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PART 2

Fertiliser and manure management plan

5.—(1) Before 1st March each year, a fertiliser and manure management plan must be prepared in respect of the farm for that year.

(2) The purpose of the plan is to assess the crop requirement for nitrogen fertiliser for each crop on each field each year and to establish the quantities of livestock manure produced and safe methods of collection, storage and land application.

- (3) A fertiliser and manure management plan must consist of-
 - (a) a risk assessment plan in respect of organic manure;
 - (b) a calculation of the capacity of storage facilities for livestock manure required on the farm; and
 - (c) a calculation of the quantity of nitrogen fertiliser required in relation to each crop on the farm.
- (4) A risk assessment plan must contain a map of the farm, which must clearly show-
 - (a) the delineation of every field;
 - (b) the area of every field in hectares;
 - (c) the location of all surface water, wells and boreholes or similar work sunk into underground strata for the purpose of providing a water supply;
 - (d) any area of land with a slope of 12 degrees or more;
 - (e) the location of any field heaps; and
 - (f) any other area of high risk to the water environment.

(5) No nitrogen fertiliser is to be applied to any crop in any year prior to the calculation under paragraph (3)(c) being completed for that crop and that year.