



# OEFFA Organic System Plan for Livestock & Poultry NEW APPLICANT

**Complete this form if you are requesting organic certification of livestock and/or poultry. You must also complete a separate Organic System Plan for Producers. Use additional sheets as necessary. First time applicants must complete all pages. You must sign this form.**

## Organic Livestock Operation Profile

Operation/Business Name <i>(to appear on your organic certificate)</i>	Owner/Operator
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Operation # <i>(office use only)</i>	Date
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If currently certified by another certifier, please list 2023 gross sales from organic livestock and livestock products:

**Type of Livestock Operation** *(check all that apply):*  
 Dairy  Beef  Layers  Broilers  Pullets  Sheep  Goats  Swine  Other  \_\_\_\_\_

**Livestock Products to be Certified** *(check all that apply):*  
 Milk  Fiber  Eggs  Meat Products  Other  \_\_\_\_\_ *(include label updates, if used)*

<b>FOR DAIRY ONLY:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> My dairy herd is currently certified organic. <input type="checkbox"/> I am sourcing certified organic animals only. <input type="checkbox"/> I have never been certified for dairy livestock and my 12-month herd transition began/will start on _____	<b>FOR POULTRY ONLY:</b> Date(s) birds will be present on your operation:
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**Breed(s) of livestock/poultry:**

**Type and # of livestock/poultry requested for organic certification (O), conventional (C), or in transition (IT- dairy only):**

LIVESTOCK TYPE	# OF ADULT FEMALES			# OF INTACT MALES			# OF CASTRATED MALES			# OF YOUNG FEMALES		
	O	C	IT	O	C	IT	O	C	IT	O	C	IT
Dairy												
Beef												
Swine												
Sheep												
Goats												
Other:												
POULTRY TYPE	# OF FEMALES				# OF MALES							
	O	C	IT	IT	O	C	IT	IT	O	C	IT	IT
Layers												
Broilers												
Pullets												
Turkeys												
Other:												
Other:												

**Livestock List Instructions and Example**

**\*\*Please review carefully: the list and instructions have changed significantly due to the Origin of Livestock Rule\*\***

The table below serves as an example.

For each animal include the following:

1. Animal Identification information and birth date.
2. Dam identification or purchase date. **Poultry producers only—you may stop here.** If born on-farm, write the name or ID number of the animal’s mother. If the animal was purchased, list the date of purchase. The name of the certified seller as well as the previous animal ID if it was changed upon purchase should be listed in Source of Animals, p.1. This information should correspond with animal purchase records.
3. Organic status of the animal (mammals): Dairy animals that have been transitioned or treated with a prohibited parasiticide may be eligible for organic status but are not eligible as organic slaughter stock. Only animals that have been managed organically from their last third of gestation and not treated with any synthetic dewormers are eligible for sale as organic slaughter stock.
4. If the animal is not eligible for sale as organic slaughter stock due to insufficient records or parasiticide use, indicate the reason in the applicable column.
5. OPT Grass-Fed program status, if applicable.
6. Comments may include information regarding visual identification such as colored ear tags or notched ear tags, or other notes you wish to capture.
7. Reason an animal was removed from the farm, as well as the date removed. This information should correspond with medical records, cull records, and/or sales records. “Left as organic” includes both live organic animal sales and organic slaughter.

**This list is intended to be a living document. Please complete this list with full information in each column relevant to your animals. We will provide you with this list to update, along with a blank sheet for new animals, each year. Next year, you will only need to update existing animals as needed and add your new animals to the list.**

**\*\*If you submit your own livestock list such as an Excel list, PC Dart, etc., it must contain all the information requested in the columns in the sample below, for each animal.**

**Livestock List**

Type of Livestock:				Slaughter Eligibility (mammals)		Reason Slaughter Status Removed	OPT Grass Fed	Comments	Removed from farm				
Permanent Animal ID # or Flock ID	Date of Birth	Dam ID or Purchase Date	Dairy/Fiber Only : Transitioned, not eligible	Dairy/Fiber Only : Org Slaughter Status Removed	Last Third Organic: Slaughter Eligible	Insufficient records	Treated with parasiticides		Transitioned to OPT Dairy	Born/raised under OPT cert	Left as organic	Left as Nonorganic	Died
ex. 1	Bertha	3/3/2022	Sadie	x			x						Red ID Tag
ex. 2	35	7/2/2022	10	x									
ex. 3	22120	2/21/2017	12/23/2019										bought from John Miller

