



KNOCKHARLEY LANDFILL LTD
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KENTSTOWN
NAVAN
CO MEATH

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01/11/2021

Dear Knockharley Landfill Ltd,

I refer to your application for a Tree Felling Licence and I am pleased to enclose same.

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, it is open to you to appeal against it to the Forestry Appeals Committee (FAC), which operates independently of this Department. In accordance with the provisions of the Forestry Appeals Committee Regulations 2020 (S.I. No. 418 of 2020 as amended by S.I. No. 353 of 2021) a notice of appeal must be received **within the statutory 14 day deadline** and in a format required by the Committee.

The notice of appeal must be accompanied by the relevant fee and must include your name and address, grounds of appeal including the facts and contentions on which you intend to rely together with such documentary evidence that you wish to submit in support of your appeal. The fee for an appeal to the Forestry Appeals Committee is €200.

A Notice of Appeal Form for Appeals to the FAC can be found on www.agriappeals.gov.ie/forestryappealscommittee. Copies can also be obtained by calling the FAC on Lo Call 076 106 4418 or 057 863 1900 or e-mail: forestry@agriappeals.gov.ie

Submission of appeals

Appeals may be submitted by post and the fee of €200 (payable by way of postal order, bank draft or cheque) must accompany each notice of appeal otherwise it can not be accepted. The postal address is **Forestry Appeals Committee, Agriculture Appeals Office, Kilminchy Court, Portlaoise, Co. Laois, R32 DTW5**. The Notice of Appeal Form must be signed by the Appellant. **Appeals and payments that are not received within the statutory 14 day deadline cannot be accepted.**

Inspections of the plantation will be arranged at a later date to check on the utilisation of the licence.

Yours sincerely,

TARA HENDLEY
Felling Section, Forestry Division
DAFM, Johnstown Castle Estate
Co. Wexford
076 1064459



**AN ROINN TALMHAÍOCHTA, BIA AGUS MARA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND THE MARINE**

FORESTRY ACT 2014 - TREE FELLING LICENCE

Pursuant to the powers vested in him under the Forestry Act 2014, the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine hereby grants to the person specified in Schedule 1 (hereafter referred to as the Licensee) a licence authorising the felling of trees as specified in Schedule 2 subject to any conditions specified in any part of this licence.

This licence confers no title to the ownership of any land or trees specified herein. Where the licensee is not the owner of the land to which the licence relates, the conditions specified in the licence are binding on the owner of the land.

The authority granted under this licence does not remove the obligation on the licensee to abide by and fulfil the requirements of any other legislation.

During the period of the licence, the licence shall be for the benefit of the land and any owner thereof. (Under the Forestry Act 2014, "owner" is defined as "in relation to trees or a forest, means (a) the freehold owner, (b) the leasehold owner (if any), or (c) the occupier for the time being, of the lands concerned and includes Coillte Teoranta".)

Where the Licensee is not the owner as defined in the Forestry Act 2014, any conditions attached to this licence shall be binding on the owner.

Where an unexpired felling licence exists for any part of lands delineated in this Tree Felling Licence, it is important to note that this Tree Felling Licence will take precedence over the same areas delineated in the earlier licence.

The authority conferred by this licence will be exercisable for a period of 3 years from this date unless it is terminated by the Minister before the expiration of this period.

Signed on behalf of the Minister for Agriculture,
Food and the Marine

Tara Hendley

Date: 01.11.2021.

SCHEDULE 1: Licensee

Name of Licensee	Address of Licensee	Felling Licence Owner Number (FLO)	Company Registration Office Number (CRO No.)
KNOCKHARLEY LANDFILL LTD	KNOCKHARLEY LANDFILL LTD, KENTSTOWN, NAVAN, CO MEATH	FLO01571	

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SCHEDULE 2 : Details of felling operations authorised under this licence and conditions attached to this licence

1. The authority conferred by this licence is to fell the tree species that are specified in Table 1 of this Schedule and are located within the boundaries of the land parcel(s) listed in Table 1 which are delineated on the attached ortho-photo map(s).
2. The land parcel number(s) listed in Table 1 of this Schedule identify the land parcel(s) delineated on the attached ortho-photo map(s). (NOTE:- Only the last 3 digits of the parcel ID number are displayed on the ortho-photo map(s), e.g., the number 12345678 in the table will appear on the associated ortho-photo map as 678).
3. The authority conferred by this licence is to fell trees of the species shown in Table 1 within the associated land parcel(s).
4. It is a condition of the licence that, within the boundary of each land parcel, any tree felling carried out under the authority conferred by the licence must be in accordance with the specification for the Harvest Type associated with the land parcel in Table 1 of this Schedule. Schedule 4 provides the specification of each Harvest Type which must be adhered to.

