

APPLICATION FOR THE USE OF THE RHODE ISLAND

AGRICULTURAL/FISHERIES-SERVICEMARK

I have read the rules and regulations adopted by the Director of the Department of Environmental Management governing the use of the official state servicemark used for identifying Rhode Island agricultural and fisheries products and, am requesting a permit to use said design under the above mentioned rules and regulations.

I agree to comply with the terms of this permit, to cooperate with the Department and any of its authorized agents in carrying out the requirements of this permit.

_____ Date _____ Signature of Applicant _____

Type of Business: Producer Distributor/Processor

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Name/Type of Product:

Total Acres _____

Acres in crop(s) _____ Type of crop(s) _____

Present form or marketing (check one)

Wholesale _____ Retail _____ Pick Your Own _____ Other _____

Mail to:

Department of Environmental Management
Division of Agriculture
& Resource Marketing
235 Promenade Street
Room 370
Providence, Rhode Island 02908

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
RULES AND REGULATIONS
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RHODE ISLAND
AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES PRODUCTS IDENTIFICATION SERVICEMARK

Section 1. Definitions:

Director - Director of the Department of Environmental Management.

Department - Department of Environmental Management

Label - Any label, tag or imprint with official servicemark thereon.

Official Grades - Agricultural commodity grades as promulgated by the director, provided, however, in the absence of an official Rhode Island grade, the grade established by the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States shall serve.

Servicemark: Servicemark - of the Department of Environmental Management registered with the Rhode Island Secretary of State.

Section 2. Application: Any applicant desiring to use the Department's registered servicemark on fresh or processed Rhode Island agricultural or fisheries products and is lawfully marketing such products, shall make application to the Department on a form provided by said Department.

Section 3. Acceptances: Before such application is approved or rejected by the Department, a survey will be made by the Department to determine if said applicant can reasonably comply with the rules and regulations for the particular product or products named in said application. The director, after reviewing the survey information, may approve or reject the same for good and sufficient reasons. If approved, an authorization number shall be issued to said applicant by the Department.

Section 4. Authorization Number: Authorization number so assigned by the director to an authorized applicant shall remain with the applicant during his active participation in the program, and shall not be assigned or transferable.

Section 5. Authorization Certificate: Authorization certificate carrying the authorization number assigned by the Department shall be issued by said Department and shall be on display in the principle place of business of the applicant within the state.

Section 6. Official Specifications: The servicemark shall not be used unless the agricultural and fisheries products so labeled are in compliance with the official grade specifications established for the product.

Section 7. Penalty for Violations: The director may revoke the right to use or suspend such use of the servicemark for good and sufficient reasons. In the case of such revocation or suspension, the applicant shall have the right to be heard. Notice of such hearing must be given within thirty days of revocation and notice of such hearing shall be served personally or by certified mail at least ten days prior to such hearing.

Section 8. Amendments: The director may amend these rules and regulations at any time, as he deems necessary.