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2026 Non-Covered Commodities Exemption Registration Form

File this form with the Maryland Department of Agriculture to be excluded from the inventory of farms required to fully comply with the Produce Safety Rule.

Name of Farm: _____ **Email:** _____

Name of Person Filing: _____ **Phone:** _____

Farm (physical) Address: _____

☐Farm (physical) address same as mailing address

Mailing Address: _____

I/We acknowledge the following to be true, *please check the applicable box for acknowledgement*:

☐My/Our farm only grows produce for personal consumption by the farm and its employees on the farm and/or on another farm under the same management. I/We will notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture if we no longer qualify for this exemption.

☐My/Our farm **only** grows produce on the current exhaustive list of non-covered produce in the Produce Safety Rule and/or hops, wine grapes, pulse crops and/or almonds. I/We will notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture if we no longer qualify for this exemption.

☐My/Our farm does not grow produce of any type. Produce is defined as fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, peanuts, tree nuts, herbs, microgreens and sprouts irrespective of seed source. Produce does not include food grains such as barley, dent or flint corn, sorghum oats, rice, rye, wheat, oilseeds, etc. that are primarily grown and processed for use as meal, flour, baked goods, cereals and oils rather than for direct consumption as small, hard fruits or seeds. I/We will notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture if we no longer qualify for this exemption.

☐My/Our farm is no longer in operation. I/We will notify the Maryland Department of Agriculture if we no longer qualify for this exemption.

Date of Filing: _____

Name/Title of Filer: _____

Signature of Filer: _____

Please return completed documentation to: produce.safety@maryland.gov or Fax (410) 841-2750 or MDA – Food Quality Assurance Program 50 Harry S Truman Parkway Annapolis, MD 21401

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