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2026 Produce Safety Rule Registration Form

Farm Name: _____

Business Trade Name or DBA name: _____

Farm (Physical) Address: _____

☐ Farm (physical) address same as mailing address ☐ Farm has multiple locations/fields

Mailing Address: _____

Point of Contact

Full Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Role: ☐ Owner; ☐ Manager; ☐ Food Safety Contact; ☐ Other (*list*): _____

Activities Performed
Please check all that apply
☐Grow Produce
☐Harvest Produce
☐Pack Produce
☐Hold Produce
☐Retail Produce

Approximate Produce Acreage
☐0-24
☐25-50
☐51-100
☐101-499
☐500+

Growing Season
☐Year-Round
☐Indoor Facility
☐Hydroponic/Aquaponic
Start Date: _____
End Date: _____

What produce is grown, harvested, packed, and/or held?

☐Apple	☐Collards*	☐Leek	☐Plums	☐Summer Squash
☐Apricots	☐Cucumbers	☐Lettuce	☐Potatoes*	☐Sweet Cherries
☐Asparagus*	☐Eggplant*	☐Microgreens	☐Pumpkins*	☐Sweet Corn*
☐Blackberries	☐Figs*	☐Mushrooms	☐Radish	☐Swiss Chard
☐Blueberries	☐Garlic	☐Mustard Greens	☐Raspberries	☐Tomatoes
☐Broccoli	☐Ginger*	☐Nectarines	☐Rhubarb	☐Turnips
☐Brussel Sprouts	☐Grapes	☐Okra*	☐Rutabagas	☐Walnuts
☐Cabbages	☐Green Onions	☐Onions	☐Snap Beans	☐Watercress
☐Cantaloupe	☐Herbs (specify below)	☐Peaches	☐Sour Cherries*	☐Watermelon
☐Carrots		☐Pears	☐Spinach	☐Winter Squash*
☐Cauliflower	☐Honeydew	☐Peas	☐Sprouts	☐Yams
☐Chestnuts	☐Kale	☐Peppers	☐Strawberries	

☐Other (specify):

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Do you only grow produce that is not covered by 21 CFR 112.2? ☐ Yes ☐ No

- Produce that is rarely consumed raw, specifically the produce on the exhaustive list, *some are listed in the check boxes on page 1 and marked with an *; or*
- Produce that is for personal or on farm consumption only; or
- Produce that is not a raw agricultural commodity.

*If yes, please also fill out and submit the **Non-Covered Commodities Exemption Form**.*

Do you only grow produce that receives commercial processing that adequately reduces the presence of microorganisms of public health significance? ☐ Yes ☐ No
*If yes, please also fill out and submit the **Commercial Processing Exemption Form**.*

What is the 3-year average of gross PRODUCE sales for the years 2023 to 2025?
Produce Sales include sales from produce grown by and/or purchased and sold by you/your operation.

☐Over $500,000 average annual produce sold during the previous 3-year period – Large Farm

☐$250,000 - $500,000 average annual produce sold during the previous 3-year period – Small Farm

☐$25,000 - $250,000 average annual produce sold during the previous 3-year period – Very Small Farm

☐Less than $25,000 average annual produce sold during the previous 3-year period – Exempt Farm

Using 2011 as the baseline year for calculating the adjustment
https://www.fda.gov/food/food-safety-modernization-act-fsma/fsma-inflation-adjusted-cut-offs

For 2026, is your 3-year (2023-2025) average of gross produce sales less than $34,324? ☐ Yes ☐ No
*If yes, please also fill out and submit the **2026 Produce Safety Rule Sales Value Exemption Registration Form**.*

If no - **What is the 3-year average of gross FOOD sales for the years 2023 to 2025?**
Under section 201(f) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act) food is defined as (1) articles used for food or drink for man or other animals, (2) chewing gum, and (3) articles used for components of any such article." Examples of food include produce, eggs, dairy, meat, honey, processed or homemade foods (jams, pickled items, baked goods…), beverages, foods/drinks purchased for resale (commercially produced and/or purchased from other farms), sales of live food animals, and animal feeds such as pet milk, hay, silage, grain…)

☐My 3-year (2023-2025) average of gross food sales is over $686,476 – *Farm is covered by produce safety rule.*

☐My 3-year (2023-2025) average of gross food sales is between $34,324 - $686,476 – *If checked, please use the **2026 Produce Safety Rule Qualified Exemption Worksheet and Registration Form** to determine if you may be eligible for a Qualified Exemption. Qualified Exemption requires annual review per 21 CFR 112.7.*

Please return completed documentation to: produce.safety@maryland.gov or Fax (410) 841-2750 or
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