I qualify

To qualify for this scheme the applicant must demonstrate the following:

- That he/she had a legal interest (ownership or a turbarry right) in a plot on an eligible SAC or NHA and had a right to cut and remove turf from the property on the date of cessation.
- That the applicant has been cutting turf on the said lands during the five year period up to the date of cessation and that the turbarry right or resource has not been exhausted.

Where the turbarry right or resource has been exhausted on an eligible bog plot, the applicant will not qualify for compensation under the Scheme. Department officials may carry out a site visit to verify information provided on or with the application form. The Department will inform applicants in advance of any site visit.

How to apply

- Complete application form. This form is not legally binding.
- Include a map of your plot (where possible).
- Include proof of title such as a Tailte Éireann folio and map, a Q3 agreement, consent letter from landowner or Bord na Móna, or any other relevant documents. Guidance on additional documentation is attached under Note 1.
- Any additional documents or information to support your application, especially where proof of title is difficult to obtain.
- Return your form and any queries to the Raised Bog Turf Compensation Unit:
 - By email at designatedbogs@npws.gov.ie
 - By phone at 0539117310
 - By post to

Raised Bog Turf Compensation Unit
National Parks and Wildlife Service
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
Newtown Road
Wexford
Y35 AP90



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Section A: Applicant Details

Forename:	<input type="text"/>	Middle Name:	<input type="text"/>
Surname:	<input type="text"/>		
PPS number:	<input type="text"/>		
Date of Birth:	<input type="text"/>		
Address:	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>		
County:	<input type="text"/>	Eircode:	<input type="text"/>
Phone No:	<input type="text"/>	Mobile No:	<input type="text"/>
Email address:	<input type="text"/>		

Section B: Ownership or Turbary Rights

What type of rights do you hold (tick as appropriate):

Right of Freehold Right of Turbary Acquired Right

Name of Special Area of Conservation or Natural Heritage Area

Please state the bog plot number and the townland (and include a map if possible):

Please state the Property Registration Authority or Land Registry folio number:

(Right of Turbary only) Please state the name of the entity that originally granted the turbary right (e. g. Bord Na Móna, Irish Land Commission, Estate, etc.)

(Inherited Right of Turbary only) Please state the name of the individual you inherited it from and your relationship to that individual.

Have you previously sold bog or turbary rights to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage or other department?

Yes No



Section C: Qualifying Criteria

I certify that I am the legal owner of the rights attached to the above referenced folio(s) or bog plot(s) and attached map(s).

Yes No

I certify that I have been cutting turf for domestic purposes on the lands defined on the above folio(s) or bog plot(s) and on the attached map during the five-year period up to the cessation year and the turbary right or resource has not been exhausted.

Yes No

Please enter the approximate date of last turf cutting:

Please supply us with any additional information you believe supports you application and / or clarifies which plot you are claiming to have a legal interest in, particularly if you have an acquired or inherited right, or cannot supply a plot or folio number:

I/we declare that all the information given in this application is true, accurate and complete and that I/we wish to apply for compensation.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage will treat all information and personal data you give us as confidential. However, it should be noted that, in order to (a) verify that the qualifying criteria of the scheme have been met and (b) gather further information which may support your application, information may be exchanged with other Government Departments / Agencies, in accordance with data protection law, such as with Lands Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Note 1: Additional Documentation

If available, please supply a copy of the folio, Q3 agreement or similar documentation with your application form. If you do not have copies of this documentation, the contact details of the relevant authorities are listed below:

For those applicants who own Freehold (Full Unencumbered Title) or an Appurtenant Turbary Right

- To obtain a certified copy of the folio with maps (title plan) contact Tailte Éireann who run the Land Direct service:
 - By phone (051) 303 000
 - By email info@tailte.ie or landdirect@prai.ie
 - <https://www.landdirect.ie/>

For those applicants who own Turbary Rights Only

- The Irish Land Commission or the Congested Districts Board granted certain Turbary Rights. The Lands Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine may hold these. You can request a search by contacting:

