



€coMerit

Environmental Support, Certification and
COST SAVINGS for your Business.

- Cut your energy, water & waste costs
- Improve your environmental performance
- Achieve recognition
- Access grant funding

**Low flat fee. Proven results.
Money-Back Guarantee.**



“EcoMerit helped us reduce day-to-day costs and improve our environmental performance. In our first year alone we saved €7,500 on our electricity bill and €8,500 on our water bill.”

**Eddie Hannon, Garage Manager,
Bus Eireann, Waterford.**

€coMerit companies average annual savings of €7,961.

€coMerit companies awarded €1,069,964 in grant support.

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What is so different about **€coMerit**?

Conventional certification schemes operate by having an auditor assess your organisation against an extensive set of requirements. Usually this also means employing a consultant to get you ready for the auditor, along with a lot of in-house time and effort.

With **€coMerit** there is no auditor, and no preparation. An advisor helps identify cost-saving improvements and then helps you meet the certification requirements.

The requirements themselves are very straightforward and easy to verify. They also give you a framework for further improvements, year on year.

“This project has saved us thousands, both in operational savings and in capital grant support.”

Josephine Byrne, Co-owner, Byrnes of Bree, Co. Wexford

How much does it cost?

The low flat fee is made possible by the financial support of our partner organisations, and is set by the number of employees based at your site.

Site Employees	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
1 - 4	€250	€125	€125
5 - 30	€400	€200	€200
31 - 60	€600	€250	€250
61 - 100	€800	€350	€350

NB: All fees are subject to VAT. Fees for organisations outside participating Council areas are typically 100% higher than shown above.

The certificates operate on a three year cycle.

Year 1 includes the main review visit, and we guarantee to find you savings which will exceed your Year 1 fee. Should we fail, we will refund half (i.e. you pay for only the certification and not the review visit) We should say that this rarely happens!

Years 2 and 3 include surveillance visits at which we verify your progress and seek further savings with you. At the end of the three years, a new certification cycle can commence.

NB: Larger or multi-site organisations will receive a customised quote. Charitable organisations qualify for a 50% discount (although refunds don't apply!).

“I wish we had done this years ago.”

Elizabeth Whyte, Director, Wexford Arts Centre.

What if I don't want to continue?

You may cancel your contract at any time without penalty. You only need to pay any outstanding fees and return your **€coMerit** certificate. We aim to provide such a good service that you will want to stay with us.

What are the Certification requirements?

The requirements for achieving **€coMerit** certification are the same core requirements as for any recognised environmental certification scheme. You must have;

- An environmental policy
- An improvement plan
- Performance monitoring (e.g. utilities usage).
- A commitment to pollution prevention.

We help you with these as part of the service. Full details are on the reverse of the application form.

What do I need to be ready for the advisor's visit?

The advisor's visit is quite informal, takes around half a day, and is geared to finding cost savings for you. It should be hosted by someone familiar with the site, including energy, waste and water arrangements.

You should have to hand information on your energy waste and water, ideally covering the previous year.

Other information on your environmental performance or issues of concern to you would also be helpful.

How do I apply?

Just fill out the application form (you can download it from our website www.ecomerit.ie) and send it to Econcertive. We will contact you and take it from there.

“The steps that we have taken here have lessened our environmental impact, we have made significant financial savings and the whole process has given us all a shared sense of achievement.”

Mary Carty, Services Manager, Tory Services, Waterford.

How do I access grant support?

€coMerit certification is a proven route to SEAI grant funding for energy-saving capital projects. To date, we have a 100% success record in winning these grants.

How do I find out more?

You may visit www.ecomerit.ie or contact any of the representatives below:

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