

ROCKINGHAM CO. SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR LAND USE – 2013

IMPORTANT:-LAND USE WILL NOT BE GRANTED, UNLESS ALL ITEMS LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN REPORTED AND RETURNED WITH THE APPROPRIATE FEE AND DOCUMENTATION.

NAME: _____
 MAP NO: _____

COMMISSIONER OF THE REVENUE
 LAND USE OFFICE
 20 EAST GAY STREET
 HARRISONBURG, VA 22802

YOUR NAME (Please Print) _____ PHONE _____

1. SINCE JANUARY 1, 2012 - HAVE THERE BEEN ANY CHANGES TO NAME, OWNERSHIP OR ACREAGE TO THIS PARCEL?.....YES NO
 IF YES → ENTER CHANGES: _____

2. WERE REAL ESTATE TAXES PAID FOR THIS PROPERTY LAST YEAR?.....YES NO
 (IF NO, AND TAXES ARE DELINQUENT, LAND USE REVALIDATION WILL NOT BE GRANTED).

3. IS ENTIRE PARCEL IN FORESTED USE?.....YES NO

4. REPORT WOODS: (ACRES OF WOODS IN STANDING TIMBER -NOT GRAZED BY LIVESTOCK)...Acres: _____

IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO QUESTION #3, YOU MAY STOP HERE AND SIGN BELOW

5. DID YOU (OR OTHER OWNER LISTED ON THE LETTER) PERSONALLY FARM THIS PARCEL?.....
 YES NO
 IF YES → DID YOUR FARM'S GROSS SALES EXCEED \$1,000 LAST YEAR?..... YES NO
 DID YOU FILE AN IRS SCHEDULE F (FARM INCOME) LAST YEAR?...YES NO

6. DID YOU RECENTLY PURCHASE THIS PARCEL? YES NO
 IF SO, DO YOU INTEND TO KKEP THE PARCEL IN FARMING FOR 2012? YES NO

7. IS THIS PARCEL FARMED BY SOMEONE ELSE - RENT FREE OR LEASED? YES NO
 IF YES → Enter name, Phone # of farmer(s) and attach copy of lease agreement or a signed statement from the farmer.
 YOU MAY USE THE FORM ON THE REVERSE OF THIS FORM TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION FROM FARMER

LESSEE NAME: _____ PHONE # _____

8. ALL LAND OWNERS MUST ACCOUNT FOR AGRICULTURAL USE FOR THIS PARCEL: If necessary, obtain from farmer

A. LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY: REPORT KIND/SPECIES (*cattle, sheep, turkeys etc.*), NO. OF HEAD, ACRES PASTURED
 (for poultry TOTAL NUMBER.RAISED.) --- NOTE: PLEASURE HORSES DO NOT QUALIFY.

Animal _____ No. _____ Acres Pastured _____
 Animal _____ No. _____ Acres Pastured _____
 Animal _____ No. _____ Acres Pastured _____

B. REPORT CURRENT CROP(S) AND ACREAGES: (*corn, hay, soybean, etc...*)

(Crop _____, Acres _____) (Crop _____, Acres _____) (Crop _____, Acres _____)

NOTE: Failure to provide signatures of all parties owning an interest in this real estate constitutes a material misstatement of fact.
Affidavit: I (we) further certify that all land for which taxation is requested meets all requirements of the uniform standards prescribed by the Commissioner of Agricultural and Consumer Services, the Director of Conservation and Recreation, and the State Forester. I (we) declare under penalties of law that this application and any attachments hereto have been **examined by me and to the best of knowledge are true and correct.** I (we) do hereby grant permission to the Natural Resources Conservation Service to provide information on Land Capability Classes to the proper authorities for the purpose of administering the land use ordinance.

ALL OWNERS MUST PRINT NAME, SIGN AND DATE BELOW

NAME: _____	SIGNATURE: _____	DATE: _____
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DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM OR PAYMENT WITH YOUR REAL ESTATE TAXES!

LAND USE QUALIFICATION STANDARDS

CROPS AND LIVESTOCK LAND USE:

“Real estate devoted to agriculture use” shall mean real estate devoted to the bona fide production for sale of crops and livestock or devoted to and meeting the requirements of a soil conservation program under an agreement with an agency of the federal government. **Pleasure horses or hobby animals do not meet these specifications.**

- * Must have five (5) acres minimum in agricultural use.
- * Must have been farming for previous five (5) consecutive years.
- * Must meet minimum crop and livestock requirements.

FORESTED LAND USE:

“Real estate devoted to forest use” shall mean land including the standing timber and trees devoted to tree growth in such quantity and so spaced and maintained as to constitute a forest area under standards prescribed by the State Forester. Must have twenty (20) acres minimum in forest use to qualify.

Cedars do not qualify for forested land use.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

REPORT ALL CHANGES TO LAND USE OFFICE WITHIN 60 DAYS:

Owners must report a change in use or zoning **within sixty (60) days** to the Commissioner of Revenue - Land Use Office. Any changes to a tax map parcel will require a new application and any roll back taxes, if applicable.

MISSTATEMENT OF FACT:

Any person making a material misstatement of fact other than a clerical error in such application shall be liable for all such taxes, in such amounts and at such times as if such property had been assessed on the basis of fair market value as applied to other real estate in the taxing jurisdiction, together with interest and penalties thereon, and shall be further assessed an additional penalty of 100 percent of such unpaid taxes.

ROLL-BACK TAX LIABILITY:

When real estate which has been taxed according to special assessment (Land Use) changes to a non-qualifying use or is zoned to a more intensive use, other than agricultural zone, at the request of the owner or his agent, it shall be subject to additional tax referred to as a roll back tax. Such Roll-Back Tax shall only be assessed against that portion of such real estate, which no longer qualifies for assessment and taxation on the basis of Land Use.

DELINQUENT TAXES:

New applicants will be denied until all delinquent taxes have been paid. Also, parcels in the program will be removed from the land use program if delinquent taxes are not paid by June 1 of the following year.

STATEMENT FROM FARMER

I, _____, do hereby certify that I am

Farmers's Name

engaged in legitimate farming activity for profit and am using the parcel owned by

_____ and designated as tax map #

Land Owner's Name

_____ as part of my farming operation.

Tax Map #

Farmer's Signature

Date