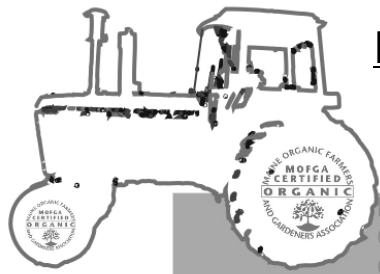


2012 Organic Growers Meeting Announcement

Marketing Opportunities Farm Food Safety Seminar



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Does your farm have additional capacity? Are you interested in new markets? Federal and State food safety legislation and rules are affecting how farmers grow, harvest, process, package and market their products. A pro-active approach to Farm Food Safety can help you gain access to new markets like hospitals, institutions, and value-added producers.

Join the staff of MOFGA's Agricultural Services and Certification programs for a daylong workshop on Farm Food Safety, Crop Insurance, Technical Assistance, Marketing and Organic Certification. MOFGA wants your feedback on how to improve the services it offers organic producers throughout the state.

Each meeting will run from 9 am until 3pm, lunch will be provided. All farmers are welcome!
Five opportunities to attend:

February 15—Common Ground Education Center, Unity ME

February 29—Royal River Natural Foods, Freeport ME

March 14—Ellsworth City Hall, Ellsworth ME

March 28—The Crow's Nest Restaurant, Presque Isle

April 11—West Farmington Grange, Farmington

Hue Karreman, VMD, will join us in the afternoon on April 11 to discuss organic health care for livestock.

Schedule

9:00-9:30 am Registration. Liability and Crop insurance information

9:30-12 noon Opening New Markets: Components of Farm Food Safety

12:00-1:00 pm Lunch

1:00-2:00 pm Certification Discussion/ Feedback. Staff picks for discussion topics include Lot Numbering, Promoting the MOFGA Certified Organic Label, Organic Planting Stock, Animal Records. Come with questions! (Hue Karreman will be our guest presenter on 11 April)

2:00-3:00 pm Ag Services: Crop Rotation & Cover Crops (Hue Karreman will be our guest presenter on 11 April)

Certification Application Clinic—Those interested in applying for organic certification are welcome to attend the Growers Meeting. Staff will be on hand to help you with the forms.

Please RSVP for your Growers Meeting

by calling 568-4142 or scanning this QR code or emailing rsvp@mofga.org

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Because we are offering 5 meeting opportunities around Maine there will be no snow dates. Please call the office the day of event in inclement weather to obtain cancellation information.

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