

# MICHIGAN CENTENNIAL FARM PROGRAM

## Application for Bicentennial Certification



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### SECTION 1: BASIC FARM INFORMATION

Farm's Founding Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Farm's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Township: \_\_\_\_\_

In what year was the farm purchased by its founding owners? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres were in the original purchase? \_\_\_\_\_

In what year was the farm certified as a Centennial Farm by the Centennial Farm Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Has any part of the certified farm been sold since certification? Circle one: YES NO

Number of acres currently owned: \_\_\_\_\_ Electric Company: \_\_\_\_\_

List the farm's major products today: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 3: CURRENT FARM OWNER INFORMATION

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Did you own the farm at the time it was certified as a Centennial Farm by the Centennial Farm Program?

Circle one: YES NO

**If yes**, please move on to Section 4.

**If no**, what is your relation to the person who was the owner at the time of certification? \_\_\_\_\_

**If no**, on what date did you purchase the farm? \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 4: CONTACT AND SHIPPING INFORMATION

The marker will be shipped to the current farm owner at the farm's address unless otherwise requested:

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 5: BICENTENNIAL FARM DESIGNATION REQUEST

By submitting this completed form, I am requesting that my farm be certified as a Michigan Bicentennial Farm by the Historical Society of Michigan (HSM). I understand that, to be designated as a Bicentennial Farm, a property must be a working farm of 10 or more acres that has been continuously owned by the same family for at least 200 years. Also, the farm must already be certified as a Centennial Farm by the Centennial Farm Program.

The information submitted on this form is accurate to the best of my ability. I understand that HSM may attempt to verify the history of ownership with an outside organization or business, and I give my permission to share information from this form for this purpose. HSM may also contact me for additional information or missing information.

Furthermore, I agree to allow HSM to make information available about my property when certified as a Michigan Bicentennial Farm. This includes historical information about the farm, the address of the property as part of a list of certified farms, and the name of the owner(s) and original owner as indicated above. I also agree to allow HSM to use information provided as part of the application in HSM publications.

I have enclosed the following materials to complete this application:

- A completed Michigan Bicentennial Farm Certification Application
- A non-refundable \$95 application fee, which includes the cost of the sign
- Documentation (i.e., deeds, mortgages, or land contracts) to support any changes in the farm's ownership since its last certification through the Centennial Farm Program
- A recent tax bill to evidence current ownership

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Return the completed application and application fee\* to:

**Centennial Farm Program**  
The Historical Society of Michigan  
5815 Executive Drive  
Lansing, MI 48911

Phone (517) 324-1828

\*Your application fee can be submitted via check or money order. Do NOT send cash. To charge your application fee to a major credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express), please see the next page.

**FOR PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD ONLY**

To charge your application fee to a major credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express), please complete the following form. Do NOT complete this page if paying the application fee by check or money order.

<b>APPLICATION TYPE</b>	<b>PRICE</b>
Bicentennial Certification	\$95

Credit Card Type:    Visa    MasterCard    American Express    Discover

Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
(3-DIGIT CODE ON BACK OF CARD)

I authorize the Historical Society of Michigan to charge the Bicentennial Certification Application Fee to my credit card.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_