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Custom Grazing & Management Affidavit

- ▶ This affidavit is intended to clarify roles and responsibilities between operations for the care and keeping of animals. This form applies to operations that both send and receive animals for care.
- ▶ A CCOF certified operation may use another certified organic location for animal grazing and/or management when records are maintained that fully disclose all activities and transactions.
- ▶ Submit one Affidavit for each certified operation providing services to your organic animals or sending organic animals to you for services.

A. Custom Grazing and Management Service Provider Information

Name of Certified Service Provider: _____

Parcel Name, Address: _____

Anticipated dates when organic animals will be at this location: _____

Service provider's current organic certificate listing the parcel noted above and/or certification for livestock management practices is attached.

Note that depending on the responsibilities and management practices outlined on this form, CCOF may determine that the service provider must be certified to the livestock scope in order to be an approved custom management location.

B. Livestock Owner Information

Name of Certified Livestock Operation: _____

Class and Quantity of Animals receiving custom management: _____

Livestock owner's current organic certificate listing the class of animals noted above is attached.

C. Responsibilities

Complete the table below to clarify the practices, decision-making and records included in the custom service arrangement. If applicable, submit additional agreement, Standard Operating Procedure, or other document describing the roles and responsibilities for services provided.

	Management Activity	Custom Service Provider performs this activity and makes decisions independently.	Custom Service Provider performs this activity in accordance with the Livestock Owner's approved Organic System Plan.	Performed Only by Livestock Owner	Records required for this activity
1)	Arranging the transport of animals to and from the custom grazing location.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transportation records that include the original location of pick-up, number of animals, total travel time on vehicle, and delivery to final destination. This could include, but is not limited to, copies of travel logbooks or similar documentation. Verification that commingling and contamination of certified organic animals was prevented during transport. Records indicating the organic status of livestock in a shipment. Individual organic livestock must be clearly identified as organic, and this identity must be traceable for the duration of transport.





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2)	Purchasing of feed and/or feed supplements/additives	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase records such as receipts, invoices, weight tags, and shipping documents. • Documentation must demonstrate that the transaction occurred directly between two certified operations. • Organic certificate for the feed supplier. • Maintain labels for all purchased feed and feed supplements
3)	Providing feed and/or feed supplements/ additives to organic livestock <input type="checkbox"/> N/A pasture only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document feed amounts as fed, identifying specific commodities, the quantity provided, and to how many animals.
4)	Purchasing of healthcare materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase records such as receipts, invoices, weight tags, and shipping documents.
5)	Providing healthcare materials to organic livestock	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical treatment logs, including vaccination records. • Health care and veterinary product purchase records
6)	Determining plan to treat a sick/injured animal in an emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical treatment logs • Health care and veterinary product purchase records
7)	Providing animals' housing and living conditions <input type="checkbox"/> N/A, Housing is solely pasture.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Living conditions must accommodate the health and natural behavior of animals §205.239(a)</i>
8)	Purchasing and providing bedding <input type="checkbox"/> N/A pasture only.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purchase records such as receipts, invoices, weight tags, and shipping documents. • Organic certificate for the bedding supplier (when roughage is used as bedding).
9)	Maintaining records of confinement events, outdoor access and/or grazing rotations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grazing records that verify access to pasture and how animals move through your pasture system. • Calculations showing Dry Matter Intake from pasture for all production groups. • Documentation of the start and end of your grazing season. • Confinement records that document the animal(s) confined, reason for confinement, duration of confinement, and location(s) of confinement.





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10)	Updating Treated Animals' Visual ID by: _____ (e.g.: notch ear tag, add button, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated herd list documenting treated animals. • Medical treatment log listing material administered, date, to which animal(s), and reason.

By signing this Affidavit, I attest to the accuracy of the custom service arrangement described above. I agree to immediately notify the livestock owner and CCOF of any application of a prohibited material, including those applied accidentally or via drift, while livestock are present.

Certified Custom Grazing and Management Service Provider:

I maintain records of all activities that I perform and ensure copies of those records are provided to the livestock owner and are available for auditing at my organic inspections.

Printed Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Certified Livestock Owner:

I maintain records of all activities performed by the service provider and have these records available for auditing at my organic inspections.

Printed Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

CCOF reserves the right to inspect any operation grazing organic livestock. The National Organic Standards section 7 CFR 205.201(a) requires that organic livestock must be managed according to an Organic System Plan (OSP), which is agreed upon by the certifying agent.