**Livestock List**

**NOP §205.236**

Type of Livestock: <i>(ex: dairy, beef, layers, sows)</i>				Slaughter Eligibility (mammals)			Reason Slaughter Status Removed		OPT Grass Fed		Comments	Removed from farm			
Permanent Animal ID # or Flock ID	Date of Birth	Dam ID or Purchase Date	Dairy/Fiber Only : Transitioned, not eligible	Dairy/Fiber Only : Org Slaughter Status Removed	Last Third Organic: Slaughter Eligible	Insufficient records	Treated with parasiticides	Transitioned to OPT Dairy	Born/raised under OPT cert	Left as organic		Left as Nonorganic	Died	Date Removed	
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**A. FEEDSTUFFS (Projected for the calendar year) – Your inspector will verify all purchases since the last inspection.**

FEEDSTUFF		QUANTITY PRODUCED ON-FARM	QUANTITY PURCHASED	SOURCE(S)	ORGANIC CERT. ON FILE?
Hay					
Corn					
Silage					
Small Grain(s)					
Soybeans					
Complete Feed					
Other					

**B. FEED SUPPLEMENTS AND ADDITIVES:**

List all feed supplements and additives, including vitamins, minerals, salt, kelp, silage inoculants, preservatives, etc.:

FEED SUPPLEMENT/ ADDITIVE/PRODUCT NAME	PRODUCT MANUFACTURER AND/OR SUPPLIER	OEFFA PRE-APPROVED?	OMRI LISTED?	REASON FOR USE

*Attach product labels for all inputs not previously approved by OEFFA.*

**Inputs****NOP §205.201(a)(2)****A.. HEALTHCARE & DRUG INPUTS used or planned for future use with organic animals.****List treatments (including hormones, antibiotics, parasiticides, vaccinations, etc.) and preventive inputs (microbials, etc.)**

NAME OF PRODUCT OR TREATMENT	MANUFACTURER AND/OR BRAND NAME	HEALTH PROBLEM OR DISEASE	PREVENTIVE (P) TREATMENT (T) VACCINE (V)	APPROVED (A) RESTRICTED (R) PROHIBITED (P)	ANIMAL ID(S), IF USED

**B. DAIRY SANITATION****List all cleaning products used in the milkhouse and parlor:**

PRODUCT NAME	MANUFACTURER AND/OR BRAND NAME	USE
		PRE-DIP/UDDER WASH
		POST-DIP
		DETERGENT
		ACID CLEANER
		SANITIZER

**C.. OTHER INPUTS****List parasite and fly control products, water treatments, barn cleaning products, manure additives, rodent control inputs, products used for physical alterations, egg washing products, and all other input materials.**

PRODUCT NAME	MANUFACTURER AND/OR BRAND NAME	USE

*Attach product labels for all inputs not previously approved by OEFFA.***DMI Calculations (Required for ruminant livestock only)****NOP §205.237(c)**

NOP standards require that all ruminant livestock receive at least 30% of their Dry Matter Intake (DMI) from pasture during the grazing season. Each class of ruminant livestock (milking, dry, young stock/heifers, calves, etc.) that receives a different ration should have their own DMI calculation. You may use the worksheet on the next page or your own format if all the same information is included.

Make copies of the blank form if necessary. The worksheet is also available in a computer-fillable version from OEFFA. If the grazing season has not yet started, provide projected dates and planned feed rations. Use completed dry matter intake calculations from past years to guide you in completing your own calculations on the following page. Your inspector will verify that you have updated DMI calculations through the grazing season. If you would like assistance completing this section, contact OEFFA for additional resources or to talk through the requirements and your calculations.  No Ruminants



# OEFFA Dry Matter Intake Calculation Worksheet for Organic Ruminant Livestock

Operation Name: _____	Certification #: _____
Class of Animal/Stage of Production: _____	Number of Animals in Group: _____
Dry Matter Demand (DMD) (lbs.): _____ Source of DMD: <input type="checkbox"/> OEFFA Tables <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	

**RATION 1**

Dates this Ration is Fed: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ = # of Days [A] \_\_\_\_\_

Feed Type (do not list pasture)	Amount Fed Per Animal (lbs.)		DM Content		DM Fed (lbs.)
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	

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**DMD (lbs.)**      **Total DM Fed (lbs.)**      **DMI from Pasture (lbs.)**      **DMD (lbs.)**      **[a]**      **DMI from Pasture %**

