COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY  
post-2020

The green architecture
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The new green architecture

Voluntary for farmers

Eco-schemes in Pillar I
(AECM, Forestry measures, investment measures...)

Climate/Env. measures in Pillar II
(AECM, Forestry measures, investment measures...)

Greening
(3 detailed obligations on crop diversification, permanent grassland and EFA)

Cross-compliance
(on Climate/Env, 7 GAEC standards (water, soil, carbon stock, landscape) and requirements from Nitrates Directive and Natura 2000 Directives)

Mandatory for farmers

New, enhanced conditionality
(on Climate/Env, 14 practices built upon EU minima (climate change, water, soil, biodiversity and landscape) and requirements from Nitrates Directive, Water Framework Directive and Natura 2000 Directives)

Level of requirement

Current architecture

New architecture
Example: water protection
Relevant objectives

**General objective:**
2. To bolster environmental care and climate action and to contribute to the environment- and climate-related objectives of the Union

**Specific objective:**
2. Foster sustainable development and efficient management of natural resources such as **water**, soil and air
Baseline: conditionality

SMR 1: Water Framework Directive
SMR 2: Nitrates Directive
SMR 12 and 13: Pesticides legislation
GAEC 4: Buffer strips
GAEC 5: Farm sustainability tool for nutrients

+ indirectly
GAEC 7: No bare soil (e.g. residues, green cover or winter crops)
GAEC 8: Crop rotation (e.g. not the same crop two consecutive years on x% of the arable area)
GAEC 9: protection of landscape features and mandatory biodiversity area (%)
Pilar I: Eco-schemes

- Establishment of green cover after main crops (beyond SMR 2 and GAEC 7)
- Establishment of non-productive areas on agricultural land around water courses (beyond GAEC 9)
- Diversified crops on the rotation including leguminous (beyond GAEC 8)
- Conservation agriculture: rotation, no ploughing, soil cover (beyond GAEC 7 and GAEC 8)
Pilar II: Management commitments and other payments

- Reduced use of fertilizers (beyond SMR 1 and 2)
- Reduced or ban of use of pesticides (beyond GAEC 9)
- Use of Integrated Pest Management (beyond the SUD)
- Longer multiannual rotation and diversified crops (beyond GAEC 8 and Eco-schemes)
- Payments for investments for manure management and localized distribution
- Payments for training and advice
Cross-cutting: Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System

- Research (on sparing water, pesticides, fertilisers, etc)
- Advice (on WFD, Nitrates Directive, SUD, etc.)
- Farmers organisations, environmental organisations, networks
- Innovation partnerships
THANK YOU!

Further information is available at: