

Fruit & Vegetable Production

QQI Level 5 Component Award - 15 Credits

- **Course Location:** Teagasc Kildalton College, Piltown, Co Kilkenny, E32 YW08.
- **Aim of this module:** The aim of this module is to equip the learner with the knowledge, skill and competence to grow and manage a wide range of fruit and vegetables across all seasons. This course will lead to a minor award at NFQ Level 5 in Fruit and Vegetable Production (5N2552).
- **Who should apply?** This course is designed for anyone who wants to deepen their knowledge of the production of fruit and vegetable crops or those who just have a general interest in horticulture and expanding their knowledge of food production. It affords the opportunity to study an area of horticulture on a part-time basis while gaining an approved Level 5 minor award.
- By taking other Level 5 modules, students may be able to build towards a full QQI Level 5 Certificate in Horticulture.

Course Structure & Fees

- This course will be offered one half day per week.
- Tuesday 9:30am- 1:00pm, September 2025 to April 2026 (28 weeks).
- This module will include lectures and practical classes.
- Skills learned throughout the course will be assessed at regular intervals and two short theory exams in December and April.
- Students will be provided with appropriate PPE (Personal Protection Equipment) but will be required to have their own safety boots and work trousers for practical classes.
- Course fee: €240.00



Module Content for Fruit & Vegetable Production

On completion of this module, students will be able to:

- Explain key factors affecting fruit and vegetable production
- Identify a range of fruit and vegetable crops and compile a fruit and vegetable programme
- Describe pollination
- Explain fruit and vegetable nutrition needs
- Describe common problems of fruit & vegetables & controls
- Implement a range of skills and husbandry practices associated with fruit and vegetables
- Compile fruit and vegetable production programmes



Level 5 Horticulture Component Schedule 2025/2026

Course	Course Fee €	Schedule	Duration
Plant Propagation	240	Wednesday 9.30 to 1.00	10/9/25 to 22/4/26
Plant Identification and Use	180	Tuesday 2.00 to 4.30	16/9/25 to 21/4/26
Fruit and Vegetable Production	240	Tuesday 9.30 to 1.00	16/9/25 to 21/4/26
Horticultural Mechanisation	240	Wednesday 2.00 to 4.30	10/9/25 to 22/4/26
Plant Protection	240	Thursday 2.00 to 4.30	11/9/25 to 23/4/26
Garden Design	240	Tuesday 9.30 to 1.00	16/9/25 to 21/4/26
Soil Science and Growing Media	180	Monday 9.30 to 1.00	15/9/25 to 15/12/25
Landscape Construction and Maintenance	240	Thursday 9.30 to 1.00	11/9/25 to 23/4/26
Plant Science	180	Friday 9.30 to 1.00	12/9/25 to 19/12/25
Leadership	240	Friday 9.00 to 1.30	16/1/26 to 24/4/26
Work Experience	240	Anytime for 8 weeks	September 2025 to May 2026

We are now taking applications for our SEPTEMBER 2025 intake full and part time courses. Please note places on this course are offered on a first apply basis and places are limited. Register your interest and APPLY online now: www.teagasc.ie - Apply Online - Level 5 Component Awards in Horticulture at Kildalton College

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