

# Nitrate Mitigation Checklist

This checklist must be completed and provided in relation to any planning application for a net increase in dwellings or providing additional overnight accommodation. It sets out how an avoidance and mitigation package will be provided to remove any likely significant effect on a European Site.

All relevant boxes should be completed and the form must be signed. If signed by an agent, it is their responsibility to ensure that the applicant is aware of the commitment to providing a mitigation package.

## Background

There is existing evidence of high levels of nitrogen in the water environment with evidence of eutrophication at some designated sites. As such, there is considered to be a likely significant effect from residential (and similar) developments located within the New Forest National Park. As a result, an avoidance and mitigation package will be needed in order for the Authority to lawfully grant planning permission for such development. The Authority will be publishing a Nutrient Neutrality Position Statement which will provide further details on this.

In order for the development to comply with the requirements of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations and for the Authority to lawfully be able to grant planning permission for such development, it will be necessary to impose a grampian condition requiring the provision of an avoidance and mitigation package prior to the occupation of the development.

**It would be the applicant's risk as to whether to proceed with any development that is granted planning permission without the knowledge of the precise scale of the avoidance and mitigation package.**

Application Details	
Site Name:	
Site Address:	
Please select <b>one</b> of the following options:	
I hereby confirm that the proposed development will include an avoidance and mitigation package and confirm that I am content that a grampian condition is used to secure this prior to occupation.	
The proposed development would be 'nitrogen neutral'. A nitrogen budget is attached to this checklist (this option is particularly applicable to developments proposed on agricultural land)	
The proposed development is not nitrogen neutral and no avoidance or mitigation package is proposed (please note that planning permission could not lawfully be granted in these circumstances).	

Please select one of the following options to the right, then complete all boxes below	Signed by applicant		Signed by agent	
If an agent is signing on behalf of an applicant, it is the agent's responsibility to seek the agreement of the applicant to the commitments selected above as it will be the applicants who assumes the risk and responsibility upon the granting of any planning permission.				
Signed:				
Print name:				
Date:				