

## SCHEDULE

### GOOD AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITION

#### PART II

##### Practices to maintain soil organic matter levels

###### *Standards for crop rotations where applicable*

###### **Arable break crops or the application of organic materials**

- 7.—(1) On arable land cultivated for crop production, a farmer must either—
- (a) use suitable break crops to maintain organic matter in the soil in an arable rotation; or
  - (b) optimise the application of organic materials to land by applying rates of application of the material calculated by reference to the requirements of the soil and crops grown.
- (2) Where a farmer uses the option specified at sub-paragraph (1)(b), the farmer must make and keep for 5 years a written record of the organic materials, and the quantities of those materials, applied to the land.