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## PRODUCER INFORMATION

**Note: Print or type all information legibly. Use blue ink. Applications will be returned if incomplete or illegible. There is an additional charge for resubmitted applications.** If you download your application forms from the web, please be sure to download and read the guidance documents and Practice Manual. Copies of the guidance documents are available online at [www.mofgacertification.org/certification-application-forms](http://www.mofgacertification.org/certification-application-forms). If a question does not apply to your operation enter N/A for not applicable. All questions must be answered. All requested attachments, labels and MSDS sheets must be included with your application.

### SECTION 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

1.1. Operator name(s) (1) \_\_\_\_\_

Limit of 2 names on certificate (2) \_\_\_\_\_

*Person in charge of day-to-day operations should be one of the names above. Name listed first will be the principal contact for this operation in our database. At least one of the individuals listed must be present and lead the annual inspections.*

1.2. Farm or company name \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address** \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

1.3. Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number for publication if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone number (not for publication) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

1.4. Email \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email for publication \_\_\_\_\_

1.5. Website \_\_\_\_\_

1.6. Farm or factory address/Physical address (if different from mailing address)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

1.7. Legal Status  Sole Proprietorship  Trust/Non-Profit  Corporation  LLC  Cooperative   
Legal Partnership  Other \_\_\_\_\_

1.8. Owner's name (*if not one of the operators seeking certification*) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

*If this is a farm operation and you do not own all of the parcels of land on which crops or livestock are produced, you will need to identify landowners on the Field History Forms and submit a "Landowner Affidavit" form.*

1.9. What is the best way to contact you?

1.10. Certification is being sought for the following (check all that apply):

- Crops (vegetables, herbs, flowers, grain, berries, hay etc.) (Fill out Farm Plan, etc.)
- Blueberry Only (Fill out Blueberry Supplement, etc.)
- Other Livestock or Poultry (Fill out Livestock and/or Poultry Supplement, etc.)
- Dairy (Fill out Dairy Supplement, etc.)
- Processed Products On-Farm (Fill out On-Farm Processing Supplement)
- Processor/Handler (Fill out Organic Handling Plan, etc.)
- Maple syrup (Fill out Maple Syrup Plan, etc.)
- Sea Vegetables (Fill out Sea Veg Supplement, etc.)
- Mushrooms (Fill out Mushroom Supplement)
- Wild harvest crop (Fill out Wild Crop Supplement)

(Processing and Handling includes slaughter houses or operations doing any type of preservation, alteration, combination, packaging or re-packing of agricultural products.)

1.11. Have you ever applied for organic certification before?  Yes  No.

If YES, What year(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ Certifying Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you surrender this certification? \_\_\_\_\_ What was the reason? \_\_\_\_\_

1.12. Has this operation ever been certified under another organic producer?  Yes  No.

If Yes, name of producer: \_\_\_\_\_

1.13. List all current organic certifications by other agencies (include agency names):

1.14. Have you ever been **denied** certification or had your certification **suspended or revoked**?  Yes  No

If YES, what year(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ What agency? \_\_\_\_\_

**You must enclose a copy of any notice of noncompliance or denial of certification and a description of the actions taken by you to correct any non-compliances.**

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1.15. a) How many years of experience do you have farming? \_\_\_\_\_ years.

b) Briefly describe your farming experience:

1.16. Farm History. To the best of your knowledge, explain **briefly** the history (especially for the last 3 years) of the development and use of the land to be certified.

1.17. Please attach a map of your farm. This can be a NRCS map, aerial photograph, or drawn map. NRCS maps, available from your local NRCS office, are preferred. Maps should include and designate each of the following: a.) open land, woods, wetlands, bodies of water, and buildings; b.) nature of adjacent land; c.) **all** separately numbered or named fields or plots and their sizes including fields on which cover crops or conventional crops are grown; and, d.) locations of farm roads and public roads; e.) buffers, as needed. If you are a maple syrup producer or honey producer, identify sugar maple stands and hives on your maps, respectively. If you are a livestock producer, identify all structures that house animals.

**NOTE:** if you are using aerial photography, please provide an overall map showing field locations relative to each other.

**NOTE:** If you draw a map of your farm be as accurate as you can.

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1.18. Give directions to your farm for your inspector to follow. Inspectors have found that a photocopy of the Delorme Atlas or any other map marked with the farm or facility's location can be very helpful.

1.19. Are you certifying fields that are a distance from your farm? If so, please state the distance and the driving time from the farm.

1.20. Do you work with a crop consultant or farm advisor? If yes, please provide your consultants name and contact information.

**SECTION 2: MARKET INFORMATION**

2.1 Below is a list of some common types of markets where organic producers sell products. Please select the markets where you sell your products (or are planning to sell your products). Market information is published on the MCS website and used by MOFGA’s marketing specialist.

<input type="checkbox"/> CSA	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Farmers
<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Shares	<input type="checkbox"/> Pick Your Own (PYO). Please List crop(s): _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Farm Shares	<input type="checkbox"/> Processors
<input type="checkbox"/> Fairs & Festivals	<input type="checkbox"/> Restaurants
<input type="checkbox"/> Farmers Cooperatives	<input type="checkbox"/> Specialty Stores
<input type="checkbox"/> Farmers Markets	<input type="checkbox"/> Supermarkets
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutions (e.g., schools)	<input type="checkbox"/> Trade or Barter
<input type="checkbox"/> Mail Order/Phone/Web	<input type="checkbox"/> Wholesalers (e.g., Horizon Milk)
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Food Stores	<input type="checkbox"/> Distributors
<input type="checkbox"/> On-Farm (farmstand or farm store)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Please name the specific markets you would like MOFGA to publish so customers can find your products:

2.2 Do you have a catalog or brochure?  Yes  No. If YES, please attach a copy.

2.3. Do you sell crops or processed products harvested or processed by other operations?  Yes  No

If YES, please complete the following:

Product	Source	Organic?	Certified?	Certifier:
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

2.4. If you sell any conventional (non-organic) products, please list them.

2.5. If you are selling conventional (non-organic) products, what steps are you taking to separate and identify these products from your organic products when you prepare goods for sale and when you present goods for sale?

2.6. Exports and Imports:

1. Do you sell/export product to:

- Do not export  Canada  EU  Japan  Korea  Switzerland  Taiwan

If you export product to any of these countries you must complete an 'International Export Supplement'. Refer to the Import/Export Transactions section of the MCS Practice Manual or Contact your MCS Staff Specialist.

2. Do you import product(s) or purchase imported product(s) from:

- Do not import  Canada  EU  Japan  Korea  Switzerland  Taiwan  Mexico

If you import or receive product imported from any of the countries listed above you must maintain:

- Organic Certificates of the supplier.
- For each country except Canada above you must obtain a 'TM-11 NOP Import Certificate' signed by the supplier's Organic Certifier which lists the product(s), amounts and lot number(s) received and which match your purchase invoices.

Refer to the Import/Export Transactions Section of the MCS Practice Manual or Contact your MCS Staff Specialist.