

Solway Barnacle Goose Management Scheme – Eligibility Table

Agricultural land which lies within areas of high goose use and supports a suitable crop as follows:

Zone	Eligibility criteria
	Goose use
Feeding zone	>2,100 goose days/ha*
Buffer zone	700 – 2,100 goose days/ha
	Crop
Feeding zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Productive grassland • 1st or 2nd year chicory/grass mix • Stubbles undersown with a either sacrificial grass crop, or where fields are undersown with a long-term grass crop • Must have > 50% productive grass or clover cover in goose season • 1st year reseeds/sacrificial grass crop must be established in spring/early summer to achieve the 50% cover of productive grass
Buffer zone	Grass, stubble, rape, 3 rd year chicory/grass mix or cereals
	Other
Feeding zone	Land under some of the Agri Environment Climate Scheme may not be eligible for feeding zone payment. Check should be made with scheme staff.
Buffer zone	Where feeding zone requires some protection from noisy disturbance

* Goose use is calculated from the 10-year rolling mean goose use of each field