Producer Practices Checklists

RUMINANT CHECKLIST (CATTLE, GOATS, SHEEP) – DAIRY

Check appropriate description of your practices per UHFM definitions:

☐ Organic  ☐ Sustainable  ☐ Conventional

Housing

How many acres do your animals have access to?

How many animals of each type (estimated) live on that acreage? (For meat animals, estimate average head/day)

Cattle  Goats  Sheep/lambs

Which best describes your animals’ living situation:

☐ Pastured with continual access to graze/browse
☐ Housed indoors with daily access to pasture
☐ Dry lot (outdoors with no graze/browse)

Small ruminants: Do your animals have free access to dry shelter?  Y ☐  N ☐

Diet

Are your animals 100% grass fed?  Y ☐  N ☐

Does graze/browse of your land make up a significant % of your animals’ diet?  Y ☐  N ☐

Do you use any chemical fertilizers/herbicides/pesticides on your land?  Y ☐  N ☐

Do your animals require supplemental hay (non-graze/browse feed)?  Y ☐  N ☐
  If yes, does hay come from your own land?  Y ☐  N ☐
  Is your supplemental hay organic?  Y ☐  N ☐

Do you use supplemental grain feed?  Y ☐  N ☐
  Is your supplemental feed organic?  Y ☐  N ☐
  Is your supplemental feed non-GMO?  Y ☐  N ☐

Antibiotic Use

☐ Do not use at all, ever
☐ Give to sick animals with proven infections & follow withdrawal guidelines
☐ Give prophylactic doses at farmer’s discretion & follow withdrawal guidelines

Unsure ☐
Use routinely & follow withdrawal guidelines

**Pesticide Use (Internal and External parasites/flies)** (check all that apply)
- [ ] Use chemical wormers routinely & follow withdrawal guidelines
- [ ] Use chemical wormers as needed & follow withdrawal guidelines
- [ ] Use chemical fly treatments, externally
- [ ] Do not use chemical pesticide products ever

**Hormone Use**
- Do you use hormones for growth/gain/production?  [Y] [N]
- Do you use hormones for out of season breeding?  [Y] [N]

**RUMINANT CHECKLIST (CATTLE, GOATS, SHEEP) – MEAT**
Check appropriate description of you practices per UHFM definitions:
- [ ] Organic
- [ ] Sustainable
- [ ] Conventional

**Housing**
How many acres do your animals have access to?

How many animals of each type (estimated) live on that acreage? (For meat animals, estimate average head/day)

- Cattle
- Goats
- Sheep/lambs

Which best describes your animals’ living situation:
- [ ] Pastured with continual access to graze/browse
- [ ] Housed indoors with daily access to pasture
- [ ] Dry lot (outdoors with no graze/browse)

Small ruminants: Do your animals have free access to dry shelter?  [Y] [N]

**Diet**
Are all animals born on your farm to your stock?  [Y] [N]

Are your animals 100% grass fed?  [Y] [N]

Does graze/browse of your land make up a significant % of your animals’ diet?  [Y] [N]

Do you use any chemical fertilizers/herbicides/pesticides on your land?  [Y] [N]

Do your animals require supplemental hay (non-graze/browse feed)?  [Y] [N]
- If yes, does hay come from your own land?  [Y] [N]
- Is your supplemental hay organic?  [Y] [N]

Do you use supplemental grain feed?  [Y] [N]
- Is your supplemental feed organic?  [Y] [N]
- Is your supplemental feed non-GMO?  [Y] [N]
**Antibiotic Use**
- Do not use at all, ever
- Give to sick animals with proven infections & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Give prophylactic doses at farmer’s discretion & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Give to sick animals, but those animals do not get sold as meat

**Pesticide Use (Internal and External parasites/flies) (check all that apply)**
- Use chemical wormers routinely & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Use chemical wormers as needed & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Use chemical fly treatments, externally
- Do not use chemical pesticide products ever

**Hormone Use**
- Do you use hormones for growth/gain/production?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do you use hormones for out of season breeding?  
  - Y  
  - N

