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Agri-Climate Rural Environment Scheme (ACRES)
Amendment to Planting a New Hedgerow specification for Tranche 1, Tranche 2 and NPIs
Removal of Irish Provenance and Irish Origin requirement for Whitethorn species

Dear Advisor

On the back of heightened demand for hedgerow plants in recent months, the following amendment has been made to the requirements for the action, Planting a New Hedgerow.

- Participants who select the Whitethorn species, *Crataegus monogyna*, as their chosen hedgerow species, will no longer have to meet the Irish Provenance or Irish Origin requirement when purchasing plants from DAFM registered professional operators.

Please note the removal of the Irish Provenance/Irish Origin requirement relates to Whitethorn species only; it does not encompass the other seven hedgerow species that are listed in the specification documents for the action, Planting a New Hedgerow.

Please also be advised that this amendment applies to the Planting a New Hedgerow specification for ACRES Tranche 1, ACRES Tranche 2 and Non-Productive Investments (NPIs).

Regards
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