



APPENDIX A ORGANIC LIVESTOCK/HERDS/FLOCKS

This document is an Appendix to the **initial** and **extension** Producer Certification Application and Contract (Doc # 5.2.1 and 5.2.1-NOP), and is completed when a producer is applying for certification of organic livestock. It is necessary to fully describe and update the livestock portion of your Organic Production Plan and is used for all certification programs including the “NOP Only” and “NOP Plus” applications.

1.0 HERD/FLOCK INFORMATION [NSC .310, 4.4; NOP 205.201]

Name: _____ Producer No. _____

1.1 Nature of Livestock Operation

Generally describe the nature of the organic (and non-organic) livestock production activities on your farm.

Describe any livestock processing activities (if applicable) conducted on the farm.

If on-farm processed livestock products are for sale, request and complete Appendix B – On-Farm Processing (Doc #5.2.1 B)

1.2 Livestock Product List

List the livestock type and livestock products to be produced.

Livestock & Type	Livestock Product
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

1.3 Herd/Flock Inventory

Complete the attached Livestock Inventory (**Table 1.3**) as indicated. This inventory should be updated on a regular basis.

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2.0 FORAGE & PASTURE MANAGEMENT [NSC. 310, 5, 6.8; NOP 205.203]

2.1 Forage Crop Management

Describe your normal forage crop rotation (e.g. 6 years forage, 1 year grain crop):

Forage Species Mixture:

Seeding Method:

Fertilization Method:

Forage Storage Practices:

Is silage used? Yes No If **Yes**, describe type: _____

2.2 Pasture Management

Nature Pasture:

Grazing Intensity (acres/animal) _____
 Management Practices (Mowing, etc.) _____

Cultivated Pasture

Forage Species Mixture _____
 Seeding Methods _____
 Grazing Intensity (acres/animal) _____
 Management Practices (mowing, etc.) _____

2.3 Substance Use

List and describe **on-farm** and **off-farm** substances used to forage crop and pasture management:

Substance	Purpose	Composition	Application	
			Rate	Frequency
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

All substances used in the previous three years or intended for use in the current year must be listed in **Table 4.1** attached to the Application and Contract (Doc # 5.2.1 or 5.2.1-NOP).

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3.0 LIVESTOCK ORIGIN [NSC. 310, 6.2; NOP 205.236]

Confirm that livestock herd/flock managed and constituted in compliance with NSC .310, 6.2 NOP 205.236, 205.237 (a)(1). Specifically:

1. Poultry is under continuous organic management beginning no later than the second day of life. Yes
 No. If No, indicate reason(s) _____
2. Dairy Animals are under continuous organic management for at least one year prior to the labeling of milk or milk products as organic Yes No If **No**, indicate reason(s) _____
3. New Breeder Stock is managed organically for at least the last third of gestation if offspring are to be labeled as organic Yes No If **No**, indicate reason(s) _____
4. Species and types are adapted to organic management practices and local climatic and disease environment and have natural resistance to prevalent diseases and parasites where possible Yes No
If **No**, indicate reason(s) _____

Describe your herd/flock breeding and improvement program: _____

Is artificial insemination used? Yes No If **No**, indicate the frequency and reason(s) _____

Note: Your Record Keeping System must be adequate to confirm compliance with these provisions of the NOP.

4.0 LIVESTOCK NUTRITION [NSC. 310, 6.4; NOP 205.237]

Describe the nature of your livestock feeding program:

4.1 Access to Pasture (for ruminants only).

Animals have access to vegetated pasture: year-round as weather permits other (specify):

4.2 Feed Ration(s)

For **each** type of organic animal herd or flock in the farm complete a **Table 4.2 Feed Ration** (attached).
 Include periods of access to pasture

Describe each ingredient in the above rations under the following heading (use additional pages if required):

Ingredient	Source	Composition	Organic Status (Organic or Transitional)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Attach analysis of all rations to be fed during the animal's lifespan. Submit updates as required.

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4.3 Feed Testing

Forage component of ration is tested for nutrient content: weekly monthly as required
 other (specify) _____

Rations are formulated on the basis of: feed test results supplier recommendations
 experience other (specify): _____

Attach copies of recent forage and ration analyses.

Test results for forage and ration analyses must be available for inspection.

5.0 LIVESTOCK HEALTH CARE [NSC.310, 6.7; NOP 205.238]

5.1 Prevalent Diseases and Parasites

List the prevalent disease and parasite problem in your local area:

Disease(s)	Parasite(s)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

5.2 Disease and Parasite Management

Indicate the methods you use to control/manage diseases and parasites: climatically adapted types and strains adequate nutrition appropriate housing sanitation isolation adequate indoor and outdoor space humane physical alteration e.g. castration appropriate vaccines medicinal substances other (specify) _____

List and describe vaccines and medicinal substances used to control/manage disease and parasites:

Disease/Parasite	Vaccine/Substance	Composition	Source
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

5.3 Treatment Record

An on-going, current record of **all** animal treatments must be maintained and will be reviewed at least Annually by the inspector. Use **Table 5.3** attached for this purpose.

Labels of all **off-farm** substances must be available for review and/or copying by the inspector.

5.4 Emergency Treatment

Livestock treated with a prohibited substance must be clearly identified and not labeled, sold or reported as organic. Your records must clearly indicate animals which were treated and ultimate dispose of the same.

6.0 LIVESTOCK LIVING CONDITIONS [NSC.310, 6.8; NOP 205.239]

Diagram all buildings, shelters, exercising areas, pasture, and shade areas provided for the animals on Figure 3.2 of main application. Indicate the scale of the diagram.

6.1 Access to Outdoors

Animals have access to outdoor areas year-round as weather permits other (specify) _____

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Describe the outdoor stocking density for each livestock type and age:

Livestock Type & Age	Outdoor Area (acres)	Number of Animals	Animals Per acre
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

6.2 Housing and Bedding

Housing units have: adequate ventilation adequate natural lighting adequate natural amenities e.g. roosts, nests dry bedding temperature control.

Indicate nature of bedding material straw wood shavings other (specify) _____

6.3 Sanitation Practices

Housing – indicate frequency of manure removal: daily weekly monthly yearly other (specify) _____

Corrals – indicate frequency of manure removal: daily weekly monthly yearly other (specify) _____

Sanitation Agents – List and describe sanitation agents used in cleaning housing, pens, equipment, etc:

Agent	Composition	Source	Application	
			Rate	Frequency
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Have labels available for review by inspector

6.4 Environment Manipulation

Describe any environmental manipulation (e.g. Light cycles, heating, humidity, and dust control):

7.0 DEAD ANIMAL DISPOSAL [NSC.310, 6.2; NOP 205.203]

Indicate the method(s) used for dead animal carcass disposal: deep burial incineration commercial removal other (specify) _____

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