Lands Branch, Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine,
Farnham Street,
Cavan
(049) 4368200
info@agriculture.gov.ie

- If confirmed, a Q3 agreement may be obtained by ordering the following from the **Records Branch** of the **Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine**:
 - A certified copy of the Q3 agreement and
 - A map of the turbary plot

Records Branch, Department of Agriculture, Food and Marine,
Unit 11 Clonminam Industrial Estate,
Portlaoise
Co. Laoise
(057) 8634988
info@agriculture.gov.ie

- Enquiries regarding Turbary Rights obtained from Bord na Móna, and all other queries on the scheme may be made to this unit:

Raised Turf Compensation Unit,
National Parks and Wildlife Service,
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage,
Newtown Road
Wexford
(053) 9117310
designatedbogs@npws.gov.ie

Note 2: Eligible Sites

Year designated	Site Code	Type	Name	County	Year of Cessation
1997	000006	SAC	Killyconny Bog (Cloghbally)	Cavan/ Meath	2011
2004	000221	NHA	Moorfield Bog/Farm Cottage NHA	Galway/ Roscommon	2014
2004	000229	NHA	Ballygar Bog NHA	Galway	2014
1997	000231	SAC	Barroughter Bog	Galway	2011
2004	000235	NHA	Bracklagh Bog NHA	Galway	2014
1997	000248	SAC	Cloonmoylan Bog	Galway	2011
2004	000280	NHA	Castle Ffrench West Bog NHA	Galway	2014
2004	000281	NHA	Keeloges Bog NHA	Galway	2014
1997	000285	SAC	Kilsallagh Bog	Galway	2011
1997	000296	SAC	Lisnageeragh Bog and Ballinstack Turlough	Galway	2011
1997	000297	SAC	Lough Corrib	Galway/ Mayo	2011
1997	000301	SAC	Lough Lurteen Bog/Glenamaddy Turlough	Galway	2011
2004	000307	NHA	Lough Tee Bog NHA	Galway	2014
2004	000321	NHA	Raford River Bog NHA	Galway	2014
1997	000326	SAC	Shankill West Bog	Galway	2011
2004	000333	NHA	Anna More Bog NHA	Kerry	2014
1997	000382	SAC	Sheheree (Ardagh) Bog	Kerry	2011
1997	000391	SAC	Ballynafagh Bog	Kildare	2011
2004	000422	NHA	Aghnamona Bog NHA	Leitrim/ Longford	2014
1997	000440	SAC	Lough Ree	Roscommon/ Longford/ Westmeath	2012
1997	000497	SAC	Flughany Bog	Mayo/ Sligo	2011
2004	000564	NHA	River Little Brosna Callows	Offaly	2014
2004	000565	NHA	Clonydonnig Bog NHA	Offaly/ Westmeath	2014
1997	000566	SAC	All Saints Bog and Esker	Offaly	2011
1997	000572	SAC	Clara Bog	Offaly	2011
1997	000575	SAC	Ferbane Bog	Offaly	2011
1997	000580	SAC	Mongan Bog	Offaly	2011
1997	000581	SAC	Moyclare Bog	Offaly	2011
1997	000582	SAC	Raheenmore Bog	Offaly	2011
1997	000585	SAC	Sharavogue Bog	Offaly	2011
1997	000592	SAC	Bellanagare Bog	Roscommon	2011
2002	000595	SAC	Callow Bog	Roscommon	2012
1997	000597	SAC	Carrowbehy/Caher Bog	Roscommon	2011
1997	000600	SAC	Cloonchambers Bog	Roscommon	2011
1997	000604	SAC	Derrinea Bog	Roscommon	2011
1997	000614	SAC	Cloonshanville Bog	Roscommon	2011
2004	000640	NHA	Arragh More Bog NHA	Tipperary	2014
1997	000641	SAC	Ballyduff/Clonfinane Bog	Tipperary	2011
2004	000642	NHA	Ballymacegan Bog NHA	Tipperary	2014
1997	000647	SAC	Kilcarren-Firville Bog	Tipperary	2011
2004	000652	NHA	Monaincha Bog/Ballaghmore Bog NHA	Laois	2014

