

# LEAF Marque Standard v17.0 Checklist



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## Notes:

- This Checklist aims to support businesses when preparing for their LEAF Marque Audit. It does not replace the LEAF Marque Standard v17.0 which provides further information on the verification requirements and evidence needed.
- The full LEAF Marque Standard v17.0 can be accessed on the [LEAF Marque website](#).
- Further guidance for each section of the standard can be found in the [LEAF Marque & LSFR Guidance Library](#).
- A Document Checklist can be found in the [LEAF Marque & LSFR Guidance Library](#).
- Documentation can be uploaded to the [LEAF Sustainable Farming Review](#) and submitted to the auditor before the LEAF Marque audit. While this is optional, it may help the business and the auditor prepare for the audit.
- It is acceptable to integrate assessments and management plans, such that all information is in the same document. Assessments help to inform the strategies and targets in the management plans.
- Conformance with **Core** control points is mandatory for LEAF Marque certification. Conformance with **Advanced** control points is not mandatory for LEAF Marque certification.
- Guidance on the certification process can be found on the [LEAF Marque website](#).



The Record icon indicates where a Record is required.



This icon indicates that the control point can be evidenced at producer group level.

| CP No.                                    | Control Point                                                                                                                                                                                                        | C - Core | A - Advanced | N/A | Notes                                                                                                              |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
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| <b>Business Planning &amp; Resilience</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |          |              |     |                                                                                                                    |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 1.1.1                                     | The LEAF Sustainable Farming Review has been completed.                                                                                                                                                              | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |    |    |
| 1.2.1                                     | The business is a fully certified member of a LEAF Marque-approved baseline certification system for each product requiring LEAF Marque certification.                                                               | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |    |    |
| (New) 1.3.1                               | Awareness of all applicable national and local regulatory and legislative requirements.                                                                                                                              | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |                                                                                       |    |
| 1.4.1                                     | There is a record of all received complaints and evidence of appropriate actions.                                                                                                                                    | C        |              | N/A | N/A where there are no complaints                                                                                  |    |                                                                                       |
| 1.5.1                                     | There is an Integrated Farm Management Policy.                                                                                                                                                                       | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |    |    |
| 1.5.2                                     | The business provides regular internal awareness and training on IFM principles and practices for relevant staff/contractors.                                                                                        | C        |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have staff or does not work with contractors                                       |    |    |
| (Upgraded) 1.5.3                          | Where the business has overall management, or ownership, of tenanted or contracted land, there is an agreement that contractors or tenants must manage the land in a way that protects and enhances the environment. | C        |              | N/A | N/A where no contractors used or no land is rented out                                                             |    |                                                                                       |
| (New) 1.5.4                               | Where the business rents land/is a tenant, it seeks landowners with sustainability objectives.                                                                                                                       |          | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not rent land                                                                          |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 1.5.5                                     | Resource use and waste management opportunities are identified when purchasing, designing, or refurbishing buildings/equipment.                                                                                      | C        |              | N/A | N/A where no buildings and equipment purchased, designed, or refurbished in the past 12 months and/or future plans |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 1.6.1                                     | There is a health and safety risk assessment.                                                                                                                                                                        | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |  |  |
| 1.6.2                                     | There is a pollution risk assessment.                                                                                                                                                                                | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |  |  |
| 1.6.3                                     | Climate resilience is assessed.                                                                                                                                                                                      | C        |              |     | -                                                                                                                  |                                                                                       |  |

