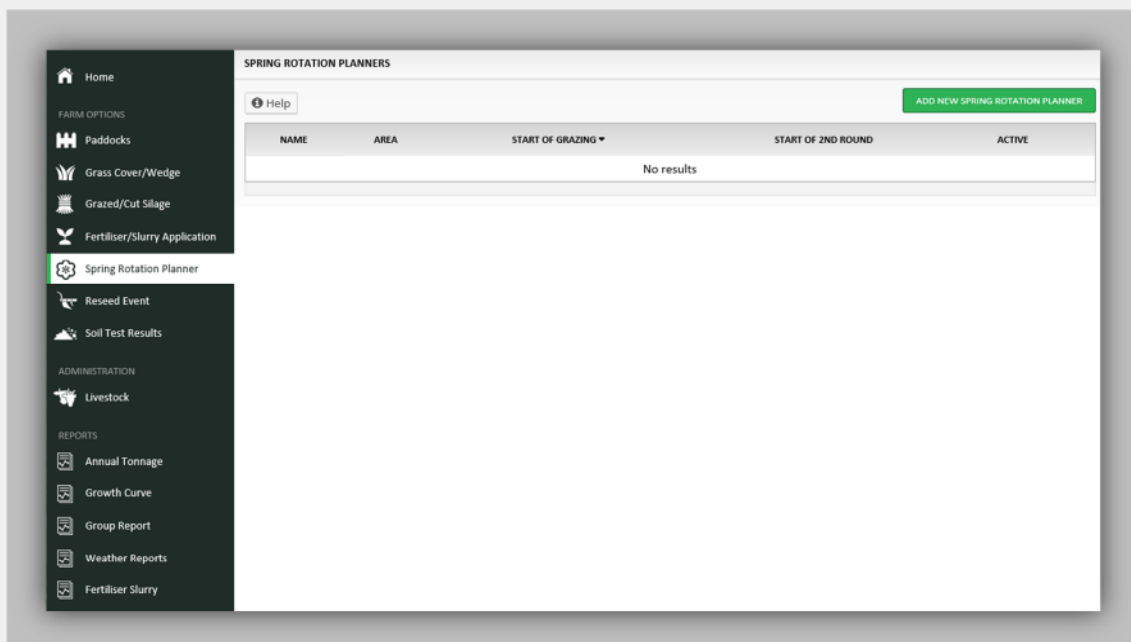


## How do I create a Spring Rotation Planner?

The first task is to add your paddocks to the application. For this all you require is a paddock code and the area of each paddock in hectares. Click on 'Paddocks' on the left hand menu.

Once you have created your farm on the application, now you are ready to add a spring rotation planner. Click on '**Spring Rotation Planner**' on the left hand menu. See below.

### Spring Rotation Planner landing page




Now click on the green button '**Add New Spring Rotation Planner**' on the top right of the screen.

This action will open the following pop up box;

Create a new Spring Rotation Planner - pop up box

Create New Spring Rotation Planner

Spring Plan Name *	<input type="text" value="Spring Plan 2016"/>	Farm Area (Ha) *	<input type="text" value="9"/> 
Start of Grazing *	<input type="text"/>	Start of 2nd Round *	<input type="text"/>

Enter notes here

CANCELSAVE

The **'Spring Plan Name'** is automatically filled in, but can be edited if you wish

The **'Farm Area (ha)'** is the sum of the areas of all paddocks saved to your farm. This is the area that is available to graze in the first rotation.

Depending on the farm, all paddocks that are saved in the application may not be available for grazing in the first rotation.

Take for example, a paddock that young stock were out wintered on forage crops, or perhaps a paddock that has become flooded over the winter period and is very wet as a result.

You can only decrease the area available for grazing in this screen. To do this, click on the icon to the right of **'Farm Area (ha)'** and you can exclude paddocks and remember to save the changes at the bottom.

## 'Start of Grazing' and 'Start of 2nd Round' dates

'Start of Grazing' and 'Start of 2<sup>nd</sup> Round' dates will vary from farm to farm. The major factors influencing these dates are; soil type and location.

Dry free draining soil, stock can be left out in late January – early February as ground conditions will be good for grazing, but if soil type is heavy then a later turnout date is required.

**Table 1 Guidelines on 'Start of Grazing' and 'Start of 2<sup>nd</sup> Round' dates**

### Location - South

Start Grazing	Start of 2nd Round	Range
25-Jan	03-Apr	01/04 - 06/04
01-Feb	06-Apr	03/04 - 09/04
15-Feb	09-Apr	07/04 - 11/04
01-Mar	13-Apr	11/04 - 15/04
15-Mar	20-Apr	18/04 - 22/04

### Location – North

01-Feb	04-Apr	01/04 - 08/04
15-Feb	10-Apr	07/04 - 13/04
01-Mar	15-Apr	13/04 - 17/04
15-Mar	20-Apr	18/04 - 22/04

When all details are filled in, select '**Save**'.

At this stage you have created a Spring Rotation Planner.