Reason: In the interest of clarity and in the interest of sustainable forest management of the forest area licenced for felling.

5. It is a condition of the licence, to be known as the Replanting Condition, that each land parcel must be replanted in accordance with the replanting requirement for each Harvest Type. Schedule 3 lists the specific details of the replanting required under the Replanting Condition. Where the Minister through the authority granted under this licence is consenting to deforestation or to the permanent removal of single trees within any land parcel that is the subject of this licence but the Minister requires planting of an alternative site, the Replanting Condition shall be replaced with a condition called Alternative Planting Condition. In such circumstances, the Alternative Planting Conditions will be specified in this Schedule with the other conditions attached to this licence and it shall specify the requirements for the alternative site. (Deforestation takes the meaning defined in the Forestry Act 2014.)

Reason: In the interest of clarity, the maintenance of national forest cover and in the interest of sustainable forest management of the forest area licenced.

Table 1

Information submitted by the licensee					
Plot No.	Area (ha) applied for by the licensee	Species	Harvest Type	Harvest Year	Land Parcel Number
1	0.08	Ash	Line of Trees	2022	53563095
		Additional Broadleaves	Line of Trees	2022	53563095
2	4.89	Beech	Clearfell	2021	53563168
		Ash	Clearfell	2021	53563168
3	0.08	Ash	Line of Trees	2021	53563225
		Additional Broadleaves	Line of Trees	2021	53563225
4	0.03	Ash	Line of Trees	2021	53563269
5	0.49	Beech	Clearfell	2021	53563278
		Ash	Clearfell	2021	53563278
6	0.03	Ash	Line of Trees	2022	53563283
7	0.01	Additional Broadleaves	Line of Trees	2022	53563301

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Other conditions attached to this licence

(a) The licensee shall ensure that all felling and planting operations are carried out in accordance with Forestry and Water Quality, Forest Biodiversity, Forest Harvesting and the Environment, Forestry and Archaeology, Forestry and the Landscape and Forestry and Aerial Fertilisation guidelines and the Code of Best Forest Practice - Ireland and the Irish National Forest Standard published by the Department, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions

Reason: In the interest of clarity and protection of the environment during harvesting and, where applicable, during the replanting of the felled area.

(b) The licensee shall treat all conifer stumps with urea immediately upon tree felling where the soil type is mineral soil or where a peat soil is less than 25cm (excluding the litter layer). Treatment is not required where a conifer stand is being replanted with broadleaves, where the conifer is in a broadleaf stand is being removed or where broadleaves make up greater than 85% of the stand. The correct solution mixing rate is 1kg of fertiliser grade urea, 5 litres of water and one bottle of dye. Urea should not be applied to stumps with the buffer zones required by the Forestry and Water Quality Guidelines nor by the Forestry and Freshwater Pearl Mussel Requirements.

Reason: In the interest of preventing infection by butt rot (*Heterobasidion annosum*) of the trees remaining following tree felling operations.

(c) The licensee shall, until the expiration of eleven years from the date on which the authority conferred by the licence ceases to be exercisable or ten years from the date of planting, whichever is the later, preserve, in accordance with good forest practice, the trees planted as instructed in Schedule 3 and shall for that purpose maintain in good repair and effective condition all fences and other protection necessary to protect such trees from being injured or destroyed by the trespass of any animals.

Reason: In the interest of the appropriate management, protection and maintenance of the forest area planted after trees within the licenced area have been felled.

(d) All aerial fertilisation of restocking sites requires prior written approval of this Department.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable forest management and protection of the environment.

