| OLP 09: Dairy | USDA Organic Regulations §205.236(a)(2), 205.236(b)(1-2) |
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| 1. **DESCRIPTION OF DAIRY STOCK** 2. Describe your dairy stock in the table below.  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Livestock Class** *(e.g., cows, goats, sheep)* | **Types or Breeds** | **# of Animals** | **Average adult body weight** | **Products**  *(e.g., milk, live animals)* | |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  1. What is the herd’s lactation schedule?   Continuous (animals rotated through lactation for continuous milk production)  Seasonal (dairy animals cycle through lactation and dry period on same schedule). Describe schedule:   1. What is the average number of animals in lactation at the same time? 2. Average daily milk production:       lbs. per day per  animal  entire herd 3. How frequently are cows milked each day (24-hour period)?  Once  Twice  Other. Please specify: 4. How does the milking schedule ensure sufficient grazing time to meet DMI requirements during the grazing season?      1. Where do you sell/plan to sell your organic milk? Check all that apply.   Cooperative  Direct to consumers  CSA  Other. Please specify:   1. Do you sell or plan to sell any organic or transitioned dairy animals? Check all that apply.   No, I do not sell any organic or transitioned dairy animals  Yes, I sell animals that have been managed organically from the last third of gestation as organic  Yes, I sell transitioned animals as non-organic  *Organic operations may not source transitioned dairy animals from another operation after April 5, 2023.* | |
| 1. **MILKING EQUIPMENT AND SANITATION**   *All udder treatments, teat dips, cleaners and sanitizers used on livestock or on milking equipment must be listed in* ***OLP 04*: *Livestock Production Inputs.***   1. Describe your operation’s milking system. Check all that apply.  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Parlor with pipeline | Parlor without pipeline | Tie stall with cans | | Robotic milking | Other. Please describe: | |  1. List all equipment with which organic milk comes into contact, including milking equipment, pipes, and milk storage tank.  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Equipment Name** | **Dedicated organic?** | **Cleaned/purged prior to organic production?** | **Cleaning/Purging Procedure** | **Rinsed after sanitizing?** | |  | Yes  No | Yes  No | **Attached** | Yes  No | |  | Yes  No | Yes  No | **Attached** | Yes  No | |  | Yes  No | Yes  No | **Attached** | Yes  No | |  | Yes  No | Yes  No | **Attached** | Yes  No | | |
| 1. **TRANSITIONED ANIMALS**   *A dairy operation that is not certified for organic livestock and has never transitioned dairy animals may transition nonorganic animals to organic production only once. After the one-time transition is complete, the operation may not transition additional animals or source transitioned animals from other operations; the operation must source only animals that have been under continuous organic management from the last third of gestation.*   1. Has this operation ever transitioned a nonorganic dairy herd to organic production?   Yes. List end date of herd transition:        No   1. Are you currently transitioning or planning to transition an entire, distinct herd to organic production?   Yes  No*. Skip to Section D.*   1. What is the anticipated start and end date of your one-time transition, and when do you anticipate selling milk from transitioning animals as organic?  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Herd ID: | Transition start date: | Transition end date (expected): | Organic milk shipment date (expected): |  1. Does your operation provide third-year transitional crops/pasture to transitioning livestock? Check all that apply.   *Third-year transitional crops are crops and forage from land included in the Organic System Plan of an operation that is not certified organic but is in the third year of organic management and is eligible for organic certification in one year or less.*  Yes, I feed third-year transitional crops/pasture that come from this operation  Yes, I feed third-year transitional crops/pasture that come from another operation  No, I only provide certified organic crops to transitioning animals. *Skip to Question 7*.  Other. Please describe:   1. How do you document the third-year transitional crop status of feed in feeding records, and to which group(s) of animals is feed provided (e.g., offspring, dams, cows)?  *N/A, I only provide certified organic crops to transitioning animals*      1. On what date was/will the feeding of third-year transitional crops/pasture be discontinued and replaced with only organic feed?      1. Will any bred animals and/or their offspring be consuming third-year transitional crops/pasture? Check all that apply.   *Offspring born during or after the 12-month transition period are transitioned animals if they consume third-year transitional crops during the transition or if the mother consumes third-year transitional crops during the offspring’s last third of gestation.*  Yes, offspring will consume third-year transitional crops/pasture. ***Offspring must be identified as transitional on the herd list.***  Yes, dams will consume third-year transitional crops/pasture during the last third of gestation and/or while nursing. ***Offspring must be identified as transitional on the herd list.***  No, all breeder stock and their offspring will only consume organic crops/pasture. | |
| 1. **LIVESTOCK SOURCING**   *Livestock products that are to be sold, labeled, or represented as organic must be from livestock under continuous organic management from the last third of gestation.*   1. Have all organic dairy animals been under continuous organic management from the last third of gestation or after completing transition?  Yes  No 2. Describe your plan for sourcing replacement dairy animals for your herd.   All replacement animals will be born on my operation  I purchase new replacement animals. List suppliers in the table below.   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Supplier Name** | **Supplier Certifier** | **Livestock Type** (e.g. breeder stock, dairy cows) | | **Organic?** | |  |  |  |  | Yes  No | |  |  |  |  | Yes  No | |  |  |  |  | Yes  No |   Other. Please describe:   1. Do you source breeder stock from off-farm?   Yes, and I only source breeder stock that are certified organic.  Yes, nonorganic breeder stock are brought onsite before the last third of gestation of their offspring and they are managed organically through the last third of gestation and nursing  No, I only use my own breeder stock raised on-farm  Other. Please describe:   1. How do you ensure that milk from nonorganic breeder stock is provided only to their offspring?  *N/A, I only use certified organic breeder stock*      1. Please complete the following herd list for all animals requested for certification. Attach additional pages if necessary. *Please have records available for review at inspection.* | |

| **OLP 9D: Dairy Herd List** | | | | | | | | | |
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