2004	000674	NHA	Ballynagrenia and Ballinderry Bog NHA	Westmeath	2014
2004	000677	NHA	Cloncrow Bog (New Forest) NHA	Westmeath	2014
1997	000679	SAC	Garriskil Bog	Westmeath	2011
2004	000684	NHA	Lough Derravaragh NHA	Westmeath	2014
2004	000691	NHA	Rinn River NHA	Leitrim/ Longford	2014
2004	000694	NHA	Wooddown Bog NHA	Westmeath	2014
2004	000890	NHA	Cangort Bog	Offaly	2014
2004	000937	NHA	Scohaboy Bog NHA	Tipperary	2014
2004	000985	NHA	Lough Kinale and Derragh Lough	Longford	2014
2004	000993	NHA	Ayle Lower Bog NHA	Clare	2014
2004	001020	NHA	Loughanilloon Bog	Clare	2014
2004	001227	NHA	Aughrim Bog NHA	Galway	2014
1997	001242	SAC	Carrownagappul Bog	Galway	2011
2004	001244	NHA	Castle Ffrench East Bog NHA	Galway	2014
2004	001254	NHA	Derrinlough Bog NHA	Galway	2014
2004	001388	NHA	Carbury Bog NHA	Kildare	2014
2004	001405	NHA	Cashel Bog (Leitrim) NHA	Leitrim	2014
2004	001450	NHA	Mount Jessop Bog NHA	Longford	2014
2004	001580	NHA	Girley Bog NHA	Meath	2014
2004	001623	NHA	Carrickynaghtan Bog NHA	Roscommon	2014
2004	001812	NHA	Lough Garr NHA	Westmeath	2014
1997	001818	SAC	Lough Forbes Complex	Longford/ Roscommon	2011
2004	002033	NHA	Daingean Bog NHA	Offaly	2014
1997	002110	SAC	Corliskea/Trien/Cloonfelliv Bog	Galway/ Roscommon	2011
2002	002298	SAC	River Moy	Mayo/ Roscommon/ Sligo	2012
2004	002323	NHA	Milltownpass Bog	Westmeath	2014
2002	002331	SAC	Mouds Bog	Kildare	2012
2002	002332	SAC	Coolrain Bog	Laois	2012
2002	002333	SAC	Knockacoller Bog	Laois	2012
2002	002336	SAC	Carn Park Bog	Westmeath	2012
2002	002337	SAC	Crosswood Bog	Westmeath	2012
2002	002338	SAC	Drumalough Bog	Roscommon	2012
2002	002339	SAC	Ballynamona Bog and Corkip Lough	Roscommon	2012
2002	002340	SAC	Moneybeg and Clareisland Bogs	Meath/ Westmeath	2012
2002	002341	SAC	Ardagullion Bog	Longford	2012
2002	002342	SAC	Mount Hevey Bog	Meath/ Westmeath	2012
2002	002343	SAC	Tullaheer Lough and Bog	Clare	2012
2002	002346	SAC	Brown Bog	Longford	2012
2002	002347	SAC	Camderry Bog	Galway	2012
2002	002348	SAC	Clooneen Bog	Longford	2012
2002	002349	SAC	Corbo Bog	Roscommon	2012
2002	002350	SAC	Curraghlehanagh Bog	Galway	2012
2002	002351	SAC	Moanveanlagh Bog	Kerry	2012
2002	002352	SAC	Monivea Bog	Galway	2012

2002	002353	SAC	Redwood Bog	Tipperary	2012
2002	002354	SAC	Tullaghanrock Bog	Roscommon	2012
2004	002355	NHA	Hawkswood Bog NHA	Offaly	2014
2002	002356	SAC	Ardgraique Bog	Galway	2012