



**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

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**EL DORADO COUNTY CERTIFIED PRODUCER'S
CERTIFICATE APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

New and renewing applications must complete the following questions and provide the specified documents in accordance with changes to the California Code of Regulations, Sections 1392.4, 1392.9 and 1392.9.1 (effective January 8, 2000).

1. In spaces below, please list all counties you plan to participate in as a certified producer:

2. In spaces below, please list all markets you plan to participate in as a certified producer:
Example: Placerville, Town Center in El Dorado Hills, South Lake Tahoe, etc.

3. Are you authorized to sell for any other certified producers? Yes No
If yes, written authorization (see attached form) must be presented, and the names of the certified producers you represent must be put on your certificate. You may sell for no more than 2 other certified producers in a 12-month period.
4. Do you authorize any certified producers to sell for you? Yes No
If yes, their names must be put on your certificate. No more than 2 certified producers may sell on your behalf in a 12-month period.
5. Are you applying for a certified producer's certificate based on being in a farming partnership sharecropping agreement, or similar contractual agreement? Yes No
If yes, proof of partnership or a copy of the current written agreement must be provided to the Agricultural Commissioner at the time of the application. The information must contain all of the following details:
- ✓ A clear description of the size and location of the property.
 - ✓ The degree of financial and material involvement by each party.
 - ✓ The date of the agreement.
 - ✓ NOTARIZED signatures of all parties executing the agreement.
6. Are you leasing the farm property on which the certified agricultural products are produced? Yes No
If yes, a copy of the current written lease agreement must be provided to the Agricultural Commissioner at the time of application, with the following details:
- ✓ A clear description of the size and location of the property.
 - ✓ The cost of the lease.
 - ✓ The date of the agreement.
 - ✓ NOTARIZED signatures of all parties executing the agreement.

You must have entered into agreements prior to: (1) bloom of tree and vine crops, (2) planting of annual or biannual crops, (3) or within 30 days after preparing perennial field crops for subsequent cropping patterns.

Producer's Signature

Certificate Number

Date

Certified Producer’s Authorization to Sell

I, _____ , a certified producer who holds certified
(Name of certified producer giving consent)
producer's certificate number _____ issued in _____ ,
(Certificate number) (County)
authorize _____ to sell on my behalf in accordance
with the California Code of Regulations, Title 3, Article 6.5, Section 1392.4(g).

Signature Date

Section 1392.4 Conditions of Direct Marketing

(f) A certified farmer's market may allow, or prohibit, a certified producer or his/her immediate family member or employee to sell at that market certified agricultural products on behalf of a maximum of two other certified producers. If such practice is allowed, the following provisions shall be met by the certified producer and shall be specified in the certified farmer's market's rules and regulations:

- 1) A certified producer shall not represent, nor be represented by more than two other certified producers in a 12-month period.
- 2) Each certified producer's certified agricultural products to be sold or offered for sale shall be separated and identifiable by each certified producer's valid certificate at the point of sale.
- 3) The name of the certified producer for whom another certified producer is selling shall appear on the certificate of the person selling his/her products at a certified farmer’s market.
- 4) The name of the certified producer who is selling the products of another certified producer shall appear on the certificate of the person for whom he/she is selling.
- 5) The certified producer selling for another certified producer shall be selling or offering for sale, at the same certified farmers’ market on the same day, certified agricultural products which he/she has produced and which are in greater volume than the volume offered for sale for the other certified producer. For purposes of this section, the volume shall be measured by the weight or dollar value of the products at the time and point of sale. This volume requirement shall apply only at the beginning of each day of sale.
- 6) The producer applying for certification shall obtain and submit to the agricultural commissioner, prior to certification, **written authority from said other certified producers to sell on their behalf.**
- 7) Commission sales and buying and selling between certified producers is prohibited. Any payment made for the service of one certified producer selling for another certified producer shall not be related to the volume or value of the products sold.
- 8) The operator of a certified farmer's market may prohibit or otherwise establish rules regarding sales permitted under this subsection that are more restrictive, provided that such prohibition or restriction is contained in the market's rules and regulations.
- 9) A certified producer who sells certified agricultural products on behalf of another certified producer or whose products are sold by another certified producer at a certified farmer's market shall keep for a period of not less than three years, the following records relating to such products:
 - (i) Date and amount of products transferred by variety.
 - (ii) Date and amount of products sold by variety.
 - (iii) Names of both certified producers involved.
- 10) A certified producer subject to this subdivision shall produce, for inspection, records required by this section upon demand of a representative of the department or county agricultural commissioner.