**SWINE CHECKLIST (MEAT)**
**Check appropriate description of you practices per UHFM definitions:**
- Organic
- Sustainable
- Conventional

**Housing**
- How many acres do your animals have access to?
- How many animals live on that acreage? (Estimate average head/day)
- Are all animals born on your farm to your stock?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do your animals have daily access to pasture?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do your animals have free access to dry shelter?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do you allow animals to root?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do animals have access to a wallow?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do you use farrowing crates?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do you dock tails?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do you notch ears?  
  - Y  
  - N

**Diet**
- Does graze/browse of your land make up a portion of your animals’ diet?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Do you use any chemical fertilizers/herbicides on your land?  
  - Y  
  - N
- Is your supplemental grain feed organic?  
  - Y  
  - N
**Antibiotic Use**

- Do not use at all, ever
- Give to sick animals with proven bacterial infections & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Give prophylactic doses at farmer’s discretion & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Use routinely & follow withdrawal guidelines

**Hormone Use**

- Do not use at all, ever
- Use for growth

**POULTRY CHECKLIST (MEAT/EGGS)**

Check appropriate description of your practices per UHFM definitions:

- Organic
- Sustainable
- Conventional

**Housing**

How many egg laying birds do you keep (estimated)?

- Are you birds kept in cages (e.g. battery cages)?
  - Y
  - N

- Are your birds kept primarily indoors?
  - Y
  - N

- Are your birds confined, but outdoors (e.g. chicken tractor)
  - Y
  - N

- Are your birds pastured/unconfined in daylight hours?
  - Y
  - N

Which of the following best describes how your layers are housed at night?

- caged
- enclosed in stationary housing
- enclosed in movable housing

Give the time span in which your birds are confined (i.e. 9pm-10am)

How many meat birds of each type do you keep (estimated average on any given day)

- Chickens
- Ducks
- Turkeys
- Other

- Are your birds kept primarily indoors?
  - Y
  - N

- Are your birds confined, but outdoors (e.g. chicken tractor)
  - Y
  - N

- Are your birds pastured/unconfined in daylight hours?
  - Y
  - N

Which of the following best describes how your meat birds are housed at night?

- caged
- enclosed in stationary housing
- enclosed in movable housing
Give the time span in which your birds are confined (i.e. 9pm-10am)

For water fowl (ducks/geese): Do birds have access to swimming water? Y□ N□

**Diet**
Does forage for grass/insects make up a portion of your animals’ diet? Y□ N□

Do you use any chemical fertilizers/herbicides/pesticides on your land? Y□ N□

Is your supplemental grain feed: certified organic? Y□ N□

Is your supplemental grain feed non-GMO? Y□ N□

Are your birds debeaked? Y□ N□

**Antibiotic/Medication Use** Check all that apply
- Use medicated (coccidistat) feed
- Use antibiotics in feed/water & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Use medications only when necessary & follow withdrawal guidelines
- Do not use antibiotics at all

**PRODUCE SCORECARD**
Check appropriate description of you practices per UHFM definitions:
- Organic
- Sustainable
- Natural
- Conventional

**Soil Management**
Check all soil management and soil fertility practices used:
- Cover crops
- Use of soil mixes
- Raw organic vegetable matter
- Other soil management practices (list):
- Mulching
- Raw animal manure
- Compost
- Soil amendments
- Aged manure
- Commercial fertilizers

**Crop Management**
Check all crop management practices used:
- Crop rotations
- Habitat for pollinators
- Other crop management practices (list):
- Fallow periods
- Intercropping

**Seed or Transplant Source(s):**

**Weed Management**
Check all weed management practices used:
- Hand cultivation
- Organic herbicides
- Other practices (list):
- Machine cultivation
- Synthetic herbicides
- Mulching
- Fire
Pest Management
Check all insect & pest management practices used:
☐ Crop rotation         ☐ Resistant crops         ☐ Hand-removal
☐ Release of beneficials ☐ Habitat for beneficials ☐ Organic pesticides
☐ Pheromone disruptors   ☐ Synthetic pesticides
☐ Other insect management practices (list):