# of Days in this Ration [A] \_\_\_\_\_ x DMI from this Ration [a] \_\_\_\_\_ = Ration Value [1] \_\_\_\_\_

**RATION 2**

Dates this Ration is Fed: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ = # of Days [B] \_\_\_\_\_

Feed Type (do not list pasture)	Amount Fed Per Animal (lbs.)		DM Content		DM Fed (lbs.)
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ ÷ \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ x 100 = \_\_\_\_\_

**DMD (lbs.)**      **Total DM Fed (lbs.)**      **DMI from Pasture (lbs.)**      **DMD (lbs.)**      **[b]**      **DMI from Pasture %**

# of Days in this Ration [B] \_\_\_\_\_ x DMI from this Ration [b] \_\_\_\_\_ = Ration Value [2] \_\_\_\_\_

**RATION 3**

Dates this Ration is Fed: from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ = # of Days [C] \_\_\_\_\_

Feed Type (do not list pasture)	Amount Fed Per Animal (lbs.)		DM Content		DM Fed (lbs.)
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	
		x		=	

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ ÷ \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_ x 100 = \_\_\_\_\_

**DMD (lbs.)**      **Total DM Fed (lbs.)**      **DMI from Pasture (lbs.)**      **DMD (lbs.)**      **[c]**      **DMI from Pasture %**

# of Days in this Ration [C] \_\_\_\_\_ x DMI from this Ration [c] \_\_\_\_\_ = Ration Value [3] \_\_\_\_\_

**Calculating Average Dry Matter Intake from Pasture Over Entire Grazing Season**

Total Days in Grazing Season ([A]+[B]+[C]) = \_\_\_\_\_ [Z]      Total Ration Value ([1]+[2]+[3]) = \_\_\_\_\_ [Y]

(Y) ÷ (Z) = \_\_\_\_\_ Average % DMI from Pasture for the grazing season

**General Information**

**Classes of Livestock: (check all that apply)**

**Dairy Cattle:**

- Lactating cows
- Dry Cows
- Bred heifers
- Young heifers
- Calves

**Beef:**

- Beef cows
- Beef replacement heifers
- Feeder/Stocker calves
- Finishing cattle

**Swine:**

- Sows
- Feeder pigs
- Growing/Finishing hogs

Alternatively, you may define your own classes here:

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**Sheep/Goats:**

- Ewes/Does
- Feeder lambs/Kids
- Finishing lambs/Wethers
- Lactating ewes/Does

**Poultry:**

- Layer hens
- Pullets
- Broilers
- Turkeys
- Ducks/Geese

- Are any animals kept at a location not on this OSP?  Yes  No
- If yes, is that location certified organic?  Yes  No
- Do you have an organic certificate on file for that location?  Yes  No

Is off-site, non-pasture housing used at an uncertified location (i.e. winter housing)  Yes  No  
 If yes, this location will need inspected as part of your annual inspection. Distance from main farm: \_\_\_\_\_ miles  
 Dates animals will be present at off-site location: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager(s) and address(es) of off-site livestock management/housing:

Who is responsible for management decisions regarding the livestock at this location?:

Do you offer custom boarding as a service to organic producers?  Yes  No

If yes;

I board only certified organic livestock  I board both conventional and organic livestock

I board livestock year-round  I board livestock during these months: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you keep records of incoming and outgoing animals?  Yes  No

Do you keep an organic certificate for incoming livestock and do you provide yours when they are returned?  Yes  No

*Please ensure all management (for both boarded livestock and your own livestock) is reported in all OSP sections*

**Animal Identification**

**NOP §205.236(c)**

***NOP standards require records sufficient to preserve identity of all organically managed animals and animal products. Animals that have been treated with prohibited inputs must be identified and managed separately from organic animals.***

**Describe your animal identification system:**

**Please indicate how animals are identified (as an individual and/or group), or would be identified, if treated with prohibited substances (even if you have not done so before):**

**Please describe how you track animals that are transitioned to organic production, born as last-third gestation organic and/or treated with parasiticides that remove organic slaughter status as applicable to the species you raise:**

## Bedding

List all bedding material(s) \_\_\_\_\_  None  
If roughage (i.e. straw, corn fodder, etc.) is it certified organic?  Yes  No  N/A  
Do you have a certificate for producer and/or handler on file?  Yes  No  N/A  Produced on-farm  
If shavings or sawdust, do you have documentation that it is free of prohibited substances?  Yes  No  N/A

## Feed Handling

Do you process feed (mix, grind, roast, extrude, etc.) on-farm?  yes  no  
If yes, is the equipment also used to process conventional or uncertified products?  yes  no  
If yes, how is equipment cleaned prior to processing organic feed to prevent contamination?:

