

Newsletter

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NEWS, AGRI ADVICE AND PROMOTIONS



Why reseeding in the spring is recommended

Grow more Grass: Research in Teagasc Moorepark has shown that your old permanent pasture typically produces 3 tonne/ha less than 100% PRG. The main difference is in spring (before mid-May), when it is most needed. Swards with a low content of Perennial Ryegrass (PRG) are reducing your profit by €300/ha (€120/acre) due to reduced dry matter (DM) production alone.

Improved Grass Quality (DMD): Low PRG swards are of lower quality (DMD) compared to new reseeded. Combined with correct grassland management new reseeded will deliver higher grass DMD during the grazing season with trials delivering 8% higher milk output per hectare compared to old permanent pasture.

Improved Fertiliser Response: Old permanent pasture is inefficient i.e. you are losing 25% of the response to your Nitrogen fertiliser applications. On top of this, your old pastures have reduced digestibility and intake potential.

Why the spring is recommended: Reseeding in spring is much more reliable with a wider window for sowing and post emergence herbicide sprays (vital for dock control) plus improved clover establishment. The time that a sward is out of production can be limited to two to three months. Trials from Moorepark clearly show that even when a sward is out of production for this length of time, their annual DM production can be similar or even greater than old permanent pasture accessible for the entire year.

Reseeding Best Practice

To ensure successful establishment the following reseeding best practise guide is strongly recommended.

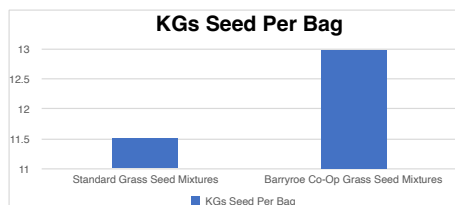
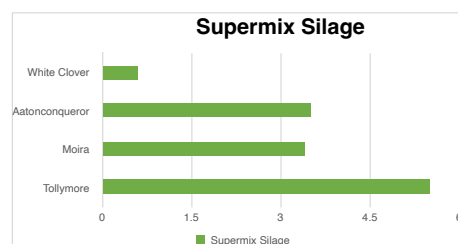
1. Take a representative soil sample and send for analysis. If ploughing, wait until after ploughing to soil sample.
2. Spray off the old pasture with 4L per ha Glyphosate e.g. Gallup. Allow 7 - 10 days after spraying before cultivating.
3. Prepare a fine, firm seedbed and apply Lime, Phosphate and Potash as per soil test results.
4. Select the most suitable Barryroe grass seed mixture for your situation i.e. the very best varieties available (N.B.) as this mixture is likely to be in the ground for 10 years or more.
5. Sow 10 bags of grass seed for every nine acres to be sown in good conditions.

6. Increase the seed rate in poor conditions. Ideally cover seeds and roll well to ensure good contact between the seed and the soil.
7. Apply 60 Kg/ha (48 units/Ac) of nitrogen at or after sowing.
8. Monitor closely for pest attack and act where necessary. Slugs, Leatherjackets, Frit Fly and Rabbits are the main threat.
9. Post emergence weed control is essential particularly to control docks and thistles. Normally apply herbicide five-six weeks after sowing. Where clover is important use ProClova or Clovermax as it is safe on clover.
10. Regular light grazing when conditions are good are recommended to encourage the development of the new sward while avoiding poaching.

Barryroe Co-op Quality Grass Seed Mixtures 2025

- All perennial ryegrass varieties from 2026 Irish (DAFM) recommended list-PROVEN TO PERFORM BETTER UNDER IRISH CONDITIONS (versus varieties not on the list).
- Clover included to meet 2026 Derogation requirements.
- 13Kg inclusion (10% more than the majority of other mixtures)

Supermix Silage: A mixture designed specifically for silage (two or more cuts) with strong spring growth for high first cut yields, red clover (better suited than white clover to an intensive cutting system) and durable varieties to ensure a long-lasting sward.



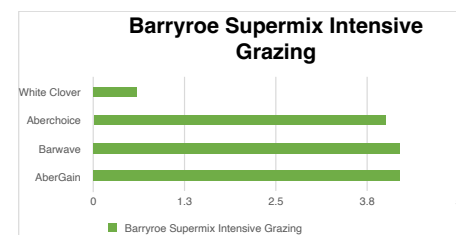
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MILK SUPPLY AND PRICE

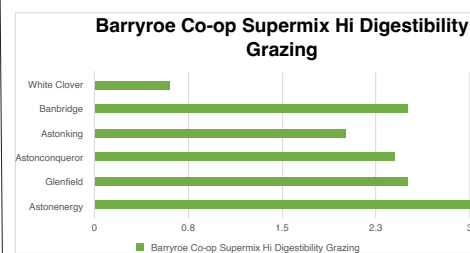
March milk supply amounted to 9,752,335 litres which was a 1% increase on March 2025. This month, the Co-op has increased its base price by 3c/L. The Carbery market support of 2.5 c/L paid for January and February milk has ceased, but Carbery has now commenced paying 1.5 c/L from its Stability fund. The combined effect of these changes in a 2 c/L increase over February.

