

LAND APPLICATION OF MANURE

A Supplement to Manure Management for Environmental Protection

MANURE MANAGEMENT PLAN SHORT FORM

**May Be Completed, Implemented, and Retained
By Agricultural Operations that Land Apply Manure and
Meet the Criteria in the Manure Management Information
Section of the Manure Management Plan Short Form
To Meet the Manure Management Planning Requirements
Described in 25 Pa. Code § 91.36(b).**

MANURE MANAGEMENT PLAN SHORT FORM INSTRUCTIONS

The Manure Management Plan Short Form (Short Form) Instructions describe the required criteria for developing and implementing a manure management plan using the Short Form standard format.

The Short Form includes general operational information and a series of Yes, No, or Not Applicable (NA) questions. Review each question carefully and answer based on the current and continued planned management of any manure that is generated or applied under your management control.

If you answer "Yes" or "NA" to all of the questions found in the Manure Management Information section of this Short Form, no additional documentation is necessary unless it is requested by DEP or a delegated county conservation district.

If you cannot answer "YES" or "NA" to all of items in the Manure Management Information section, you must meet the requirements described in 25 Pa. Code § 91.36(b) in another way. If properly completed, the Manure Management Plan Workbook in Land Application of Manure; Manure Management Plan Guidance (361-0300-002) would meet the regulatory requirements.

1. Contact Information

Insert the contact information for the agricultural operation, including both the name of operator and landowner, operation address, and operator phone and email address. In the final line of the contact information, note the date the plan was developed.

2. General Information

Identify basic information about the operation in the space provided:

- a. Total acres of land receiving manure (pasture, garden, crop) – include all acres receiving manure regardless of whether the manure is directly applied by pastured animals or mechanically applied using a manure spreader, horse-drawn equipment, pitchfork, or any other means.
- b. Animal Information – provide the animal type for all animals on the operation, number of animals of that animal type on a normal production day, weight per animal unit (refer to Agronomy Facts 54 found in Appendix 2), and days per year on the operation. Use additional sheets as necessary.

3. Manure Management Information

The Manure Management Information section of the Short Form is a series of Yes, No, or Not Applicable (NA) questions.

Identify the appropriate response for all items on the Short Form.

Items a. and b. should be consistent with the General Information section of the Short Form.

The following equation should be used to determine the minimum acreage of land receiving manure in item b.:

Total pounds of livestock or poultry ÷ 1,000 = minimum acreage of land receiving manure required to utilize short form.

Examples: 1 light horse totaling 1,100 pounds, would require a minimum of 1.1 acres receiving manure and five medium ewes totaling 875 pounds would require a minimum of 0.875 acres receiving manure.

Next Steps

If a response of "Yes" or "NA" has been recorded to all of the questions found in the Manure Management Information section of this Short Form and all sections of the Short Form are complete, the Manure Management Plan Short Form becomes the agricultural operation's Manure Management Plan which must be implemented pursuant to 25 Pa. Code § 91.36(b).

The Manure Management Plan Short Form should be maintained on the operation and made available to staff from DEP or county conservation district upon request.

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