Describe materials used for binding crops or baling/wrapping hay, silage, haylage, etc.:

Are all products that contact organic feed free of prohibited substances?  yes  no  
Are all baling/wrapping/binding products removed before processing into feed and/or feeding?  yes  no

What is your plan for emergency feed supplies?:

## FEED STORAGE:

Describe your feed storage locations:

STORAGE ID	TYPE OF FEED STORED	TYPE OF STORAGE	CAPACITY	ORGANIC (O), TRANSITIONAL (T), CONVENTIONAL (C), BUFFER (B)

Are feed storage areas labeled with their organic status?  yes  no  
How do you control rodents and other pests in organic feed storage areas?  No problems

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List all product names and manufacturers for pest control inputs used in storage areas -- attach labels if not pre-approved by OEFFA.

## Water

What are your sources of water for livestock use?

on-site well  municipal  river/creek/pond  spring  other (specify)

If you have had your water tested for coliform bacteria and/or nitrates, give the date of the last test: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any water contamination problems in your operation or region:  No contamination problems

\_\_\_\_\_

If livestock have access to a river, creek, pond, or wetland, how do you prevent bank erosion and protect natural riparian areas and wetlands?  No access

control access to sensitive areas  fence/designate stream crossings  conserve native vegetation  
 place feed/mineral blocks/water troughs away from sensitive habitats  allow natural process of plant regeneration  
 other (specify)



**Living Conditions**

**NOP §205.239**

*NOP rules require that the manager of an organic livestock operation must establish and maintain livestock living conditions which accommodate the health and natural behavior of animals.*

		Maximum #	Indoor Floor	Outdoor (non-pasture)	Pasture
<b>CATTLE</b>	Adult		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Young Stock		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Calves (individually housed)	<del>X</del>	<i>ft. - width each</i>	<i>sq. ft. each</i>	<del>X</del>
	Finishing		<i>total sq. ft. of finishing area</i>		<del>X</del>
<b>SWINE</b>	Sows in Group Pens		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<del>X</del>
	Sows w/ Piglets (up to 40 days)		<i>sq. ft. each</i>	<i>sq. ft. each</i>	<del>X</del>
	Boars in Individual Pens		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<del>X</del>
	Growing Pigs ≤65 lbs.		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Growing Pigs 65-110 lbs.		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Growing Pigs 110-185 lbs.		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Growing Pigs >185 lbs.		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
<b>POULTRY</b>	Layers		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Broilers		<i>sq. ft. per pound</i>	<i>sq. ft. per pound</i>	<i>acres</i>
	Turkeys		<i>sq. ft. per pound</i>	<i>sq. ft. per pound</i>	<i>acres</i>
<b>SHEEP</b>	Adults		<i>total sq. ft. (adults &amp; lambs)</i>	<i>total sq. ft. (adults &amp; lambs)</i>	<i>acres (adults &amp; lambs)</i>
	Lambs				
	Goats (adults & kids)		<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>total sq. ft.</i>	<i>acres</i>

What type(s) of housing do you use? \_\_\_\_\_

Are areas for bedding and resting provided that are sufficiently large, solidly built, and comfortable?  Yes  No

If stalls are used, are enough stalls present to provide for the natural behaviors of the animals?  Yes  No  N/A

If tie-stalls/comfort stalls are used, how often and for how long are animals released from stalls? \_\_\_\_\_

How is housing cleaned and how often? \_\_\_\_\_

What outdoor areas other than pasture do animals use? \_\_\_\_\_

Do all animals have access to direct sunlight and clean water?  Yes  No

If outdoor access includes soil, does it contain vegetation appropriate to the climate, season and species?  Yes  No

**Under what conditions are animals temporarily confined from the outdoors?** (check all that apply):

- Inclement weather that can cause physical harm to animals
- Risk to Soil or Water quality
- Short periods for milking and/or shearing
- Breeding
- Treatment of illness or injury
- Sorting, shipping, or sales
- 4-H, FFA, or other youth projects
- Stage of life (describe):

- Preventive healthcare procedures and vet visits (describe):
- Other conditions that may threaten the health, safety, or well-being of animals (describe):
- Other (describe reason and length):

Are any animals continuously confined indoors?  Yes  No

In shelter areas: Over a 24-hour period, do all animals have sufficient space and freedom to lie down, turn around, stand up, fully stretch their limbs, and express normal patterns of behavior?  Yes  No