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| (New) 1.6.4                            | Business resilience is assessed.                                     |         | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                     |  |
| <b>Soil &amp; Substrate Management</b> |                                                                      |         |              |     |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| (New) 2.1.1                            | There is a soil assessment.                                          | C       |              | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil. See verification text for more details.                                                                                     |  |  |
| 2.1.2                                  | There is a soil management plan.                                     | C       |              | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil                                                                                                                              |  |  |
| (New) 2.1.3                            | There is a substrate assessment.                                     | C       |              | N/A | N/A where substrate is not used                                                                                                                                       |  |  |
| (New) 2.1.4                            | There is a substrate management plan.                                | C       |              | N/A | N/A where substrate is not used                                                                                                                                       |  |  |
| (New) 2.1.5                            | There is a nutrient assessment.                                      | C       |              |     | See verification text for more details.                                                                                                                               |  |  |
| 2.1.6                                  | There is an integrated nutrient management plan.                     | C       |              |     | -                                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |
| (New) 2.1.7                            | Nitrogen Use Efficiency is calculated.                               |         | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                                     |  |  |
| 2.2.1                                  | Strategies are implemented to prevent soil degradation.              | C       |              | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil.<br>Record is required for 2.2.1.c - Records of cultivations and field operations are used to inform the assessment of risk. |  |                                                                                     |
| 2.2.2                                  | Strategies are implemented to increase/maintain soil organic matter. | C       |              | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil                                                                                                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| (New) 2.2.3                            | Strategies are implemented to minimise soil disturbance.             | C       |              | N/A | N/A where it is not possible to minimise soil disturbance or where the business does not grow in soil                                                                 |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| (New) 2.2.4                            | Strategies are implemented to minimise bare ground.                  | C       |              | N/A | N/A where it is not possible to minimise bare ground or where the business does not grow in soil                                                                      |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| (New) 2.2.5                            | Strategies are implemented to maintain living roots in the soil.     |         | A            | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil                                                                                                                              |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| (New) 2.2.6                            | Strategies are implemented to minimise soil salinisation.            | C       |              | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil or where there is no risk of soil salinisation                                                                               |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |

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| 2.3.1       | Soil health is monitored annually.                                                                                   | C      |              | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil                                                                                                                                           |    |    |
| (New) 2.3.2 | Soil Organic Matter is measured.                                                                                     |        | A            | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil. See verification text for more details.                                                                                                  |    |    |
| (New) 2.3.3 | Soil Organic Carbon is measured.                                                                                     |        | A            | N/A | N/A where businesses do not grow in soil. See verification text for more details.                                                                                                  |    |    |
| (New) 2.4.1 | Strategies are implemented to transition to peat-free growing media.                                                 |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not use peat-based growing media.<br>Record required for 2.4.1.b - The business records the intended timeline to transition to peatfree growing media. |    |                                                                                       |
| (New) 2.4.2 | Where propagated plants are bought in, the business sources plants propagated in peat-free growing media.            |        | A            | N/A | N/A where propagated plants are not bought in                                                                                                                                      |    |                                                                                       |
| 2.5.1       | Strategies are implemented to minimise the loss of nutrients.                                                        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where fertilisers/silage effluent/wastewater are not applied                                                                                                                   |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 2.5.2 | Precision techniques are used to apply fertilisers.                                                                  |        | A            | N/A | N/A where fertilisers are not applied                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 2.5.3       | Fertiliser application equipment and machinery is maintained and calibrated.                                         | C      |              | N/A | N/A where fertilisers are not applied                                                                                                                                              |   |                                                                                       |
| 2.5.4       | Recommendations for application of fertilisers (organic or inorganic) are given by competent, qualified individuals. | C      |              | N/A | N/A where fertilisers are not applied                                                                                                                                              |  |  |
| 2.5.5       | Fertiliser storage and applications are recorded.                                                                    | C      |              | N/A | N/A where fertilisers are not applied                                                                                                                                              |  |  |
| 2.5.6       | Operators/contractors are trained in accurate techniques of fertiliser application.                                  | C      |              | N/A | N/A where fertilisers are not applied                                                                                                                                              |  |  |

