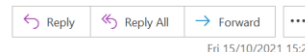


RE: Coillte draft HCV definition for Ireland



Philip O'Dea
To: Vanessa Linforth
Cc: Nicola Brennan



Fri 15/10/2021 15:25

Hi Vanessa

All part of the service here which Nicola will vouch☺

Another colleague, Nicola Wall, sat on the technical group for most of the time, although had to step aside for a few months when she went on maternity leave.

In that intervening time, I stepped in to fill the gap. Nicola is back now and is busy taking part in the final negotiations with all stakeholders in the Standard Development Working Group to finalise this standard.

Kind regards – Philip.

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Cc: Nicola Brennan <nbrennan@soilassociation.org>

Subject: Re: Coillte draft HCV definition for Ireland

Thank you so much for such a speedy response, Philip. Most kind.

I really am appreciative to receive the legislation list, as this saves me loads of work. Thanks very much for sharing the HCV definition too.

I am aware and up to speed with the PEFC standard revision process and am coordinating closely to make sure the FSC standard is appropriately benchmarked. Were/are you on the PEFC standard development group?

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On 15 Oct 2021, at 12:35, Philip O'Dea <Philip.ODea@coillte.ie> wrote:

Hi Venessa

Good to meet you.

As requested, see attached the definition of HCVF and relevant legislation pertinent to Ireland (see below).

This list was recently updated as part of the refresh to the Irish PEFC Standard which is nearing completion and will be forwarded to PEFC shortly.

Hope you find it all in order and if I can be of any further assistance, just let me know.

Regards - Philip

Irish Laws and International Agreements and Protocols Pertinent to Forest Management in Ireland

The following is a list of **current** Irish national laws pertinent to forest management.

NB For guidance only. This list includes, but is not limited to, the laws and regulations pertinent to Irish forestry and is subject to change

Legislation	Potential Impact
<i>Wildlife Acts, 1976 and 1999 Wildlife Amendment Act (2000)</i>	<i>Flora, fauna, environment and forest management</i>
<i>Forestry Acts, 1946, 1956 1988 to 2014</i>	<i>Forest management</i>
<i>Local Government (Planning and Development) Acts, 1963 to 1999</i>	<i>Control of development and forest management</i>
<i>Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2011</i>	<i>Control of development and forest management</i>

<p><i>Commencement (No. 3) Order, (2001) S.I. No. 599 of 2001.</i></p> <p><i>Planning and Development Regulations (2001) S.I. No. 600 of 2001.</i></p>	
<p><i>National Monuments Acts, 1930 to 2004 (Including Approval of Consent (1) Order, 1995)</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management in relation to archaeology</i></p>
<p><i>National Cultural Institutions Act 1997</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management in relation to archaeology</i></p>
<p><i>Occupiers Liability Act, 1995</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management</i></p>
<p><i>Safety Health and Welfare at Work Act 2005.</i></p> <p><i>Safety Health and Welfare at Work - General Application Regulations (2007) and Construction Regulations (2001)</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management both in forest and in office</i></p>
<p><i>Environmental Protection Agency Act, 1992</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management and environment</i></p>
<p><i>Heritage Act, 1995</i></p>	<p><i>Heritage protection</i></p>
<p><i>Environmental Impact Assessment – S.I. No. 100 of 1996</i></p>	
<p><i>European Communities (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Amendment) Regulations, 1996. S.I. No. 101 of 1996.</i></p>	
<p><i>Fisheries Consolidation Act 1959 and all amendments, Fisheries Act 1980 and all subsequent amendments.</i></p> <p><i>S.I. regulation for the Water Framework Directive: S.I. No. 722 of 2003</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management in relation to water and fisheries</i></p>
<p><i>Local Government (Water Pollution) Acts, 1977 to 1990</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management and environment</i></p>
<p><i>European Communities (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Amendment) Regulations, 2001. S.I. No. 538 of 2001.</i></p>	
<p><i>Waste Management Acts, 1996 to 2011</i></p>	<p><i>Forest management and environment</i></p>
<p><i>Local Government (Special Amenity and Conservation Orders) Act, 1976</i></p>	

<i>Litter pollution Acts, 1997 to 2009</i>	<i>Forest management and environment</i>
<i>Occupiers Liability Act 1995</i>	<i>Forest Management</i>
<i>Roads Acts, 1993 to 2007</i>	<i>Haulage</i>
<i>Road Transport Acts, 1932 to 1999</i>	<i>Haulage</i>
<i>Criminal Justice (Corruption Offences) Act, 2018</i>	<i>Corruption</i>
<i>The Employment Equality Act, 1998 to 2011</i>	<i>Equal employment opportunities</i>
<i>S.I. No. 155 of 2012 Sustainable Use of Pesticides Regulations 2012</i>	<i>Pesticide use</i>
<i>S.I. No 39 of 2020 – Forestry Amdmt No 2 Regs</i>	<i>Single Consent System</i>
<i>S.I. No 31 of 2020 - Forestry (Amdmt) Regs 2020 re reg 19</i>	<i>Appropriate Assessment procedures</i>
<i>S.I. No 191 of 2017 - Forestry Regulations 2017</i>	

The following is a list of European (EU) laws pertinent to forest management in Ireland.