Describe how temperature, ventilation, and air circulation are managed in shelter areas:

Describe outdoor access plan and reasons for temporary confinement from the outdoors:

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Are the yards, feeding pads, feedlots, and laneways:  
Well-drained, kept in good condition (including frequent removal of wastes), and managed to prevent runoff?  Yes  No

*NOP rules require livestock producers to establish and maintain preventive livestock health care practices. When preventive practices and veterinary biologics are inadequate to prevent illness, a producer may administer synthetic medications if they are allowed under §205.603 and are used in accordance with their restrictions.*

**A. GENERAL INFORMATION:**

Identify the general features of your animal health management program:

- selective breeding    closed herd/flock    isolation for purchased/diseased animals    culling    vaccinations
- good sanitation    access to outdoors    pasture rotation    dry bedding    good ventilation    good quality feed
- nutritional supplements    body condition scoring    species/breed selection    other (specify):

How do your record incidents of illness/injury and applied treatments:

- calendar    journal    individual animal health record    daily treatment record    other (specify):

List common health and/or disease problems for your operation:

Do you monitor for lameness and other health issues regularly?    Yes    No

Describe your plan for treating lameness and mitigating the cause of lameness:

Name and phone number of your veterinarian:

**B. LIFE-SAVING MEASURES & EUTHANASIA**

When organic-allowed and restricted treatments are not enough to restore health, do you or would you use prohibited treatments? (Animals lose organic status when treated with prohibited products.)    Yes    No

Describe your plan to conduct prompt, humane euthanasia for sick or injured animals, including method of euthanasia:

Are livestock carefully examined to ensure that they are dead following a euthanasia procedure?    Yes    No

**C. FLY CONTROL:**

Describe your fly management plan:

How effective is your fly control program:    excellent    satisfactory    needs improvement

**D. PARASITE CONTROL:**

Describe your internal and external parasite management plan (include emergency plan if prevention/approved treatment fails):

How often do you conduct parasite load monitoring?    daily    weekly    monthly    annually    as needed

How effective is your parasite management program:    excellent    satisfactory    needs improvement

**E. PREDATOR CONTROL:**    No problems

List common predators:

Describe how you prevent, manage, and control predator problems:

**F. SURGICAL PRACTICES:**   *Physical alterations can be used for identification and animal safety. Pain and stress must be minimized.*

Are physical alterations performed by a competent individual, trained in these procedures?    Yes    No

Describe surgical practices you use:

SURGICAL PRACTICE	AGE OF LIVESTOCK WHEN USED	REASON	METHOD
Castration			
Dehorning			
Tail docking			
Beak Trimming			How much beak is removed _____
Other:			

*List all inputs used for fly/parasite/predator control and physical alterations on page 5 (other inputs).*



**D. Map**

Attach a map of your poultry facilities that includes all structures and outdoor access areas, doors, and perch/scratch/dust bathing areas.

- Attached                       Included on farm map

**E. Feed**

How do you ensure that all birds receive no more than the maximum amount of synthetic methionine per ton of feed, averaged over the life of the flock? (*layers = 2 pounds, broilers = 2.5 pounds, turkeys & all others = 3 pounds*):

**F. Laying Hens**

**N/A (no layers requested for certification)**

Type of housing:  Slatted/mesh floor    Floor litter    Mobile    Aviary    Other (describe):

For houses with slatted/mesh floors, how much solid floor area is available (in square feet or % of total)? \_\_\_\_\_

How many inches of perch space are provided per bird (you may include the alighting rail in front of the nest boxes)? \_\_\_\_\_

*A perch is defined as a rod or branch-like structure.*                      Can all birds perch at the same time?                       Yes    No

**Egg Handling** (*Facilities that handle organic eggs must be certified for eggs to be marketed as organic.*)

Name and contact information of facility where eggs are washed, graded and packed: \_\_\_\_\_  on-farm

If on farm, describe how eggs are washed (*include cleaners on your input list*):

If off farm, Is the facility certified organic?    Yes    No    If yes, by what certifier?: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you or the facility have an egg handler's license?    Yes    No

Who buys/markets your eggs?: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe any time(s) when swine are not housed in a group:

Describe the types of rooting materials both inside and outside. When and where are they provided?

