



Agricultural Use Permit Application

Office Use Only
APPLICATION NO.: _____

Township of: _____

Related Records: _____

MANDATORY SUBMITTAL INFORMATION:

- 2 Copies of site plan** - including distance from other structures, property lines, public streets, easements, septic tanks, drainfields and all wells

Site Address: _____						
	Number	Street	City / State	Zip		
TOWNSHIP/SECTION	SUBDIVISION or METES & BOUNDS DESCRIPTION		BLOCK	LOT	PLAT	PARCEL

Applicant: Property Owner Contractor Other (describe): _____

APPLICANT INFO	Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____ <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Last</small> <small style="margin-left: 100px;">First</small> <small style="margin-left: 100px;">MI</small> <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Work / Residence</small>
	Address: _____ Fax: (____) _____ <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Number</small> <small style="margin-left: 100px;">Street</small>
	City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
	E-mail: _____
	Applicant's Signature: _____

AGRICULTURAL USE

I hereby state that this building is to be constructed **and** used as an agricultural building in accordance with Minnesota State Statute 326B103, Subd.3. Use of this building is limited to housing of farm implements, livestock or agricultural produce and/or products; and is on at least a contiguous acreage of ten acres or more, used during the **preceding year** for agricultural purposes. If for any reason, the use of this building is changed from the housing of farm implements, livestock or produce and/or products, I will acquire the required zoning and building permits.

REF: 326B103, Subd. 3; Section 273.13, Subd. 23 (e), (i) – See attached page for descriptions on sections of the Agricultural Land Use, please enter land use in the Agricultural Use space below:

Agricultural Acres: _____ **Parcel Size:** _____

Agricultural Use: _____

Owner's Name (please print): _____

Owner's Signature: _____ **Date:** ____/____/____
 (Required)

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ZONING REVIEW	Zoning District: _____ Site Plan: _____ Acres: _____ Required Setbacks: Front _____ Side _____ Rear _____ Side Street _____ Comments: _____ Zoning Administrator: _____ Date: ____/____/____
AQUIFER REVIEW	Well Const.: # _____ Well Sealing: # _____ ISTS: # _____ Comments: _____ Well/Septic Inspector: _____ Date: ____/____/____
BUILDING REVIEW	Comments: _____ Building Official: _____ Date: ____/____/____

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REF: 326B103, Subd. 3; Section 273.13, Subd. 23 (e), (i)

(e) Agricultural land as used in this section means:

(1) contiguous acreage of ten acres or more, used during the preceding year for agricultural purposes; or

(2) contiguous acreage used during the preceding year for an intensive livestock or poultry confinement operation, provided that land used only for pasturing or grazing does not qualify under this clause.

"Agricultural purposes" as used in this section means the raising, cultivation, drying, or storage of agricultural products for sale, or the storage of machinery or equipment used in support of agricultural production by the same farm entity. For a property to be classified as agricultural based only on the drying or storage of agricultural products, the products being dried or stored must have been produced by the same farm entity as the entity operating the drying or storage facility. "Agricultural purposes" also includes enrollment in a local conservation program or the Reinvest in Minnesota program under sections [103F.501](#) to [103F.535](#) or the federal Conservation Reserve Program as contained in Public Law 99-198 or a similar state or federal conservation program if the property was classified as agricultural (i) under this subdivision for taxes payable in 2003 because of its enrollment in a qualifying program and the land remains enrolled or (ii) in the year prior to its enrollment. For purposes of this section, a "local conservation program" means a program administered by a town, statutory or home rule charter city, or county, including a watershed district, water management organization, or soil and water conservation district, in which landowners voluntarily enroll land and receive incentive payments equal to at least \$50 per acre in exchange for use or other restrictions placed on the land. In order for property to qualify under the local conservation program provision, a taxpayer must apply to the assessor by February 1 of the assessment year and must submit the information required by the assessor, including but not limited to a copy of the program requirements, the specific agreement between the land owner and the local agency, if applicable, and a map of the conservation area. Agricultural classification shall not be based upon the market value of any residential structures on the parcel or contiguous parcels under the same ownership.

"Contiguous acreage," for purposes of this paragraph, means all of, or a contiguous portion of, a tax parcel as described in section [272.193](#), or all of, or a contiguous portion of, a set of contiguous tax parcels under that section that are owned by the same person.

(f) Agricultural land under this section also includes:

(1) contiguous acreage that is less than ten acres in size and exclusively used in the preceding year for raising or cultivating agricultural products; or

(2) contiguous acreage that contains a residence and is less than 11 acres in size, if the contiguous acreage exclusive of the house, garage, and surrounding one acre of land was used in the preceding year for one or more of the following three uses:

(i) for an intensive grain drying or storage operation, or for intensive machinery or equipment storage activities used to support agricultural activities on other parcels of property operated by the same farming entity;

(ii) as a nursery, provided that only those acres used intensively to produce nursery stock are considered agricultural land; or

(iii) for intensive market farming; for purposes of this paragraph, "market farming" means the cultivation of one or more fruits or vegetables or production of animal or other agricultural products for sale to local markets by the farmer or an organization with which the farmer is affiliated.

"Contiguous acreage," for purposes of this paragraph, means all of a tax parcel as described in section [272.193](#), or all of a set of contiguous tax parcels under that section that are owned by the same person.

(g) Land shall be classified as agricultural even if all or a portion of the agricultural use of that property is the leasing to, or use by another person for agricultural purposes.

Classification under this subdivision is not determinative for qualifying under section [273.111](#).

(h) The property classification under this section supersedes, for property tax purposes only, any locally administered agricultural policies or land use restrictions that define minimum or maximum farm acreage.

(i) The term "agricultural products" as used in this subdivision includes production for sale of:

(1) livestock, dairy animals, dairy products, poultry and poultry products, fur-bearing animals, horticultural and nursery stock, fruit of all kinds, vegetables, forage, grains, bees, and apiary products by the owner;

(2) aquacultural products for sale and consumption, as defined under section [17.47](#), if the aquaculture occurs on land zoned for agricultural use;

(3) the commercial boarding of horses, which may include related horse training and riding instruction, if the boarding is done on property that is also used for raising pasture to graze horses or raising or cultivating other agricultural products as defined in clause (1);

(4) property which is owned and operated by nonprofit organizations used for equestrian activities, excluding racing;

(5) game birds and waterfowl bred and raised (i) on a game farm licensed under section [97A.105](#), provided that the annual licensing report to the Department of Natural Resources, which must be submitted annually by March 30 to the assessor, indicates that at least 500 birds were raised or used for breeding stock on the property during the preceding year and that the owner provides a copy of the owner's most recent schedule F; or (ii) for use on a shooting preserve licensed under section [97A.115](#);

(6) insects primarily bred to be used as food for animals;

(7) trees, grown for sale as a crop, including short rotation woody crops, and not sold for timber, lumber, wood, or wood products; and

(8) maple syrup taken from trees grown by a person licensed by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture under chapter 28A as a food processor.