



Feed-in Tariffs - eligibility for Hydropower projects

It is necessary for new hydro projects up to 5MW capacity to have the following accreditation and certification in order to be eligible for FITs.

Up to 50kW project capacity

Installations applying for the scheme which have a capacity of 50kW or less are required to use Microgeneration Certification Scheme (MCS) eligible products installed by an MCS accredited installer.

While the certification process is being organised and certification bodies appointed and assessed, "Transition Arrangements" will be put in place.

The MCS transition arrangements for **hydro products** are now available on the microgeneration certification website: www.microgenerationcertification.org. BHA believes that the list of products on this website does not indicate products from other suppliers who have indicated an interest in being certified under the transitional arrangements.

Gemserv, the MCS Licensee, will be contacting all Clear Skies hydro products manufacturers to apply for transition status for their products. It is not limited to products on the Clear Skies list.

Entry to the list closes on 30th June 2010 and BHA urges all potential suppliers of hydro generation equipment up to 50kW to contact Gemserv immediately – mcs@gemserv.com.

Transition arrangements for micro **hydro installers** will be posted on the website shortly. Again BHA urges all potential installers of hydro generation equipment up to 50kW to contact Gemserv immediately – mcs@gemserv.com

Upon completion of this process, generators will then be required to contact a FIT Supplier with their MCS installation details.

From 50kW to 5MW project capacity

To apply for the FIT scheme, installations that are between 50kW and 5MW generators will need to apply for accreditation through the ROO-FIT process via Ofgem's [Renewable and CHP Register](#).

Further guidance on the ROO-FIT process is available in the [RO: Guidance for Generators](#).

Upon completion of this process, generators will then be required to contact a FIT Supplier with their ROO-FIT details.

Further details and confirmation of some of the above can be found on the Ofgem website at: <http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/sustainability/environment/fits/Pages/fits.aspx>

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