Are animals ever confined due to aggression?  Yes  No

If yes, describe aggression prevention methods, how cases of aggression are documented, and how you decide to confine:

Do you use gestation or farrowing crates?  Yes  No  N/A (no farrowing)

Do you use piglet cages or flat deck housing systems?  Yes  No  N/A (no farrowing)

**The producer of an organic livestock operation must, for all ruminant livestock on the operation, demonstrate through auditable records and in the organic system plan, a functioning management plan for pasture. Pasture must provide a sufficient quantity and quality of forage to supply a minimum of 30% of ruminant dry matter intake, on average, through the grazing season.**

**A. PASTURE MANAGEMENT**

Are any ruminants continuously confined in yards, feeding pads, and/or feedlots?  Yes  No  
 If any animals are continuously confined, provide the reason(s):

Pasture Type: (check all that apply) Perennial  Annual  Both  Inter-seeded

Is irrigation available?  Yes  No

Describe the location and types of permanent fences (you may attach a map showing locations – write “see attached”):

Describe location(s) and type(s) of shade (you may attach a map showing locations – write “see attached”):

Describe the location(s) of clean water (you may attach a map showing locations – write “see attached”):

What general management practices do you use to ensure your pastures provide not less than 30% dry matter intake from pasture to your ruminants during the grazing season?

- re-seed and improvement  plant native grasses  drag pastures to distribute manure  harvest excess forage
- manage invasive species with grazing, mowing, or biocontrol  other (describe)

Describe your plan to provide all ruminants with 30% dry matter intake from pasture during difficult grazing season conditions such as drought, etc:

**B. FEED AND GRAZING**

How did you determine dry matter demand for each class of livestock?

- Tables provided by OEFFA  % of Body Weight (source of data: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Other (describe and provide source of information/data):

How do you measure and document the amount of non-pasture feed? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the grazing season Continuous  or Non-continuous ?

Grazing Season: Beginning date: \_\_\_\_\_ Ending date: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of days: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe how you determine the length of the grazing season:

If different groups of animals have different grazing season beginning and end dates, please provide those and explain why:

How many times do you change your ration during the grazing season?: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you calculate dry matter intake each time?  Yes  No

Do all classes of ruminants get at least 30% of their dry matter requirement from pasture?  Yes  No

Are pastures grazed Continuously  or Rotationally ?

If rotational grazing is used, how often are animals moved? \_\_\_\_\_

Are yards, feeding pads, and feedlots large enough to allow all ruminant livestock occupying the space to feed simultaneously without crowding and without competition for food?  Yes  No

## Dairy

Describe the daily milking, feeding, and grazing schedule for dairy animals:

Provide the number of hours per day animals spend doing each of the following during the grazing season:

Milking: \_\_\_\_\_ Feeding: \_\_\_\_\_ Grazing: \_\_\_\_\_

Are individual animals confined for more than 7 days at dry off?  Yes  No

Are individual animals confined for more than 21 days before freshening?  Yes  No

Are individual animals confined for more than 7 days after calving?  Yes  No

Are young stock given access to pasture at or before 6 months of age?  Yes  No

Can individually housed pre-weaned young stock see, hear and smell other animals?  Yes  No

Are young stock moved to group housing with outdoor access when weaning is complete?  Yes  No

If herd is transitioning to organic production, provide transition end date: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you operate a seasonal dairy?  Yes  No

What type of milk handling system do you use:

pipeline  automated  step saver  hand milking  parlor  tie stalls  stanchions  other \_\_\_\_\_

How are you licensed?  Grade A  Grade B  other (*describe*)

Describe cleaning cycle for milking equipment, including pre-milking sanitizing (water temperature, rinses, etc.):

What is the last substance/solution to contact equipment before organic milk contact?: \_\_\_\_\_

Average Somatic Cell Count (SCC): \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you change inflations?: \_\_\_\_\_

How many animals do you currently milk?: \_\_\_\_\_ Average monthly milk production: \_\_\_\_\_

Who buys/markets your milk?:

## Manure Management

**NOP §205.239(e)**

*NOP rules require that manure must be managed so that it does not contribute to contamination of crops, soil, or water.*

What forms of manure do you use:  liquid  semi-solid/piled  fully composted  other (*specify*)

How is manure stored:  piled  lagoon  other (*specify*)

Describe the end use of manure (spread, sold, etc.):

Acres of land available for manure application (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

List ingredients/additives (bedding, barn lime, inoculants, soil amendments, etc.):

During what months do you apply manure/compost? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your composting method(s):  No composting

How effective is your manure management program:  excellent  satisfactory  needs improvement



**Transportation****NOP §205.238; §205.239; §205.272**

Describe the mode of transport and type of containment for animals:

How are animals loaded?:

