



AGENCY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD & MARKETS

Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets
Small Farm Operations Program
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Questions about this form? Please call: (802) 828-2431

Certified Small Farm Operations (CSFO): 2017 Annual Certification Form

Form fields for Farm/Business Name, Owner/Operator Name, House/Barn Phone, Cell Phone Number, Email Address, Mailing Address, Main Farm E911 Address, and Additional Farm E911 Locations.

What is your preferred method of written communication with the Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets?
Email [ ] United States Postal Service [ ] Fax # [ ]

I. TYPE AND NUMBER OF ANIMALS

Report maximum numbers of each type of animal present on your farm in the previous 12 months:

Table with 2 columns: Type and Maximum Number of Animals. Rows include Mature Dairy Cows, Youngstock or Heifers, Veal Calves, Cattle or Cow/Calf Pairs, Swine (55 lb. or more), Swine (under 55 lb.), Horses, Sheep or Lambs, Turkeys, Chickens (w/ liquid system), Chickens (w/out liquid system), Ducks (w/ liquid system), Ducks (w/out liquid system), and Other.

II. WASTE STORAGE AND MANAGEMENT

Please check all methods present on farm:

- Field Stack, Manure Pit, Semi-solid Storage, Compost, Mortality, Leachate Treatment, Milkhouse Waste System, Leachate Collection, Other

III. FEED AND RAW MATERIALS STORAGE

Please check all methods present on farm:

- Bunker Silo, Ag Bag, Upright Silo, Bedding Storage, Pile (in field), Commodity Shed, Wrapped Round Bales, Other

**IV. FIELDS**

Crop	<u># of Acres</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Hay	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pasture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Corn	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Vegetable	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Crop 1: _____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Crop 2: _____	_____

**V. LAND MANAGEMENT**

a. Are there any frequently flooded lands on your farm (pursuant to United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Soil Survey Flooding Frequency Classes)? *To check for presence of frequently flooded soils using ANR Atlas, please visit: <https://go.usa.gov/xNyua>*

Yes  No

b. # of total acres used for farming \_\_\_\_\_

c. *Optional:* Please attach any current maps that may exist of your farm fields.

**VI. NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets (VAAFMM) understands that few Certified Small Farm Operations will have a *complete* Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) for 2017, but that farmers should be actively working towards NMP completion by taking modified Morgan extractant soil samples and applying manure at agronomic rates.

a. Do you have a complete NMP developed, in accordance with USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Nutrient Management Practice Code 590? Yes  No

b. If no, have you begun the process of developing your NMP? Yes  No

c. Who has been assisting with NMP development? \_\_\_\_\_

**VII. CONSERVATION PRACTICES**

Please **check** any and all conservation practices listed below that are present on your farm:

<u>Field/Grazing:</u>		<u>Production Area:</u>			
Cover Cropping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Manure Injection	<input type="checkbox"/>	Livestock Fencing from Surface Water	<input type="checkbox"/>
No Till/Reduced Till	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aeration	<input type="checkbox"/>	Roof Runoff Structure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crop Rotation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grassed Waterways	<input type="checkbox"/>	Animal Trails and Walkways	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vegetated Buffers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Riparian Forest Buffers	<input type="checkbox"/>	Waste Management/Manure Storage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>			Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

**VIII. RECORD KEEPING**

Record keeping for soil analysis, manure or agricultural waste application, and fertilizer applications is required of all Certified Small Farm Operations. Records must be maintained on the farm for 5 years, and be made available to the Secretary upon request. Records, pursuant to 6.03(f) of the RAPs, must include: date of application, field location, application rate, source of nutrient applied, and weather and field conditions at the time of application.

*To request a record keeping booklet, check here  or visit: [go.usa.gov/x5pvW](https://go.usa.gov/x5pvW)*

**IX. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the information provided here is, to the best of my knowledge, true, accurate, and complete.

Applicant Name (please print):

Signature of Applicant:

Date:

**Reminder - CSFO Annual Small Farm Certification Forms should be submitted each year to:**

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