

DEADLINES FOR OPERATIONS CURRENTLY CERTIFIED BY MOFGA: Regardless of when you were certified or when you filed an update in 2011, these deadlines apply to you in 2012. The only exceptions are those granted in writing by MCS.

Deadlines for completing the 2012 update:

Certified Sugarbush Farm (Maple Syrup)	21 February 2012
Certified Dairy	1 March 2012
Certified Farm	18 March 2012
Certified Processor/Handler	<i>May vary by producer; many are due 27 Aug 2012</i>
Certified Winter Greenhouse Production	<i>Varies by operation.</i>

DEADLINES FOR APPLICANTS: If you are **NOT** certified or did not file an update in 2012 you are considered an **applicant**. The following deadlines apply to you.

TYPE OF PRODUCTION	DEADLINES
Dairy	If you are transitioning a herd, you must file the "INTENT TO TRANSITION" form during the first month of the transition year. Information about submitting a full application is on page 15. Call MCS for more information. If you are buying already certified animals and using on-farm forage and feeds, application must be received at the start of the growing season and in time for an inspector to see fields and crops. Call MCS for more information.
Farms: Any size with CROPS	24 April 2012 Applications received after 24 April must include a late fee. Applications will not be accepted after 30 June 2012.
Farms: Any size, LIVESTOCK ONLY	If livestock species consumes primarily purchased feeds, then application can be accepted year-round. If livestock species consumes primarily on-farm pasture or crops, then application must be submitted at the start of the growing season and in time for an inspector to see fields and crops. Call MCS for more information.
Processors/Handlers	Applications are accepted year-round.
Maple Syrup Operations	14 February 2012
Winter Greenhouse Production	5 November 2012

If you submit your application after the deadline for your type of operation, then you must include a late fee in your fees schedule on the green fee form.