How are livestock identified as organic for the duration of transport? \_\_\_\_\_

How is this identity preserved and traceable for the duration of transport? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you ensure that all livestock are fit to transport prior to loading?  Yes  No

How do you ensure that the mode of transportation protects animals against cold and heat stresses? (check all that apply):

 Proper ventilation Timing of transport Climate control Protection from the elements Other (describe):Is bedding provided during holding or transport?  Yes  No

If yes, describe the bedding materials:

Does time on the transport vehicle ever exceed 8 hours from load time?  Yes  No

If yes, what is your plan to maintain organic management and animal welfare?:

Describe your plans to address possible animal welfare problems or emergencies that might occur during transport:

I understand, as an operator who manages transportation of organic livestock, that I must provide records to my inspector that demonstrate transport times are not detrimental to organic livestock.  Yes  No**Handling for Slaughter***Meat processing facilities must be certified for meat to bear an organic label.*

Please check all that apply:

 We do not sell animals for meat (skip this section) We market our meat as conventional (skip this section) We sell live animals only (complete the "Ruminant Slaughter Stock" portion of this section only) Our animals are slaughtered on-farm and we market the meat as organic (complete this entire section & an OSP for Handlers) Our animals are slaughtered off-farm and we market the meat as organic (complete this entire section)

Name, address, and phone number of facility where your animals are slaughtered: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Is the facility certified organic?  yes  no By what agency? \_\_\_\_\_

Where and for how long are animals kept after delivery to slaughter facility but before slaughter? \_\_\_\_\_

Are organic animals kept separate from non-organic animals?  yes  no

Describe the method of slaughter:

Are current label templates attached?  yes  no**RUMINANT SLAUGHTER STOCK:**Not Applicable (No Ruminants for Slaughter) 

What is the expected slaughter age of the animals? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the expected length of the finishing period? \_\_\_\_\_  N/AIf finishing occurs during the grazing season, are animals allowed access to pasture each day? Yes  No  N/A

**Marketing**

**NOP §205.300; §205.303; §205.311**

**TYPE OF MARKETING:** (check all that apply)

- farmers market  
  direct to retail  
  CSA/subscription service  
  on-farm retail  
  wholesale  
 wholesale to processor  
  contract to buyer  
  other (describe)

**Do your labels include the phrase, “Certified Organic by OEFFA” or a similar phrase directly below your business contact information?**       Yes    No    N/A (no labels used)

**WHOLESALE LABELS and NON-RETAIL CONTAINERS\***       N/A – Retail only

*\*Non-retail containers are not just wholesale boxes, they also include totes, bulk bags, trailers, bulk tanks, railcars, shipping containers, vessels, cargo holds, barges, grain elevators, silos, grain bins and other methods of bulk transport or storage*

**Do non-retail containers and/or wholesale labels display a lot number, shipping ID, or other unique information that links to handling records?**       yes    no

**Do non-retail containers and/or wholesale labels display organic status of product?**    yes    no

**Does audit trail documentation associated with non-retail containers list the last certified entity?**    yes    no

**List all other marketing materials and methods used (i.e. websites, brochures, signs, market displays):**

*Attach full color copies of all organic product labels and marketing materials and/or plan for labeling non-retail containers. The use of the OEFFA and/or USDA logo(s) is voluntary and both are available from OEFFA in electronic & print form. The use of either seal must be according to NOP regulations and pre-approved by OEFFA.*

**International Markets**

**Complete this section if you plan to export organic products to other countries and/or if you would like international equivalencies listed on your organic certificate. You may attach additional sheets if necessary.**

**Please list all organic livestock products you wish to export in the table below:**

Livestock Product	Destination (check all that apply)					
	Canada	Switzerland	EU	Taiwan	Japan	Other (list)

**Critical Variances – complete sections for the destinations you checked in the table above**

**A. CANADA**  Not Applicable

**Were all non-ruminant organic livestock (poultry, hogs, rabbits, etc.) raised according to the livestock stocking rates in the Canadian Standard (CAN/CGSB 32.310-2006)?**

- Yes  
 No (list which animals do not meet the Canadian stocking rates):

**B. TAIWAN**  Not Applicable

**Do you use systemic pain killers or analgesics in the production of organic livestock or any prohibited substances?**

- No  
 Yes (describe inputs, use, and animals affected):

**Do you plan to label livestock products to be exported?**       Yes    No

**If YES:**

Do these labels meet the labeling requirements of the destination country?       Yes    No

