

The Water Resources regulations and helpful links for members:

Control of Agri pollution document:

This is a very useful document to have on hand for regulations that are currently in place and those coming into place in the coming months.

[The Water Resources \(Control of Agricultural Pollution\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2021 Guidance for Farmers and Land Manager \(gov.wales\)](#)

Also find here the frequently asked questions information sheet:

[The Water Resources \(Control of Agricultural Pollution\)\(Wales\) 2021 Regulations Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) \(gov.wales\)](#)

An excel workbook has been created to help farmers fill in all the required information for the legal requirements of the regulations. It is not mandatory to use it, but all the information asked for must be recorded somewhere and be available on an inspection. The workbook does mean you have a computer based version of the workbook which in the long run will save you time and energy and means the things that don't change year on year don't need to be repeatedly written down.

Excel workbook to download:

[Water Resources \(Control of Agricultural Pollution\) \(Wales\) Regulations 2021: farm workbook | GOV.WALES](#)

Farming Connect have been running courses helping farmers to complete the workbook and there is a helpline for those needing help to complete all the information relevant to your farm. Find out more here: [Farming Connect - helping you drive your business forward | Farming Connect \(gov.wales\)](#) or calling them on **03456 000 813**

This regulation is a Legal requirement it is not connected to BPS payments or the new SFS Scheme. It is a prosecutable offence if you do not to recorded the information as stated in the Water Resource (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021 Guidance.

New regulation time table you need to be aware of:

Requirements from the 1st January 2023:

- 2.1 Risk Maps
- 2.2 Controlling the spread of Nitrogen fertiliser
- 2.3 Storage of organic manure
- 2.4 Temporary field heaps
- 2.5 Nitrogen Limits - The individual hectare limit for spreading of organic manure
- 2.6 Import/Export of Manure
- 2.7 Nutrient Management Plans

Requirements from 1 January 2024

- 3.1 Holding Nitrogen Limit 'the 170 limit'
- 3.2 Enhanced Nutrient Management approach

Requirements from 1 August 2024

- 4.1 Closed periods for spreading nitrogen fertiliser (includes slurry and other organic manure)
- 4.2 Storage capacity for Slurry
- 4.3 The storage period