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| <b>Crop Health &amp; Integrated Pest Management (IPM)</b> |                                                                                               |        |              |     |                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 3.1.1                                                     | There is short-term crop/rotation planning.                                                   | C      |              | N/A | N/A in some circumstances where there are perennial crops, fully indoor systems, or where no crops are grown (see guidance)                    |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 3.1.2                                               | There is long-term crop/rotation planning.                                                    |        | A            | N/A | N/A in some circumstances where there are perennial crops, fully indoor systems, or where no crops are grown                                   |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 3.1.3                                               | The business increases/optimises crop diversity.                                              |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there are fully indoor systems                                                                                                       |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 3.1.4                                               | Where land is rented for less than 3 years, there is awareness of the wider crop rotation.    |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there is no rented land, or in some circumstances where there are perennial crops, fully indoor systems, or where no crops are grown |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 3.1.5                                                     | There is a crop health and Integrated Pest Management (IPM) plan.                             | C      |              | N/A | N/A where no crops are grown                                                                                                                   |    |    |
| (New) 3.1.6                                               | Future pest, weed and disease risks are assessed/forecasted.                                  |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                              |    |    |
| (New) 3.1.7                                               | Decision support systems/tools are used.                                                      |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                              |    |    |
| 3.2.1                                                     | Pests, weeds, diseases and beneficial organisms are monitored and recorded.                   | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                                              |   |   |
| 3.3.1                                                     | The business identifies the environmental impact of all plant protection practices.           | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                                              |  |  |
| 3.3.2                                                     | Strategies are implemented to minimise negative impacts to beneficial and non-target species. | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                       |  |
| 3.3.3                                                     | Strategies are implemented to avoid pest, weed and disease resistance to PPPs.                | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                                                                                                 |  |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.4                                                     | There is a documented and displayed Pollution Emergency Procedure.                            | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                                              |  |  |
| 3.3.5                                                     | Only approved PPPs are used and stored.                                                       | C      |              | N/A | N/A where business does not use/store PPPs                                                                                                     |  |                                                                                       |

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| 3.3.6                                    | PPPs are stored and disposed of securely to protect the environment and people.                                                          | C      |              | N/A | N/A where business does not store/dispose of PPPs                          |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.7                                    | PPP application equipment is appropriately maintained and calibrated.                                                                    | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied. See verification text for more details.    |    |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.8                                    | PPP recommendations and applications are made by competent and qualified individuals.                                                    | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |    |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.9                                    | The PPP application rate and timing are appropriate and justified.                                                                       | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |    |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.10                                   | PPP applications and rate are recorded.                                                                                                  | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |    |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.11                                   | There is a documented procedure to ensure harvest intervals are applied.                                                                 | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |    |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.12                                   | Protection measures are in place where PPPs are mixed/handled to prevent spillage or pollution to waterbodies and the local environment. | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied or where PPPs are not mixed/handled on site |    |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.13                                   | Strategies are implemented to ensure PPP use is limited to the application area.                                                         | C      |              | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |    |                                                                                       |
| (New) 3.3.14                             | Precision techniques are used to apply PPPs.                                                                                             |        | A            | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 3.3.15                             | Low-drift techniques are used to apply PPPs.                                                                                             |        | A            | N/A | N/A where PPPs are not applied                                             |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.16                                   | Adequate precautions are taken to protect neighbouring businesses and the public from agrochemical use.                                  | C      |              | N/A | N/A where agrochemicals are not used                                       |  |                                                                                       |
| 3.3.17                                   | Actions are taken to inform neighbouring businesses and the public of agrochemical application activities.                               |        | A            | N/A | N/A where agrochemicals are not used                                       |  |                                                                                       |
| <b>Waste &amp; By-Product Management</b> |                                                                                                                                          |        |              |     |                                                                            |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (Upgraded) 4.1.1                         | There is a waste and by-product assessment.                                                                                              | C      |              |     | -                                                                          |  |  |
| (New) 4.1.2                              | Quantity of waste/by-products produced on-farm is measured.                                                                              |        | A            |     | -                                                                          |  |                                                                                       |

