

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.

Arable stubble management

Incorporation of livestock manures

8. Except on an area of land prone to wind erosion of the soil, a farmer must incorporate livestock manures spread on stubble into the soil within a period of 2 weeks after the date of spreading on a particular area of stubble.