



Setting up tractor units, implements and settings

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Please note before proceeding:

These notes have been created to accompany the video guide available on the Farmplan website. The videos are quick help resources, and as such their contents do not cover every available situation, option, or solution: depending on your farm and business setup you may need to adapt or follow a different process.

For further information please contact the Gatekeeper support team, who will be happy to advise you.



It is possible to setup tractors and implements in Gatekeeper to assist with planning jobs, specifying application conditions, costing jobs, and providing traceability.

A 'tractor unit' is defined as a machine with its own engine and movement. An 'implement' is the active machinery, and an implement may have multiple application 'settings'.

Switch on ability to record tractor units and implements

1. Go to the 'Tools' menu and then click 'Options'.
2. From the list on the left hand side, click on 'Field Jobs'. Put a tick in the options 'Record tractor units used...' and 'Record implements used...'.
3. Click 'OK' to save and close.

Create associated costs (if not already present)

1. Click on 'Setup' and then 'Products (Business)'.
2. Under 'Fixed Costs' > 'Machinery Costs', select the appropriate heading and click 'Add New Product'.
3. Enter the name of the cost.
4. Enter the cost to be associated.
5. Click 'Save', or 'OK' to save and close.

Create tractor units

1. Click on 'Setup' and then 'Tractor Units'.
2. Select the appropriate heading and click 'Add'.
3. Enter the tractor name and click 'OK' to save and close.

Create implements and settings

1. Click on 'Setup' and then 'Implements and Settings'.
2. Select the appropriate heading and click 'Add Implement'.
3. Enter the implement name and if required, select an implement sub-category.
4. From the list on the left hand side, select the 'Standard Setting' which is associated to your new implement. To associate a cost to this implement, place a tick in the box 'Use machinery cost' and then select the appropriate cost.
5. If your implement is a sprayer, place a tick in the box 'Use capacities'. Enter the tank capacity and a standard volume rate, and select the spray quality and nozzle LERAP rating.
6. If you wish to add multiple settings against a single implement, click 'Add Setting' to add more settings, and repeat steps 4 & 5.
7. Click 'Save' or 'OK' to save and close.



With tractor units and implements and settings present, you will now be able to select the appropriate tractors and implements in planning and recording jobs. Gatekeeper will automatically tally the work done by tractors, and the implements are linked to functions such as LERAP assessments and load planning. For more information please consult the help resources or contact the support team.



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