



Application
Submitted via website by:

LIVESTOCK APPLICATION

Farm Business Information

Applicant Name

Email

Farm Name

Farm Location Address

United States

County

Show Street Address?

- Show street address on public profile

Display on Map?

- Show farm location on the CNG map

Does the farm have a different mailing address than the physical location above?

Do you have additional physical locations for this farm?

Farm Phone Number

Cell Phone?

Make Public?

Farm Phone Number (alternative)

Cell Phone?

Make Public?

Website

Facebook

Instagram

Twitter

TikTok

Production History

Please briefly tell us why you are applying to be part of the Certified Naturally Grown (CNG) program:

Are you currently third party certified for your livestock operation by any other organization (Organic, Biodynamic, etc.)?

Have you held any certification/s in the past that you don't currently hold?

Have you ever been denied certification?

How did you hear about CNG?

Please provide some more details. It's great for us to know how our grassroots movement is spreading.

The Feed Form is required of all CNG livestock producers. Review it and be sure your feed meets CNG's

requirements before completing this application.

Feed Form

Your application will be reviewed **AFTER** we receive a valid Feed Form for your farm. We ask you to submit the Feed Form within **ONE MONTH** to ensure your application isn't denied.

How long have you been raising livestock and marketing your livestock products?

CNG Experience Requirement

How did you learn to raise livestock? What has prepared you to farm successfully according to CNG standards?

Products and Markets

Total number of acres you wanted listed as CNG :

Total farm acreage to be used for pasture and feed crops:

Do you have other acreage in "Conventional" Agricultural Systems?

General Listed Acreage Breakdown

Of the acreage that you want listed as CNG, list the number of acres you have in each crop category.

Pasture:

Hay:

Grain:

Other:

If indicated, please specify how 'other' acres are used:

Check all the livestock you raise and would like to market as CNG.

Check all markets you grow for (this will be displayed on your farm profile to help potential buyers find

you).

Livestock Management & Practices

Please list all livestock for which you seek certification by type/breed, and indicate how many of each are on the farm today. For animals that have not yet been stocked for the season (e.g. poultry or piglets) please estimate how many you expect to have on farm during the upcoming season. Only list livestock that are (or will be) managed according to CNG standards.

By typing my initials below, I affirm that all livestock listed on this application are raised according to Certified Naturally Grown standards. I further affirm that I will not represent ANY livestock products as Certified Naturally Grown if they have not been raised according to the standards required by Certified Naturally Grown. Any livestock treated with antibiotics or other prohibited substances will be quarantined and sold separately. All livestock are fed feed grown according to CNG standards - without synthetic fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides, and free of any genetically modified grains (GMOs).

Have all the livestock been raised according to CNG standards since the last third of gestation or since hatching?

By typing my initials below, I agree not to market as Certified Naturally Grown any livestock or livestock products that have not been under continuous CNG management for at least nine months (or in the case of dairy products, for at least six months). I understand that if in the future I want to market as Certified Naturally Grown any livestock not named in this application, I may do so if the livestock has been raised according to CNG standards since the last third of gestation or, for poultry, the second day of life. Otherwise I shall contact CNG to obtain a variance.

Give brief details of your rotation practice for each type and/or group of livestock. (E.g. heifers strip grazing behind electric fence moved daily, 28 day rotation, poultry rotated weekly - 3 pens).

Do your livestock spend most of their time on pasture during the growing season?

Is all feed grown according to CNG standards (without synthetic fertilizers, pesticides or post-harvest fungal treatments)?

For all livestock you seek to certify, please provide more information about the feed. Is it grown locally for you? Purchased in bulk at a mill? Bagged at the feed store? Is it Certified Organic? What brand, if any?

Do you buy in some feed?

Will you be sure to submit a Feed Form within two weeks?

Describe your primary livestock pest problems AND methods of control. Do not answer "none". You MUST indicate either actual pest challenges and/or LIKELY challenges, and you must ALSO indicate how you manage (or would manage) them. If you indicate a product, also specify how often it's used.

Vaccines FAQ

Medical Treatment FAQ

Provide details of all livestock owned by you, or grazed on your land, that are treated and quarantined on your property

Pasture & Farmland Management

Primary Tillage System:

Do you use Cover Crops?

How do you prevent manure runoff in your fields, livestock housing areas, and pastures?

Do you use Compost?

Please list any other brought in fertility sources that you use (rock powders, lime, alfalfa meal, fertilizer mixes, etc.) For each product, list the full name, manufacturer, and OMRI status.

Input FAQ

Have any chemical fertilizers been applied to the fields you are seeking Certification for in the last three years (36 months)?

Micronutrient Fertilizer FAQ

Have any non-acceptable pesticides and/or herbicides been applied to these fields in the last 3 years?

Describe your primary weed problems and methods of control. If you indicate a name brand product, specify the product name, manufacturer, OMRI status, and how often it's used.

Describe your primary plant pest problems and methods of control. If you indicate a name brand product, specify the product name, manufacturer, OMRI status, and how often it's used.

Please list the water source you use for crop irrigation. If source is public river, pond or lake, please note the name:

Are there any known contaminants in the irrigation water?

Seeds & Buffers

Do you purchase or grow using any Genetically Modified seeds?

Do you use any chemically treated seeds in your operation?

By typing my initials below, I understand that the use of chemically treated seeds is not allowed under organic and Certified Naturally Grown guidelines. I will not label, or in any way lead consumers to believe produce grown from treated seeds are Certified Naturally Grown.

Chemical/Spray Drift and Buffers:

Is there any likelihood of Chemical/Spray drift contamination of your fields?

Do you have an adequate buffer to protect yourself from potential contamination?

Describe your buffer. Be as specific as possible and include buffer widths. On all sides, how far is it from your crops to the next closest use (road, conventional crop, residential yard)? Be sure to specify what is grown on neighboring land that is in agricultural use.

CNG relies on peer inspections so it is essential to have at least one eligible inspector nearby to complete your farm's certification. The most common inspectors are CNG farmers, uncertified farmers who are using natural practices, and sustainable ag professionals such as educators, and extension agents. View our [CNG Inspection Guidelines](#) for details. You can also visit the [Find Farms](#) page for a list of CNG farms near you.

List at least one person who you could ask to conduct your farm's inspection.

Agreements

Please indicate your agreement with the following statements by typing your initials into each corresponding text box.

I will not label, or in any way lead consumers to believe that produce not raised in accord with CNG standards is Certified Naturally Grown.

I understand that I have to complete at least one (and hopefully more) Certification Inspection(s) of another farm in my area each year and will abide by the trading and repeat rules within the CNG Inspection Guidelines.

I have reviewed the Certified Naturally Grown Livestock Standards, I understand them, and I will abide by them. I understand that if I have any questions I may contact CNG for clarification.

You may use this space to tell us anything else you think we should know about your farm: