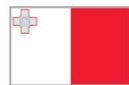


Rural Development Programme for Malta 2014 – 2020

**Proposal for the introduction of M22 (Exceptional
Temporary Measure - Ukraine invasion)**

**Eighth EAFRD Monitoring Committee
9th March 2023**



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Part 1 (Regulatory)

Introduction of Measure 22- ‘Exceptional temporary support to farmers and SMEs particularly affected by the impact of Russia’s invasion of Ukraine’ under the RDP 14-20

Legal Basis

Article 39c of Regulation (EU) **1305/2013** of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 (as amended).

Support under this measure shall **provide emergency assistance to farmers and SMEs particularly affected by the impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine**, aiming at ensuring continuity of their business activity.

Member States shall target the support to beneficiaries who are most affected by the impact of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, by determining, on the basis of available evidence, eligibility conditions and, where considered appropriate by the Member State concerned, selection criteria, which shall be objective and non-discriminatory. The support provided by the Member States shall contribute to food security or address market imbalances **and shall support farmers or SMEs engaging in one or more of the following activities pursuing those goals:**

(a) circular economy;

(b) nutrient management;

(c) efficient use of resources;

(d) environmental and climate friendly production methods.

The support shall take the form of a **lump sum payment** to be paid by 15 October 2023, **based on applications for support approved by the competent authority by 31 March 2023.**

The maximum amount of support **shall not exceed €15,000 per farmer.**

The budget allocated to this measure cannot exceed €2.8m. This budget is being transferred from realised savings under Measure 6.4 – ‘Support for investments in creation and development of non-agricultural activities’.

Part 2 (Technical Proposal)

Eligibility Criteria

- Bovine, caprine and ovine producers that are registered in the National Livestock Database as such with the VRD.
- For bovine and ovine: these must be farmers that applied and were eligible for payment for VCS claim year 2022. Farmers must remain with active production during claim year 2023.
- For caprine: Farmers that as at 31 December 2022 had registered in the National Livestock Database at least 20 female animals of at least 1 year of age. Farmers must remain with active production in year 2023.
- Furthermore, this sub-measure is intended to provide support to forage-dependent livestock sectors covered by Voluntary Coupled Support Mechanisms, namely Dairy Production, Beef Production, and Sheep, with the addition of Goat rearing provided that they have suffered similar conditions to the sheep sector.

Eligibility Criteria (cont.)

- In line with Para 3(d) of article 39(c) of Regulation 1305/2013, to be eligible for funds under this scheme bovine farmers must store manure in a leak-proof, covered storage clamp which is connected to a cesspit, which cesspits shall be leak-proof, covered and shall be of sufficient capacity to collect all urine and washings for at least fifteen days.
- In line with Para 3(d) of article 39(c) of Regulation 1305/2013, to be eligible for funds under this scheme caprine and ovine farmers must either store manure in a leak-proof, covered storage clamp which is connected to a cesspit, which cesspits shall be leak-proof, covered and shall be of sufficient capacity to collect all urine and washings for at least fifteen days; or where a deep litter system has been adopted those parts of the farm where the animals are kept are suitably covered at all times.

Compensation (Part 1)

Dairy heads	VCS eligible	Lump payment	sum
0-10		€4,347	
11-20		€10,142	
21-30		€15,000	
31-40		€15,000	
41-50		€15,000	
51-60		€15,000	
61-70		€15,000	
71-80		€15,000	
81-90		€15,000	
91-100		€15,000	
100+		€15,000	

Beef heads	VCS eligible	Lump payment	sum
0-10		€775	
11-20		€1,809	
21-30		€2,843	
31-40		€3,876	
41-50		€4,910	
51-60		€5,944	
61-70		€6,977	
71-80		€8,011	
81-90		€9,045	
91-100		€10,078	
100+		€15,000	

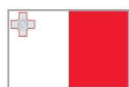
Compensation (Part 2)

Sheep eligible Heads	VCS	Lump sum payment
20-30		€2,533
31-40		€3,454
41-50		€4,376
51-60		€5,297
61-70		€6,218
71-80		€7,139
81-90		€8,060
91-100		€8,981
101+		€13,818

Goats heads 31.12.2022	eligible as at	Lump sum payment
20-30		€2,533
31-40		€3,454
41-50		€4,376
51-60		€5,297
61-70		€6,218
71-80		€7,139
81-90		€8,060
91-100		€8,981
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