(e) The public road network and associated roadside drainage must not be adversely affected whilst carrying out felling operations. The applicant may be held liable for any damage caused to a public road as a result of works and/or haulage operation associated with utilisation of this licence under the Roads Act 1993, Section 13(10)(a).

Reason: To protect the public road network and to clarify the extent of the permission in the interest of traffic safety and orderly development.

(f) FELLING OPERATIONS MUST NOT COMMENCE UNTIL AT LEAST 14 DAYS HAVE ELAPSED AFTER THE DATE OF SIGNATURE OF THIS LICENCE.

Reason: To allow for receipt of any appeals (from any party) by the Forestry Appeals Committee in relation to the granting of this licence.

(g) The enclosed Site Notice must be completed and erected in accordance with the Directions provided.

Reason: In the interest of providing a public notification in respect of the proposed felling operations and any associated replanting activity.

(h) Inspector's Conditions:-

- The project and all associated operations shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the requirements of the Forestry and Archaeology Guidelines.

Reason To ensure the identification, recording, and further preservation, and protection as appropriate, of any archaeological remains that may exist within the site, as well as to safeguard any buildings, structures, or features of special architectural or historic interest on the site.

- All DAFM Forest Service guidelines apply. Reforestation operations shall observe the environmental requirements for afforestation guidelines. Reason to maintain appropriate silviculture and environmental practices.

(i) Strictly adhere to the Standards for Felling & Reforestation (October 2019). These Standards replace the existing Forest Harvesting & the Environment guidelines (2000).

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SCHEDULE 3 : Replanting

1. Under the Replanting Condition the licensee is obliged to plant trees (of species in number and stocking rate, canopy percent etc.) within the boundaries of the land parcel(s) listed in Table 2.

Reason: In the interest of the maintenance of national forest cover and in the interest of sustainable forest management of the forest area licenced for felling.

2. The land parcels listed in Table 2 below identify the land parcels delineated on the attached map(s) and ortho-photo maps(s). (NOTE:- Only the last 3 digits of the parcel ID number are displayed on the ortho-photo map(s), e.g., parcel number 12345678 in the table will appear on the associated ortho-photo map as 678.)

3. Under the authority conferred by this licence, the licensee must carry out replanting as outlined in Table 2, within a period of two years following each felling operation.

Reason: In the interest of the maintenance of national forest cover and in the interest of sustainable forest management of the forest area licenced for felling.

4. Replanting must be in accordance with the general practice of good forestry and to the satisfaction of the Minister.

Reason: In the interest of the maintenance of national forest cover, the interest of sustainable forest management of the forest area licenced for felling and in the interest of protection of the environment.

5. Where an Alternative Planting Condition is attached to this licence, this condition will be listed in Schedule 2.

Table 2

Plot No.	Area (ha) applied for by the Licensee	No. of Trees to achieve minimum stocking requirement per hectare	Species	Restock Species Canopy %	Reforestation Objective	Land Parcel Number
2	4.89	3300 trees	Beech	100	CCF	53563168
5	.49	3300 trees	Beech	100	CCF	53563278