The SCC bonus rate reverts to 0.5 c/L for the summer months, bringing the Co-op's base price, including the Stability fund contribution, to 39.45 C/L for March milk. Barryroe is paying €7.0272 per kg of protein and €4.6848 per kg of butterfat. Our average constituents for the month are 3.34% protein 4.42% butterfat and our average price paid is 43.81 c/L, including 0.5 SCC bonus and VAT @4.5%.

Supermix Intensive Grazing: Contains 68% tetraploid to deliver top quality grass to drive liveweight gain/milk solids but also delivers balanced seasonal growth.



Supermix Hi Digestibility Grazing: Supermix Hi Digestibility Grazing: Ideal for one cut silage and grazing systems with good spring growth and quality. Easily grazed swards with excellent clean outs.



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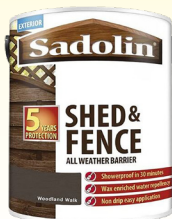


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Kinsale Community College 6th year class visit to McCarthy's farm, Old Head of Kinsale

NATIONAL JOHNE'S MONITORING SCHEME (NJMS)

The NJMS provides funding to bring herds with increased likelihood of JD infection into the Irish Johne's Control Programme (IJCP).

WHAT IS JOHNE'S DISEASE: It's caused by *Mycobacterium paratuberculosis* (MAP) bacteria, is a chronic, incurable condition of cattle. Herds infected with JD can have reduced milk production and higher rates of mastitis, infertility and lameness, even before the severe signs of disease in individual animals become apparent.

Individual cattle with infection can show severe weight loss and diarrhoea, leading to death. Cattle are usually infected as calves by ingesting Johne's bacteria (MAP) in their immediate environment or from contaminated colostrum or whole milk. The bacteria are shed in dung from infected animals, especially adult cattle, to contaminate bedding and udders and teats. Calves may also become infected before birth. Key actions to controlling infection are to identify high-risk animals for isolation and removal, and hygienic conditions for calving and calf-rearing. The key to preventing infection is to maintain a fully closed herd.

WHAT IS THE SCHEME: The NJMS provides funding to eligible herds with an increased likelihood of JD infection. Eligible herds are those that have had two positive bulk tank milk tests within a two-year period.

Funding provided by the NJMS is contributed jointly by DAFM and co-ops. The funding provided by the NJMS will be available over a four-year period, allocated to a herd on an annual basis. The funding will allow a herd to carry out Johne's control activities through application of the well-established Irish Johne's Control programme (IJCP). Working within the IJCP means a herdowner can develop the skills and knowledge to work alongside their vet to apply measures to reduce the impact of JD on their farm.

WHAT IS INVOLVED: To receive funding as part of the NJMS, registered herds will be required to complete a Whole Herd Test (WHT), where all animals in the herd two years old and above will receive an ELISA milk or blood test. Any positive ELISA results in herds where JD has not been previously disclosed will be followed up by ancillary testing, carried out by a vet. Any herd availing



of NJMS funding will also be required to complete and submit a JD risk assessment with their appointed vet.

This distribution of NJMS places will be administered by Animal Health Ireland (AHI). The NJMS is an ambitious scheme devised and implemented in consultation and collaboration between all members of the Johne's Disease Implementation Group (JDIG). Refer to the Animal Health Ireland website: www.animalhealthireland.ie/johnes for more information.

Barryroe Co-op Young Calf Feed Range

Feed Name	Protein %	Age	Raw Key Features	Main Benefits
Barryroe Co-op Calf Krunch	18%	0-6 mths	High molasses, high-spec minerals, Actisaf, double rumen buffer	Supports early growth, improves rumen health, reduces risk of summer scour
Greenvale Coarse Calf Muesli	18%	0-6 mths	Cooked ingredients (barley, maize, full-fat soya) ingredients (barley, maize, full-fat soya)	Smooth transition from milk to feed, boosts microbial development, helps prevent nutritional scour
Calf Grower Elite	19%	3 mths +	High energy nut, added yeast, high vitamins (A, D, E) & minerals, Panetec, Rumen Proof buffer.	Promotes growth, supports rumen development, reduces the risk of summer scour.
Heifer Elite	17%	6 mths +	High phosphorus, vitamins, Panetec, Rumen Proof buffer.	Encourages steady growth, supports breeding targets, prevents excess fat, ideal for all animals once transition to grass is complete.

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