

# OUT-OF-SEASON BONUS SCHEME 2025-2026

Criteria for the 2025-2026 Out-of-Season bonus scheme are as follows:



	November	December	January	February
<b>Target(% of May Supply)</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Payment Out of Season</b> <small>including VAT</small>	<b>2c/litre + 3c/litre*</b>	<b>6c/litre</b>	<b>5c/litre</b>	<b>5c/litre</b>
<b>Early Calving Bonus (Unconditional)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1c/litre</b>	<b>2c/litre</b>
<b>Total Payment Achievable</b>	<b>5c/litre</b>	<b>6c/litre</b>	<b>6c/litre</b>	<b>7c/litre</b>
<b>SCCMax</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>	<b>300,000</b>
<b>TBCMax</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>
<b>Lactose % Minimum</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>	<b>4.4%</b>

**\*If all four Out Of Season Payments are achieved, a Top-Up payment of 3c/litre will be paid on all November litres. This will be paid along with your February Milk Payment in mid-March.**

## Other quality criteria and conditions include:



**NO ADDED WATER OR ANTIBIOTICS**



**A MINIMUM COLLECTION OF 250 LITRES**



**NO UNSCHEDULED COLLECTIONS, CARRYING OR HOLDING MILK FROM ONE MONTH TO THE NEXT**  
**A SIGNED MILK SUPPLY AGREEMENT MUST ALSO BE IN PLACE TO QUALIFY FOR THE 2025-2026 OUT OF SEASON SCHEME.**



**From 1st January 2026, bonus payments will be adjusted for solids at 3.6% Butterfat and 3.3% Protein. The payment will vary as normal if milk is supplied at higher or lower composition than these base values of 3.6% and 3.3%.**