

CONIFER (productive)

- accessible timber transport
- aimed at SS crop
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 2ha minimum size block in any one year
- Veg Prop, parents of families – extra grant, available if more than YC14
- minimum seed orchard material for SS
- max 20% of NBL can be shrubs
- target area – preferred/potential
- ESC – suitable or very suitable YC 12 +
- PMB can be swapped with Other Conifers

Standard area - £1920 + £208 x 5 yrs = £2960

Target Areas - £2160 + £234 x 5 yrs = £3330

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
SS	65%	75%	2500
OC	10%	15%	2500
NBL	5%	10%	1100
OG	0%	10%	-

(Sheep and trees infrastructure package eligible 50 ha max)

DIVERSE CONIFER (productive)

- accessible timber transport
- aimed at conifer other than SS
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 2ha minimum size block in any calendar year
- must have at least 2 conifer species
- up to 50% of OC can be PMB
- target area – preferred/potential
- YC 8 minimum for SP/Larch
- YC 12 minimum for NS,DF,WRC
- Max 5% SS permitted where required as nurse

Standard area - £2160 + 336 x 5 yrs = £3840

Target Areas - £2430 + £378 x 5 yrs = £4320

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
Main Conifer	40%	75%	2500
Other Conifer	10%	40%	2500
NBL	5%	10%	1100
OG	0%	10%	-

(Sheep and trees infrastructure package eligible 50ha max)

BROADLEAVES (productive)

- accessible timber transport
- aimed at broadleaved woodlands for sawn and prime timber
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 2ha minimum size block in any one year
- max 20% of NBL to be shrubs
- ESC climatically suitable or very suitable
- achieve minimum YC 6
- target area – preferred/potential in LAWS
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Standard area - £2880 + £528 x 5 yrs = £5520

Target Areas - £3240 + £594 x 5 yrs = £6210

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
Broadleaves	75%	90%	3100/2500
NBL	5%	10%	1100
OG	0%	10%	-

Note: OK,Be 3100/ha, Sy,Bi,WC,SC,Pop 2500/ha

NATIVE UPLAND BIRCH

- aimed for NVC W4 (downy birch with purple moor grass, shallow peat)
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 0.25ha minimum size block in any one year
- No more than 75% of one species
- up to 10% native SP
- max 20% of NBL to be shrubs

Standard area - £1840 + £128 x 5 yrs = £2480

Target Areas - £2070 + £144 x 5 yrs = £2790

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
NUB	85%	100%	1600
OG	0%	15%	-

Note: In South Scotland, max 5% SP

NATIVE BROADLEAVES

- aimed at creating NBL priority woodland
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 0.25ha minimum size block
- no more than 75% of single species
- up to 10% native SP in pinewood zone, otherwise max 5%
- max 20% of NBL to be shrubs
- target area – CNPA priority area
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Standard area - £1840 + £272 x 5 yrs = £3200

Target Areas - £2070 + £306 x 5 yrs = £3600

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
NBL	85%	100%	1600
OG	0%	15%	-

Note: In south Scotland , max 5% SP

NATIVE LOW DENSITY BROADLEAVES

- aimed at creating specific native woodland or scrub habitats and ecotones
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 0.25ha minimum size block up to 10ha if stand alone option
- Where mixed with other option max 10% of other options and max 25ha
- max 20% of NBL to be shrubs
- max 5% SP in mix

Standard area - £560 + £96 x 5 yrs = £1040

Target Areas - £630 + £108 x 5 yrs = £1170

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
NBL	50	100%	500
OG	0%	50%	-

SMALL OR FARM

Standard area - £2400 + £400 x 5 yrs = £4400

Target Areas - £2700 + £450 x 5 yrs = £4950

- aimed at creating small scale MB and Conifer woods on farms
- Must not adjoin other options
- up to 10% can be SS for a good reason
- UKFS
- 15m minimum width
- 0.25ha minimum size block up to 5ha
- up to 10ha per business in life of FGS
- max 20% of NBL to be shrubs
- ESC suitable or very suitable
- YC 6 MB, YC8 for Sp and La,

Species	Minimum	Maximum	Stocking
Broadleaves	20%	60%	2500
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NBL	5%	10%	1100
OG	0%	10%	-

This option can be used with other options, provided they do not adjoin

There are a few other Woodland creation options but these are the main ones. As Forest Direct Ltd is based in South Scotland some specific criteria refer to the Cairngorms and Highlands that are not included here.

ESC – ecological site classification,; valuable tool to check suitability of species, predicted Yield class, and impact of climate change to growth rates. Takes into consideration soils, mixtures, fertiliser.

YC – Yield class: a representation of growth rate of the tree, eg. YC12 = 12 ton of timber grows a hectare a year

Guidance changes regularly and you are advised to check on line.