

AGRICULTURE **SOIL PREPARATION**



Use this data sheet as you survey the planting area. Tick the relevant points under each heading.

Plants to be established

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Previous planting

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Soil type

Sand

Medium loam

Silty loam

Sandy loam

Clay loam

Silty clay loam

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Sandy clay loam

Clay

Other

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Acid ☐ Neutral ☐ Alkali ☐

Topography

Sloping

Level

North facing

South facing

Soil less than 30cm deep

Soil more than 30cm deep

Other

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Ground condition

Wet

Dry

Moist

Stony

Fine crumb structure

Other

Crop cover

Fallow

Previous crop remains present

Overgrown with weeds

Other

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Risks

Risk of polluting nearby water course

Risk of soil erosion

Risk of spray drift into hedgerow

Risk of soil compaction

Other risk

Part of nitrate sensitive area

Part of an environmentally sensitive area

Part of a soil management initiative area

Other

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Notes

Record here your chosen sequence, the reason why each task is needed and the effect on the soil of performing that activity.

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