

# Farmgate Veterinary Group



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## BEEP – S Scheme

Suckler farmers

A new BEEP S Scheme is open for registration up until May 15<sup>th</sup> 2020. Participants will receive €90 per cow for the first 10 cows and €80 per cow thereafter.

The initial €40/50 is for weighing cows and calves pre weaning and submitting the weights to ICBF. €30 is for meal feeding pre and post weaning or pneumonia vaccination pre weaning. €10 is for a pooled faecal sample from 10 cows for fluke.

Looking at the breakdown of cost and benefit to you I have compiled this table

Herd size	20 cows	25 cows	30 cows	35 cows
Grant €	€1700	€2100	€2500	€2900
Weighing cost	€85	€95	€105	€115
Meal cost* (Option A)	€243.60	€304.50	€365.40	€426.30
Vaccination cost** (Option B)	€160	€200	€240	€280
Faecal sample cost	€20	€20	€20	€20
Total costs Option A	€348.60	€419.50	€490.40	€561.30
Total costs Option B	€265	€315	€365	€415
Net grant Option A €	€1351.40	€1680.50	€2009.60	€2338.70
Net grant Option B €	€1435	€1785	€2135	€2485

- \* 1 kg/day for 42 days (minimum requirement)
- \*\* Intranasal RSV vaccine plus IBR administered by vet

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Many of you may be reluctant to enter the scheme as you don't have scales, don't want the hassle of submitting weights to ICBF, don't want to keep meal receipts or the work of vaccinating calves or taking dung samples.

The scheme is a source of valuable funding to suckler farms in the current times and we have decided to offer a solution to farmers wishing to avail of this funding. In summer /autumn (pre weaning) all of these tasks can be completed on the same day by our team of vets for the cost outlined above. We can upload the weights, administer the vaccines and get the faecal samples tested with no hassle to you the farmer. All you would need to do is to have the cows and calves in the crush.

If you are interested or require further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Remember applications must be made to the Department by 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Don't miss the opportunity to get this grant.

Regards,

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