

Coillte's Excision Policy

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For sales and leases of land.

Coillte, as a forestry and land based businesses company, undertakes land acquisitions and disposals (including excision of lands from the certified estate) as part of its everyday business. Coillte's land sales/leases constitute a small portion (annually and cumulatively) of the Business Area Units (BAUs) in which they are located.

Our policy on such land sales/leases is:

For each land sale/lease, an assessment shall be undertaken of the values of each site to the company and likely impacts on environmental and social receptors anticipated, prior to any decision to sell or lease.

In addition, sites identified as being of High Conservation Value (HCV) will not be sold or leased :-

Without Coillte making reasonable effort to safeguard the values and/or the area containing the values, including making the buyer aware of the values and measures to protect them;

or

Unless it is a circumstance that is beyond Coillte's control e.g. Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO). In such instances, however, we will make known the high conservation value/s to the purchaser.

All areas sold or leased shall be excluded from the scope of Coillte's forest certification certificates.

Timber subsequently sold from these areas is not certified under Coillte's forest certification certificates.

A register of areas sold and leased shall be maintained and shall be posted on Coillte's public website. This register will be updated on an annual basis.