



APPLICATION TO THE ASSESSOR FOR CLASSIFICATION OF LAND AS FARM LAND

Declaration of policy: it is hereby declared that it is in the public interest to encourage the preservation of farm land, forest land and open space land in order to maintain a readily available source of food and farm products close to the metropolitan areas of the state, to conserve the state's natural resources and to provide for the welfare and happiness of the inhabitants of the state [and] that it is in the public interest to prevent the forced conversion of farm land, forest land and open space land to more intensive uses as the result of economic pressures caused by the assessment thereof for the purposes of property taxation at values incompatible with their preservation as such farm land, forest land and open space land.

FILE A SEPARATE APPLICATION FOR EACH PARCEL. PLEASE PRINT. COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS. SEE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM. ATTACH ANY ADDITIONAL PAGES.

NEW APPLICATION, UPDATE APPLICATION (EXCEPTED TRANSFERS ONLY) ATTACH EXPLANATION, ACREAGE CHANGE ATTACH EXPLANATION, USE CHANGE ATTACH EXPLANATION

NAME OF ALL OWNERS, MAILING ADDRESS

CONTACT PERSON'S NAME, CONTACT PERSON'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, CONTACT PERSON'S E-MAIL ADDRESS, TYPE OF FARMING OPERATION, EQUIPMENT USED IN THE FARM OPERATION, TOTAL GROSS INCOME DERIVED FROM FARM OPERATION

Table with columns: PROPERTY LOCATION, OWNER'S ACREAGE ESTIMATE THIS TOWN ONLY, ASSESSOR'S ACREAGE ESTIMATE, ASSESSOR'S USE VALUE PER ACRE, USE ASSESSMENT. Rows include TILLABLE A-D, ORCHARD, PERMANENT PASTURE, WOODLAND, WASTELAND, and TOTAL.

PLEASE ATTACH A SKETCH OF YOUR FARM SHOWING THE LOCATION AND NUMBER OF ACRES IN EACH FARM USE

OWNER'S AFFIDAVIT (ALL OWNERS MUST SIGN)

I DO HEREBY DECLARE under the penalty of false statement that the statements made herein by me are true according to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I have received and reviewed § 12-504a through 12-504e, inclusive of the Connecticut General Statutes concerning a potential tax liability upon a change of ownership or use of this property.

OWNER'S SIGNATURE DATE SIGNED, OWNER'S SIGNATURE DATE SIGNED, OWNER'S SIGNATURE DATE SIGNED

ASSESSOR'S VERIFICATION SECTION

Table with columns: ACQUISITION DATE, DATE RECORDED, VOLUME/PAGE, MAP/BLOCK/LOT, TOTAL ACREAGE, TOTAL ACREAGE CLASSIFIED

APPLICATION APPROVED: YES; AS NOTED ABOVE, NO; REASON:

ASSESSOR

DATE



THIS SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED **ONLY IF** THE ACREAGE ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS APPLICATION IS LEASED OR RENTED.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ residing at \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF LESSEE/RENTER                      STREET NUMBER                      STREET NAME                      TOWN                      ZIP CODE

DO HEREBY DECLARE under penalty of false statement, that I am leasing/renting for farm purposes, the land at \_\_\_\_\_

STREET NAME                      TOWN                      STATE                      ASSESSOR'S MAP AND PARCEL

pursuant to a written lease or agreement that I entered into on \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_

DATE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED

\_\_\_\_\_

OWNER'S NAME                      STREET NUMBER                      STREET NAME                      TOWN/CITY                      STATE                      ZIP CODE

Such lease/rental commences on \_\_\_\_\_ and terminates on \_\_\_\_\_

MONTH/DATE/YEAR                      MONTH/DATE/YEAR

The lease/rental amount is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per  acre  month  year.

\_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF LESSEE/RENTER                      DATE SIGNED

#### APPLICANT FILING INFORMATION: APPLICATION TO THE ASSESSOR FOR CLASSIFICATION OF LAND AS FARM LAND

The term "farm land" means any tract or tracts of land, including woodland and wasteland, constituting a farm unit.

In determining whether land is farm land, the assessor shall take into account, among other things, the acreage of such land, the portion thereof in actual use for farming or agricultural operations, the productivity of such land, the gross income derived therefrom, the nature and value of the equipment used in connection therewith, and the extent to which the tracts comprising such land are contiguous.

An application for farm land classification must be filed on this form, as prescribed by the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture, pursuant to §12-107c (b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The property owner (or owners) must complete this form and file it with the assessor of the town where the farm land is situated. If there is more than one owner, each must sign the application. The filing period is between September 1st and October 31st, except in a year in which a revaluation of all real property is effective, in which case the filing deadline is December 30th.

Failure to file in the proper manner and form is considered a waiver of the classification under §12-107c(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

A separate application must be filed for each parcel of land.

You are responsible for contacting the assessor to update your application if there is a change in use, acreage or ownership of this property after the assessor approves its classification.

**If there is a change of use or a sale of the classified land, the classification ceases (pursuant to §12-504h of the Connecticut General Statutes) and you may be liable for an additional conveyance tax.**

Please review the attached copies of the statutes concerning the imposition of this tax (§12-504a through §2-504e, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes).

Please be advised that the assessor may require information in addition to that contained in this application in order to make a determination regarding classification.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE ASSESSOR:

Forward a completed copy of this application and a copy of the property record card (a.k.a., field card) to the applicant.

Forward a copy of the above lease/rental statement to: CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BUREAU OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND RESOURCE CONSERVATION  
165 CAPITOL AVENUE, ROOM 127  
HARTFORD, CT 06106