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| (Upgraded) 4.1.3                             | There is a waste and by-product management plan.                                                                   | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |    |    |
| (New) 4.2.1                                  | Strategies are implemented to manage food waste/food surplus on-                                                   | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 4.2.2                                  | Waste/by-products are reused or repurposed.                                                                        |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 4.2.3                                  | Waste/by-products are disposed of responsibly.                                                                     | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 4.3.1                                        | Compost, slurry, manure, digestate and other organic materials are stored to prevent pollution to the environment. | C      |              | N/A | N/A in circumstances where compost, slurry, manure, digestate and other organic materials are not used or stored |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 4.3.2                                  | Land spreading of industrial waste is managed appropriately.                                                       | C      |              | N/A | N/A where no industrial waste is applied to the land or where registration is not required                       |    |                                                                                       |
| (New) 4.3.3                                  | The business avoids routine burning or incineration of waste/by-products.                                          | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| <b>Energy &amp; Greenhouse Gas Emissions</b> |                                                                                                                    |        |              |     |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 5.1.1                                        | There is an energy assessment.                                                                                     | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |    |    |
| 5.1.2                                        | On-farm greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from energy use are recorded.                                               | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |  |  |
| 5.1.3                                        | There is an energy management plan.                                                                                | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |  |  |
| 5.1.4                                        | A carbon footprinting tool is used.                                                                                |        | A            |     | See verification text for more details.                                                                          |  |  |
| 5.2.1                                        | Fixed fuel tanks are bunded and maintained to prevent potential spillages.                                         | C      |              | N/A | N/A where a business does not store fuel                                                                         |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 5.3.1                                  | The business is aware of the types and sources of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions on-farm.                          | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 5.3.2                                  | Strategies are implemented to mitigate/minimise GHG emissions from energy use.                                     | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |  |  |

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| (New) 5.3.3             | Strategies are implemented to mitigate/minimise GHG emissions from nutrient applications. |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not apply nutrients                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 5.3.4             | Strategies are implemented to mitigate/minimise GHG emissions from                        |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                      |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 5.4.1             | Strategies are implemented to capture and retain GHGs on-farm.                            |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                   |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| <b>Water Management</b> |                                                                                           |        |              |     |                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.1.1             | There is a water assessment.                                                              | C      |              |     | See verification text for more details.                                                             |    |  |
| 6.1.2                   | Water use efficiency for irrigation is measured.                                          | C      |              | N/A | N/A where no irrigation is carried out                                                              |    |  |
| 6.1.3                   | There is a water management plan.                                                         | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                   |    |  |
| (New) 6.2.1             | Water outlets/storage/irrigation equipment are inspected to prevent water loss.           | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                   |    |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.2.2             | Water is reused.                                                                          |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                   |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.2.3             | There is a closed-loop system to reuse water for irrigation.                              |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there is no irrigation                                                                    |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.2.4             | Rainwater is collected and used.                                                          |        | A            | N/A | N/A where collecting rainwater is not legally allowed                                               |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.2.5             | Rainwater is stored for use during periods of water scarcity.                             |        | A            | N/A | N/A where collecting/storing rainwater is not legally allowed                                       |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.2.6             | All groundwater abstraction/water use from surface water must be legal and responsible.   | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there is no groundwater abstraction/surface water use                                     |  |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.2.7             | There is no use of fossil water sources.                                                  |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                   |  |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.3.1             | There is a 2-metre buffer zone around waterbodies.                                        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no waterbodies on/adjacent to the site                                          |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.3.2             | There is a 10-metre buffer zone around waterbodies.                                       |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there are no waterbodies on/adjacent to the site. See verification text for more details. |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 6.3.3             | Strategies are implemented to prevent soil/silt from running off into waterbodies.        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no waterbodies on/adjacent to the site                                          |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |

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| (New) 6.3.4                         | Strategies are implemented to prevent nutrient runoff and leaching into waterbodies/groundwater.                  | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                |                                                                                       |                                                                                      |
| 6.3.5                               | Wastewater/waste liquids are collected and stored to prevent pollution to the environment.                        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there is no wastewater/waste liquids                                                                   |                                                                                       |                                                                                      |
| (New) 6.3.6                         | Where wastewater is discharged/applied to the land, there are strategies to prevent the pollution of waterbodies. | C      |              | N/A | N/A where wastewater is not discharged/applied to the land                                                       |    |                                                                                      |
| (New) 6.3.7                         | Strategies are implemented to restrict livestock from entering waterbodies wherever possible.                     | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no livestock                                                                                 |                                                                                       |                                                                                      |
| (New) 6.3.8                         | The business provides livestock drinking water points that are located away from waterbodies.                     |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there are no livestock                                                                                 |                                                                                       |                                                                                      |
| 6.4.1                               | The quality of surface water on the farm is monitored.                                                            |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there is no surface water                                                                              |    |   |
| <b>Landscape &amp; Biodiversity</b> |                                                                                                                   |        |              |     |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                       |                                                                                      |
| 7.1.1                               | There is a landscape and biodiversity assessment.                                                                 | C      |              | N/A | N/A where land is rented for less than 3 years - see additional details for rented land in the verification text |    |   |
| 7.1.2                               | There is a landscape and biodiversity plan.                                                                       | C      |              | N/A | N/A where land is rented for less than 3 years                                                                   |   |  |
| 7.1.3                               | Staff are involved in planning and implementing improvement to habitats and landscape features.                   |        | A            | N/A | N/A where there is no staff                                                                                      |  |                                                                                      |
| 7.1.4                               | Where land is rented, information is sought about landlord's landscape and biodiversity management practices.     | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not rent land                                                                        |  |                                                                                      |
| (New) 7.1.5                         | Where land is rented, the business collaborates with the landlord to enhance habitats and biodiversity on farm.   |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not rent land                                                                        |                                                                                       |                                                                                      |

