



PRESCRIPTIONS FOR SMALL UNITS

Main farm code number

Business Name

Correspondence Address

Name(s) of small unit(s)/croft(s)

Contact Name

Telephone Number

Mobile

Fax

e-mail

The area of land occupied by your business and covered by this application - **excluding** your share in the common grazings:

hectares

Inbye:
(Payment is based on area of in-bye)

Apportionments:

Rough Grazings (where less than 10ha)

TOTAL:

Are you also applying to take up the option *Retention or introduction of Cattle of Scottish native and traditional breed(s)*?

Yes / No

CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN WITH SPECIAL MEASURES FOR SMALL UNITS

1 INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR BUSINESS on (Date)

1.1 CROPPING:

Total area of: hectares

arable crop

improved grassland

unimproved grassland

rough grazing (Incl. share in the common grazings)

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1.2 LIVESTOCK:

Numbers

Dairy cows

Dairy replacement heifers

Dairy bulls

Suckler beef cows

Suckler beef replacement heifers

Suckler beef bulls

Store beef cattle

Breeding ewes and gimmers

Ewe hoggs (replacements)

Store sheep

Pigs

Goats

Farmed deer

Laying hens

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1.3 BUILDINGS: (Brief description)

(a) Livestock accommodation

(b) Storage

(i) Crop (grain, silage, hay etc.)

(ii) Machinery

(iii) Waste (slurry store, midden etc.)

(c) General Purpose

SECTION I

2 COLLECTIVE APPLICATIONS

If this submission is one of at least four current applications to adopt this option, Conservation Management Plan with Special Measures for Small Units, from the same crofting community, please provide the following details of the other applications:

Name of Crofter	Croft Code Number (e.g. 999/0999)

3 CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Environmental Audit for the business will identify all of the habitats and features that occur on the unit(s) and specify those that are to be managed under the Scheme. The Conservation Management Plan with Special Measures for Small Units goes further and involves reviewing all the activities on the unit(s) and undertaking positive management to benefit *all* of the habitats and features identified in the Environmental Audit. The overall aim of this prescription is to encourage the development of a mosaic of habitats across the unit and to enhance wildlife diversity by doing so.

(a) Management Plan

For each unit, a brief description of:

Grazing Regime

- Current grazing plan for the unit, i.e. details of class and numbers of stock grazing areas of conservation interest, improved grassland etc., the duration of grazing periods;
- Changes to the grazing plan proposed under this option.

Cropping Pattern

- Current crop rotation if one is in place
- Details of the crop rotation to be adopted under this option

Other Measures, for example:

- Maintenance of any stockproof dykes in their current condition
- Leaving a narrow strip (up to one metre wide) of uncultivated and untreated land alongside hedgerows or dykes and at field corners
- Reducing stock access to all water margins within the unit or restricting that access to established waterings
- Removal of any scrap and at least screening of any eyesores.

3.1 MANAGEMENT PLAN

Name of small unit/croft:

Holding code number:

(a) Grazing Regime:

(b) Cropping Pattern:

(c) Other Measures:

(d) Any other relevant information

SECTION I

3.2 ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVES

A statement describing what benefits to existing habitats, species and landscape features on the unit will result by undertaking the measures described in this Plan.

Conservation Management Plan with Special Measures for Small Units prepared by:

Date:

Please note that Management Plan details should be entered separately for each unit within your business.

RETENTION OR INTRODUCTION OF CATTLE OF SCOTTISH NATIVE AND TRADITIONAL BREED

Please note that this option must be adopted in combination with the *Conservation Management Plan with Special Measures for Small Units Prescription*.

The following options are available under this measure:

Option 1. The unit(s) within your business support(s) two or more breeding cows of Scottish native and traditional breed on entry into this Scheme and will continue to do so for the lifetime of the agreement.

Option 2. On application to join the Scheme, the unit(s) within your business either do not have a herd of breeding cows or the existing herd has only one or no dams of either purebred or first cross native or traditional stock and the unit(s) will run two or more breeding cows of Scottish native and traditional breed(s) by the end of the first plan year. If SEERAD deem it necessary to achieve sustainable stocking levels and ensure that Scheme objectives are not frustrated, the numbers of any sheep on the unit must be reduced.

1 Which option do you propose to adopt?

Option 1

Option 2

2 For either Option, please provide the following details:

The number of breeding cows of Scottish native and traditional breed supported on the unit(s) within your business on the day prior to submission of this application:

3 For Option 2 only, please provide the following additional information:

The number of breeding cows of Scottish native and traditional breed(s) you undertake to introduce to the unit(s) by the end of the first plan year:

Please note that details of your herd (composition, breeds etc.) will be obtained from the Cattle Traceability System (CTS).