

Woodco Renewable Energy - Update on Support Scheme for Renewable Heat for non-domestic heating systems in Ireland

Sources:

Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment Press Release, published 7th December 2017.

"Renewable Heat Incentive – closer than ever before." IrBEA Press Release, published 7th December 2017.

Woodco has attended a number of Stakeholder events which had speakers from DCCAE and SEAI.

€330 million has been allocated under National Development Plan to the SSRH. **€7 million has been set aside in Budget 2018 to launch the scheme** this year. Mr. Ray Langton of SEAI confirmed that it is fully intended to launch the SSRH this year and to use in full the €7 million allocated budget.

EU state Aid approval has not yet been applied for. One of the key sticking points is the 'grandfathering' rule and this must be ironed out before an application for EU State Aid can be submitted. The application will then take around 6 months to review.

Once the scheme is launched, it will remain **open to applicants for 3 years**. The scheme will then close, and **only those who applied and were awarded SSRH approval in that 3 year window will earn SSRH income for the 15 year period**.

The scheme will be managed by SEAI and the Terms & Conditions for applications is currently being finalised. Energy saving measures and use of models (e.g. EXEED) will be included in the approval process for applicants.

What are the tariffs?

The scheme will pay a set amount per kWh of heat produced, on a tiered basis.

Tariffs for Support Scheme for Renewable Heat.

Tier	Lower Limit (MWh/yr)	Upper Limit (MWh/yr)	Biomass Heating Systems Tariff (c/kWh)	Anaerobic Digestion Heating Systems (c/kWh)
1	0	300	5.66	2.95
2	300	1,000	3.02	2.95
3	1,000	2,400	0.50	0.50
4	2,400	10,000	0.50	0.00
5	10,000	50,000	0.37	0.00
6	50,000	N/A	0.00	0.00

Payments will be made quarterly, over 15 years.

Outlined below are annual payments that could be expected, depending on the boiler output and the number of running hours per year.

Support Scheme for Renewable Heat payments per year.

Boiler Output (kW)

% Running Time	Running Hours	200	500	1000	2500	3000
10%	876	€ 9,916.32	€ 21,147.60	€ 34,375.20	€ 44,070.00	€ 46,260.00
15%	1314	€ 14,874.48	€ 27,761.40	€ 39,690.00	€ 49,545.00	€ 52,830.00
20%	1752	€ 18,502.08	€ 34,375.20	€ 41,880.00	€ 55,020.00	€ 59,400.00
25%	2190	€ 21,147.60	€ 38,595.00	€ 44,070.00	€ 60,495.00	€ 65,970.00
30%	2628	€ 23,793.12	€ 39,690.00	€ 46,260.00	€ 65,970.00	€ 72,540.00
35%	3066	€ 26,438.64	€ 40,785.00	€ 48,450.00	€ 71,445.00	€ 79,110.00
40%	3504	€ 29,084.16	€ 41,880.00	€ 50,640.00	€ 76,920.00	€ 85,014.40
45%	3942	€ 31,729.68	€ 42,975.00	€ 52,830.00	€ 82,395.00	€ 89,876.20
50%	4380	€ 34,375.20	€ 44,070.00	€ 55,020.00	€ 86,635.00	€ 94,738.00
55%	4818	€ 37,020.72	€ 45,165.00	€ 57,210.00	€ 90,686.50	€ 99,599.80
60%	5256	€ 38,376.00	€ 46,260.00	€ 59,400.00	€ 94,738.00	€ 104,461.60
65%	5694	€ 38,814.00	€ 47,355.00	€ 61,590.00	€ 98,789.50	€ 109,323.40
70%	6132	€ 39,252.00	€ 48,450.00	€ 63,780.00	€ 102,841.00	€ 114,185.20
75%	6570	€ 39,690.00	€ 49,545.00	€ 65,970.00	€ 106,892.50	€ 119,047.00
80%	7008	€ 40,128.00	€ 50,640.00	€ 68,160.00	€ 110,944.00	€ 123,908.80
85%	7446	€ 40,566.00	€ 51,735.00	€ 70,350.00	€ 114,995.50	€ 128,770.60
90%	7884	€ 41,004.00	€ 52,830.00	€ 72,540.00	€ 119,047.00	€ 133,632.40
95%	8322	€ 41,442.00	€ 53,925.00	€ 74,730.00	€ 123,098.50	€ 138,494.20
100%	8760	€ 41,880.00	€ 55,020.00	€ 76,920.00	€ 127,150.00	€ 143,356.00

The Scheme is designed to ensure that air quality impacts will be addressed to support sustainable biomass use in installations, using best available technology and emission abatement.

Woodco Energy designs, manufactures and supplies some of the most advanced Biomass Boiler technologies on the market today.

As rules on **grandfathering** have not yet been clarified, so one cannot yet install a boiler with certainty that it will be eligible for the Support Scheme once it comes into effect next year. However, you can start planning now – contact us for site surveys, quotations etc., so that you can be ready to get your boiler installed and your Support Scheme application processed immediately, come July/August of next year. Our team would be happy to help.

Contact us at info@woodco-energy.com or visit our website, www.woodco-energy.com.

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