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| 7.2.1       | There is no damage or destruction of national/local areas of archaeological or historical interest.     | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no ancient monuments and areas of archaeological or historical interest.<br>Record required for 7.2.1.b - Where damage or destruction has occurred, records must be kept to identify how it was caused, type of damage and date of occurrence.                    |    |                                                                                     |
| 7.2.2       | Protected areas and High Conservation Value areas are protected and managed appropriately.              | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no Protected or High Conservation Value areas                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| 7.2.3       | Natural forests, protected areas and peatland have not been converted into agricultural use.            | C      |              | N/A | N/A if no history of or current natural forests/protected areas, or N/A where there is no peatland. <u>See verification text for details on conversion date thresholds.</u>                                                                                                           |    |                                                                                     |
| 7.2.4       | Where conversion of other natural ecosystems occurs, the business avoids negative environmental impact. | C      |              | N/A | N/A where conversion activity does not occur                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |    |                                                                                     |
| (New) 7.2.5 | Strategies are implemented to restore habitats/ecosystems.                                              |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |  |
| 7.2.6       | Trees/hedgerows are retained.                                                                           | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no trees/hedges. See verification text for more details on tree removal.                                                                                                                                                                                          |    |                                                                                     |
| 7.2.7       | Deep cultivation under the canopy of in-field trees is avoided.                                         | C      |              | N/A | N/A for businesses where there are no in-field trees or hedgerows                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| 7.2.8       | Waterbodies are managed to protect biodiversity.                                                        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there are no waterbodies. See verification text for more details.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 7.3.1 | 5% or more of the total farm/site area is managed as habitat.                                           | C      |              |     | See verification text for more details about the 5% requirement.<br>Record required for 7.3.1.c - Map (7.1.1) shows that 5% or more of the total farm/site area is managed as habitat.<br>Record required for 7.3.1.d - LSFR question LB.03 has been completed with accurate figures. |  |                                                                                     |

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| 7.3.2       | 10% or more of the total farm/site area is managed as habitat.                                             |        | A            |     | Record required for 7.3.2.c - Map (7.1.1) shows that 10% or more of the total farm/site area is managed as habitat.<br>Record required for 7.3.2.d - LSFR question LB.03 has been completed with accurate figures.                                                                              |    |                                                                                       |
| (New) 7.3.3 | Strategies are implemented to improve the connectivity of habitats.                                        |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 7.3.4       | Strategies are implemented to support protected and key species.                                           | C      |              |     | Record required for 7.3.4.c - Breeding seasons are identified and recorded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |    |                                                                                       |
| 7.3.5       | Plant/tree species used in field margins and other habitats are native/appropriate to the local ecosystem. | C      |              |     | Record required for 7.3.5.d - Where seeding of field margins and habitats has occurred, the business must have seeding records, including seed labels.<br>Record required for 7.3.5.e - Where trees are planted, the business must have records of trees purchased and number of trees planted. |    |                                                                                       |
| 7.3.6       | Field/plot margins and site boundaries are managed to avoid negative impacts on species and habitats.      | C      |              |     | See verification text for more details.<br>Record required for 7.3.6.b - If cutting is required for access or health and safety: There is justification, negative impacts on species and habitats are recorded, mitigation strategies are implemented.                                          |    |                                                                                       |
| (New) 7.3.7 | The business must comply with local and national legislation regarding invasive species management.        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where there is no legislation regarding invasive species management                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| (New) 7.3.8 | Strategies are implemented to manage and control the spread of invasive species.                           |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| 7.4.1       | At least one species or habitat is monitored on-farm.                                                      | C      |              |     | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |
| (New) 7.4.2 | Four or more species are monitored on-farm.                                                                |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |  |

