

Vermont Farm to Family Program
Farm Stand Federal Taxpayer Identification Number Assurance

1. Name of farm stand: _____
2. 9-digit federal Employer Identification Number (EIN) assigned by IRS to, or used by, the farm stand for financial purposes: _____ - _____
3. What is the full name of the business or organization to which the Internal Revenue Service assigned the EIN listed in #2?
 - Same as farm stand name on line 1, OR
 - The following business/organization/municipality (*specify*):Business Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____

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Farms Stand Assurance Regarding the Business Entity Assigned the Above EIN

The term "entity" in the following assurances means the farm stand or its sponsor identified in #3 above.

- a) The farm stand understands that all entities must comply with any applicable federal or state tax laws, including income tax withholding for employees performing services within the State, payment of use tax on property used within the State, and corporate and/or personal income tax on income earned within the State.
- b) The market understands that state law (32 VSA Section 3113) identifies an entity as being in good standing with the Vermont Department of Taxes if:
 - (i) no taxes are due and payable and all returns have been filed;
 - (ii) the liability for any taxes due and payable is on appeal;
 - (iii) the entity is in compliance with a payment plan approved by the Vermont Department of Taxes; or
 - (iv) in the case of a licensee, the agency finds that requiring immediate payment of taxes due and payable would impose an unreasonable hardship.
- c) The farm stand understands that the Vermont Department of Taxes may withhold Farm to Family Program payments to the farm stand if the entity assigned the above EIN is not in good standing with that Department.
- d) The farm stand certifies that, to the best of its knowledge as of the date this document is signed below, the entity identified above is good standing with the Vermont Department of Taxes.

Certification by Authorized Farm Stand Representative:

Signature: _____ Date signed: _____

Printed or typed name of the person signing this form: _____

Purpose of Vermont Farm to Family Program
Federal Taxpayer ID Number Assurance Form

Farm to Family payments are only made to farm stands or their sponsoring organizations. The state Finance Department requires each farm stand to have a federal Employer Identification Number (EIN). It also needs certain bank account data for farm stands that receive program payments by direct deposit instead of paper checks.

Payments to the farm stand may be automatically diverted to the VT Tax Department if the farm stand – or other entity assigned the EIN used by the farm stand – is not in good standing with that Department. The law reasonably says that the State should not send money to any entity that owes them back taxes and did not make a good faith effort to address a problem the Department had notified them about. The Tax Department will answer questions, correct errors or work out arrangements as needed to bring an entity back into good standing.

The form requests the current federal EIN data for the farm stand. Its assurance section cites the Vermont law and requires the farm stand's signature.

Respond to all 3 questions on the form, sign it at the bottom. It must accompany the other Farm to Family Program paperwork for the farm stand to be in this year's program. It is required annually.

The farm stand is advised to make a copy of the completed form for its own records.

Please direct any questions about this form to the program coordinator at 802-241-0600 (ahs.dcffarmtofamily@vermont.gov).