Has OEFFA reviewed these labels and approved them specifically for export?       Yes    No (attach color labels for review)

*The NOP requires all operations to implement a fraud prevention plan appropriate to the certified operation's activities, scope, and complexity. Your fraud protection plan must describe your operation's monitoring practices and procedures for preventing fraud and describe your verification process for suppliers, including how organic status documentation is maintained back to the last certified entity in the supply chain. Attach supplemental description of any procedures not captured in this section, as applicable.*

My producer fraud prevention plan includes practices that I use for livestock (if not, please edit it to include livestock fraud prevention practices)

**Please also answer these additional livestock specific questions:**

**Animal Supplier Verification**

If you are purchasing livestock, please check all applicable supplier types you use:  N/A, closed herd or flock

farm  auction  broker/trader

other (describe: \_\_\_\_\_)

Does your purchase documentation contain the following information (check all that apply):

organic certificate of supplier  invoice listing entities involved in the sale (including brokers)

organic management from source through transport and holding locations  slaughter eligibility

identification number or name  transition status (requires temporary variance, contact OEFFA)

organic from last third of gestation  interstate commerce documentation (vet inspection certificates, regulatory health program tags, entry permits, brand inspection certificate)

other (describe: \_\_\_\_\_)

**Feed Verification**

If you are purchasing feed, please check all applicable supplier types you use:  N/A, no purchased feed

farm  distributor  broker/trader  feed mill

other (describe: \_\_\_\_\_)

**Describe measures used to correct vulnerabilities and minimize risks:**

additional scrutiny for suppliers of live animals and livestock feed  Purchase documentation collected for livestock

Only uses feed produced on farm  cooperative with organic livestock supply chain audits

verification of organic management from source of animals (includes transport and holding areas)

other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Recordkeeping**

**NOP §205.103**

*Documentation should be kept of purchased animals, breeding, feed sources, health problems and treatments, and sales of animals and animal products. Your records must be available for review by the inspector, OEFFA, and the NOP.*

**Check the types of records you keep:**

documentation of purchased animals

breeding

purchased feed/feed supplements

health

production

sales

feed storage

shipping/transportation

slaughter

dry matter intake calculations

grazing logs

feed rations for each type and class of livestock

other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Affirmation****NOP §205.400; §205.403(a)(1-2); §205.662(g)(1-2)**

I affirm that all statements made in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I agree to comply with the Act and applicable organic production and handling regulations of this part (Section 7, Part 205 – National Organic Program). I also agree to abide by OEFFA Certification Policies & Procedures. I will submit my updated Organic System Plan Update annually with applicable fees and supply all additional information requested within the required timeframe. I will notify OEFFA Certification in writing if any of the information pertaining to my organic operation changes. I understand that my operation may be subject to unannounced inspection and/or sampling for residues at any time, as deemed appropriate by OEFFA Certification and as required by the National Organic Program, to determine continued compliance with the Act. I understand that OEFFA Certification may share information concerning the certification of my operation with the USDA National Organic Program and/or other USDA Accredited Certifying Agents, as necessary. I will maintain all records applicable to my organic operation for at least 5 years beyond their creation and allow OEFFA Certification and the USDA National Organic Program access to these records during normal business hours. I have reviewed the information pertaining to Violations of the Act at §205.662(g)(1)-(2). I will defend, indemnify and hold harmless OEFFA Certification, its Trustees, and personnel, from any and all claims, injuries, damages, losses or suits including attorney fees, arising out of or in connection with the performance of certification services, except for injuries and damages caused by the sole negligence of OEFFA Certification. I understand that acceptance of an Organic System Plan in no way implies granting of certification by OEFFA Certification.

Signature of Operator \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Information****I have attached the following additional documents (if applicable):***\*If sending hard copies of additional documents, please send single sided\** Input product labels for products that are not pre-approved by OEFFA and/or OMRI-listed DMI Calculation Worksheets Labels for my organic livestock products Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_**Submit completed forms, fees, and supporting documents to:****OEFFA Certification****41 Crosswell Road****Columbus, OH 43214-3062****Fax: (614) 421-2011 E-mail: [organic@oeffa.org](mailto:organic@oeffa.org)**Keep a copy of everything you send to OEFFA for your records.**Please Note: An incomplete application will delay the certification process and may result in an additional fee. Please double check that you have completed this form.**If you have any questions about how to complete this form, please contact us:Phone: (614) 262-2022 Fax: (614) 421-2011 E-mail: [organic@oeffa.org](mailto:organic@oeffa.org)

Or write to the address above.