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| <b>Engaging Society</b>     |                                                                                   |        |              |     |                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| 8.1.1                       | The business engages with local or wider communities.                             | C      |              | N/A | N/A where it is not appropriate to carry out a community engagement activity and a justification is provided. See 8.2.1 and verification text for details. |    |  |
| (New) 8.2.1                 | The business participates in a knowledge exchange activity.                       | C      |              |     | See verification text for more details.                                                                                                                    |    |  |
| 8.3.1                       | The business participates in collaboration/collective action.                     |        | A            |     | -                                                                                                                                                          |    |                                                                                     |
| <b>Livestock Management</b> |                                                                                   |        |              |     |                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| 9.1.1                       | There is an annual visit and review from a veterinary surgeon.                    | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                                             |    |                                                                                     |
| 9.1.2                       | There is a health and welfare plan in place for livestock.                        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                                             |    |                                                                                     |
| (New) 9.1.3                 | Stocking density and number of animals is appropriate for the farm system.        | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                                             |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| 9.1.4                       | There is a feed assessment.                                                       | C      |              | N/A | N/A if no feed is used, or where the business does not have livestock                                                                                      |   |                                                                                     |
| 9.1.5                       | There is a feed management plan.                                                  | C      |              | N/A | N/A if no feed is used, or where the business does not have livestock                                                                                      |  |                                                                                     |
| (New) 9.1.6                 | There is an emergency/contingency plan.                                           | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                                             |  |                                                                                     |
| (New) 9.2.1                 | The species/breed(s) of livestock are appropriate for the farm system.            | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                                             |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |
| (New) 9.2.2                 | During periods of extreme weather/temperatures, livestock management is adjusted. | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                                             |                                                                                       |                                                                                     |

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| (New) 9.2.3 | Strategies are implemented to minimise antibiotic and anthelmintic use.           | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock. Record required for 9.2.3.b - Antibiotics and anthelmintics administered are recorded. |  |  |
| (New) 9.3.1 | Buildings that house livestock are optimised for the local climate.               | C      |              | N/A | N/A if no buildings are used for livestock housing or where the business does not have livestock                                       |                                                                                     |  |
| (New) 9.3.2 | Sustainable/recycled materials are used for bedding.                              |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                         |                                                                                     |  |
| 9.3.3       | Equipment used to treat/handle livestock is regularly maintained.                 | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                         |  |  |
| (New) 9.3.4 | Drinking water systems are efficient and in working order to prevent water waste. | C      |              | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                         |                                                                                     |  |
| 9.4.1       | Silage/silage effluent is stored to prevent pollution to the environment.         | C      |              | N/A | N/A in circumstances where silage is not used or stored, or where the business does not have livestock                                 |                                                                                     |  |
| 9.5.1       | Strategies are implemented to manage grazing/foraging.                            | C      |              | N/A | N/A where not appropriate or possible to implement grazing/foraging, or where the business does not have livestock                     |                                                                                     |  |
| (New) 9.5.2 | Rotational grazing/foraging is implemented.                                       |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                         |                                                                                     |  |
| (New) 9.5.3 | The grazing areas have a diverse composition.                                     |        | A            | N/A | N/A where the business does not have livestock                                                                                         |                                                                                     |  |
| (New) 9.5.4 | Livestock grazing/foraging is used as a strategy in crop rotations.               |        | A            | N/A | N/A if no crops are grown, or where the business does not have livestock                                                               |                                                                                     |  |
| (New) 9.5.5 | Silvopastoral/agroforestry systems are implemented (or trialled).                 |        | A            | N/A | N/A where not appropriate or possible to implement silvopastoral/agroforestry, or where the business does not have livestock           |                                                                                     |  |