SCHEDULE 4

Harvest Type	Harvest Type Description
Clearfell	The felling of all trees within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel or any subset of that land parcel. It is a condition attached to this licence and this Harvest Type that the area felled be replanted as specified in schedule 3 or an alternative area is planted as specified in Schedule 2 when an Alternative Planting Condition is attached to the licence.
Thinning	The felling of a portion of trees within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel or any subset of that land parcel to promote the growth and greater value of the remaining trees. Thinning is defined in the Forestry Act 2014 as <i>"the removal from a forest in accordance with good forest practice of excess or diseased trees, or trees of poor quality in order to improve the growth, health and value of the remaining trees"</i> .
Tending	Within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel or any subset of that land parcel, the felling of trees in the early stages of forest development to promote growth of the remaining trees. This Harvest Type is thinning as defined in the Forestry Act 2014, which is <i>"the removal from a forest in accordance with good forest practice of excess or diseased trees, or trees of poor quality in order to improve the growth, health and value of the remaining trees"</i> .
Continuous Cover Forestry	The felling of trees within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel or any subset of that land parcel to promote the natural regeneration of young trees. It is a condition of this licence that such natural regeneration must be managed in the manner specified in the Forest Management Plan submitted by the licensee and accepted by the Minister as part of the application for the licence. Such management may require planting trees where natural regeneration has not successfully achieved the required minimum stocking levels. The authority conferred under this licence is to fell no more than the number of trees specified for felling in the Forest Management Plan that has been accepted by the Minister.
Windblow	The clear felling of trees within the boundaries of the relevant forest land parcel or any subset of that land parcel following wind or storm damage. It is a condition attached to this licence and this Harvest Type that the area felled be replanted as specified in Schedule 3 or an alternative area is planted as specified in Schedule 2 when an Alternative Planting Condition is attached to the licence
Open space	The felling of all trees within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel in order, for example, to create an aquatic buffer zone.
Single Trees	The felling of individual or isolated trees within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel. It is a condition attached to this licence and this Harvest Type that replanting within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel is undertaken as specified in Schedule 3 or an alternative area is planted as specified in Schedule 2 when an Alternative Planting Condition is attached to the licence.
Line of Trees	The felling of a line of trees (for example in a hedgerow) within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel. It is a condition attached to this licence and this Harvest Type that replanting within the boundaries of the relevant land parcel is undertaken as specified in Schedule 3 or an alternative area is planted as specified in Schedule 2 when an Alternative Planting Condition is attached to the licence.

FELLING SITE NOTICE

I/We¹ _____
received a licence under section 7 of the Forestry Act 2014 from the **Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine** in respect of tree felling

At this Site²

Townland(s): _____

County: _____

Licence Number³: _____

Harvest Type	Description	Area (ha)
Clearfell	The felling of all trees on an area with replanting afterwards.	
Thinning	The felling of a portion of trees from the canopy to promote growth and greater value in the remaining trees.	
Tending	The felling of undesirable trees in the early stages of forest development to promote growth in the remaining trees.	
Continuous Cover Forestry	The felling of a portion of trees from the canopy to promote the regeneration of young trees.	
Windblow	The felling of trees on a site following wind/storm damage with replanting afterwards.	
Open Space	The felling of trees to create small open areas within the forest, e.g. an aquatic buffer zone.	
		Number of trees
Single Trees	The felling of individual or isolated trees.	
Line of Trees	The felling of a line of trees, e.g. Hedgerow.	

Expected dates of commencement and conclusion of the tree felling⁵

_____ TO _____

Details of the licence may be purchased, at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of doing so, by request in writing (by post or e-mail) from Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford, or by e-mail felling.forests@agriculture.gov.ie

Signed (licensee): _____ 6

Name of Agent (if applicable) _____ 7

Date of Erection of Notice: _____ 8

Directions for completing the Site Notice

1. The **name of the licensee** must be stated.
2. The **location, townland(s) or postal address** to which the licence refers must be stated so as to identify the location of the site in question. Where the development extends to more than one townland, all townlands must be stated.
3. The licence number (on the top right hand corner of Page 1 of the licence must be provided).
4. A description of the **nature and extent of the tree felling** must be stated on the site notice. You must include the following in your development description -
 - (a) Harvest type: clearfell, thinning, wind blow, CCF, etc
 - (b) Extent of felling: number of trees to be felled or area (ha) of the felling site
5. The dates upon which the work will commence and end (approximate dates will suffice) must be provided.
6. The **name of the applicant** must be entered.
7. If an agent was acting on the licensee's behalf details must be entered.
8. The date that the notice is **erected or fixed at the site** must be stated.

Directions for erecting the Site Notice

The Site Notice must be securely erected at the entrance from the public road to the land to which the licence relates or, where no entrance exists, at the point where it is proposed to create an entrance, so as to be **easily visible and legible by persons using the public road, and shall not be obscured or concealed at any time.**

The Site Notice must be clearly legible, affixed on rigid, durable material and secured against damage from bad weather and other causes.

The Site Notice must be erected not less than seven days prior to the commencement of harvesting operations and must be maintained in position **for the entire duration of the works.** The notice must be renewed or replaced if it is removed or becomes defaced or illegible within that period.