Legislation	Potential Impact
<i>Council Directive (92/43/EEC) and amending directives on the conservation of natural habitats of wild fauna and flora</i>	<i>Flora and fauna and forest management</i>
<i>Council Directive (79/409/EEC) and amending directives on the conservation of wild birds</i>	<i>Wild birds and forest management</i>
<i>EU (Conservation of Wild Birds) (Amendment) Regulations 1999</i>	
<i>European Communities (Natural Habitats) Regulations, 1997</i>	
<i>European Communities (Natural Habitats) (Amendment) Regulations, 1998</i>	

<i>Council Directive (2000/60/EC) establishing a framework for community action in the field of water policy</i>	<i>Forest management and the environment</i>
<i>Council Directive (2000/29/EC) on protective measures against the introduction into the Member States of harmful organisms of plants or plant products and against their spread within the Community</i>	<i>Forest protection</i>
<i>Council Directive (1999/105/EC) on the marketing of forest reproductive material</i>	<i>Tree improvement and forest protection</i>
<i>Council Directive (85/337/EEC) and amending directives on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment</i>	<i>Control of development</i>
<i>Environmental Liability Directive (2004/35/EC).</i>	<i>Preventing and Remedying Environmental Damage</i>
<i>EU Water Framework Directive (Directive 2000/60/EC)</i>	<i>Water</i>
<i>Council Regulation (EEC3528/86) on the protection of forests against atmospheric pollution</i>	<i>Environment</i>
<i>EU Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive (Directive 2001/42/EC)</i>	<i>Environment</i>

Information in the above tables was resourced from the following two publications which contain a more detailed analysis of these laws:

- Maguire, B. 2001. A Review of Legislation that Impacts on Irish Forestry. COFORD, Dublin.
- McHugh, D and G. Gallagher. 2004. Trees, Forests and the Law in Ireland. COFORD, Dublin.

The following is a list of international agreements and protocols pertinent to forest management in Ireland:

a. International Labour Organisation - Conventions

- Freedom of Organization
Convention 87 on Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise, 1948
Convention 98 on the Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining, 1949
- Abolition of Forced Labour

Convention 29 on Forced Labour, 1930

Convention 105 on Abolition of Forced Labour, 1957

- Equal Rights / No Discrimination

Convention 100 on Equal Remuneration, 1951

Convention 111 on Discrimination (Employment and Occupation), 1958

- Child Labour

Convention 138 on Minimum Age for Admission to Employment, 1973

- *Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, 1988*

- Indigenous Peoples

Convention 169 on Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, 1989

b. International Agreements

Ireland has signed the following international agreements, among others:

- *the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of 1948, the common standard for the protection of fundamental human rights for all;*
- *the Bern Convention of 1979 for the preservation of Europe's wild animals and native plants and their natural habitats;*
- *the Convention on Biological Diversity of Rio de Janeiro of June 5, 1992, concerning biological diversity;*
- *the Bonn Convention of June 23, 1979, for the preservation of migrating wild animal species;*
- *the Washington Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) of March 3, 1973, concerning the international trade in endangered species of wild animals and plants.*
- *the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, 1971 - an intergovernmental treaty which provides the framework for national action and international cooperation for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources. There are 45 Ramsar sites in Ireland.*
- *the Kyoto Protocol, negotiated by more than 160 nations in December 1997, aims to reduce net emissions of certain greenhouse gases (primarily carbon dioxide (CO₂)).*
- *the International Tropical Timber Agreement of 1994 which seeks to improve the international market conditions for sustainably grown tropical timber.*
- *the Helsinki Protocols resulting from the Ministerial Conference for Protection of Forests in Europe, 1994.*
- *the Lisbon Protocols resulting from the Ministerial Conference for Protection of Forests in Europe, 1998.*
- *The Vienna Protocols resulting from the Ministerial Conference for Protection of Forests in Europe, 2002.*
- *The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in 1992.*
- *Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, Paris, 1972*
- *the Aarhus Convention*
- *The European Landscape Convention, 2000.*

- *The European Convention on the Protection of Archaeological Heritage*
- *The EU Action Plan on Forest Law, Governance and Trade, 2003*

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Cc: Philip O'Dea <Philip.ODea@coillte.ie>

Subject: Re: Coillte draft HCV definition for Ireland

Hi Philip,

Great to meet you.

I worked for Soil Association from 2001-2012, and often audited Coillte. Then I went to FSC International HQ in Bonn and now I am independent.

I read that the Coillte draft HCV definition is the only one in existence to date, and I would be most interested to integrate it into the National HCV framework that will be drafted as part of the IGI adaptation of the new P&C. Could you please send me a copy if you are happy for this to go ahead.

Also, do you have an up to date list of the applicable legislation for Irish FSC FM certificate holders? It would be a fantastic help to use your list as a baseline for consultation instead of starting to reinvent the wheel from scratch.

Hope you don't mind me asking.

Thanks very much indeed,

Vanessa.

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On 15 Oct 2021, at 11:48, Nicola Brennan <nbrennan@soilassociation.org> wrote:

Hi Phillip,

Introducing you to Vanessa Linforth, an external consultant who will be working on developing the FSC Generic Forest Stewardship Standard (GFSS) for Ireland with Soil Association over the coming months.

Could you please share the latest 'Coillte draft HCV definition for Ireland' with us to use within the development?

Many thanks,

Nicola

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