

# Agricultural Law Update



**Date:** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2010  
**Time:** 2.00pm - 5.15pm  
**CPD:** 3 hours  
**Venue:** Exeter Racecourse, Exeter

## Speaker: Geoff Whittaker

There's never a dull moment! Whether it is EU or national legislation, a court judgement or simply changes in process imposed by the authorities, there is always something happening which affects farmers and rural business. It is imperative to keep up to speed. This seminar aims to do just that for those with some experience of the subject.

The workings of the Single Payment Scheme changed in 2009 and further changes are applied from 2010, with new cross compliance and agri-environmental issues to concern rural landowners. The course notes will contain precedent materials will be discussed for dealings with land with or without SPS entitlements and/or milk quota.

New rules on sheep and goat identification and records and the new Uplands Entry Level Scheme have radically changed the lives of hill farmers. We will look at the new provisions and their impact.

There have been regulatory and case law changes to agricultural tenancies recently and we review the impact of those changes. The seminar also discusses some politico-legal issues, such as water resource management and nitrate pollution control, which are in the air and which require rural land users to prepare for changes around the corner.

A dedicated section will review some recent case law impacting on the countryside and rural business which practitioners need to know.



*Geoff Whittaker has been the Consultant and Adviser to the Agricultural Law Association since 2002, prior to which he spent more than 20 years in practice as a solicitor in various branches of property law, a good many of them advising farmers and landowners. He is a regular speaker on rural law and edits Farm Law, a monthly technical journal. He is also a member of the Presidency Council of the European Council for Rural Law.*

### Fees

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**Trainees: £51.25 + VAT (£60.22 inc VAT)**

### Feedback from Geoff Whittaker's previous seminars:

- An engaging seminar, pitched at just the right level. A very good introduction.
- Very knowledgeable.
- Good content. Covered various essential topics for Agricultural Lawyers. Useful notes for reference.
- Excellent speaker – Very knowledgeable & clear presentation

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