

Agricultural Report

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AGRICULTURAL LICENSES PROTECT HUMANS, ANIMALS, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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No one has ever been excited about having to get a license, but understanding the reasons behind the licenses and their associated fees can make the process a little more bearable.

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture (DoAg) licenses businesses and individuals to help protect and enhance the health and welfare of the general public, animals, and the environment.

DoAg's licensing unit processes more than 25 different types of agricultural licenses, including dairy, commercial feed and fertilizer, pet facilities, and even poultry slaughter facilities.

Approximately 6,500 licenses and permits are processed each year, and the fees collected help to protect both the human and animal populations of Connecticut.

A number of DoAg's licenses apply to the care and safety of domestic animals. Whether purchasing a cat or dog from a pet store, or entrusting a pet to a commercial kennel or grooming shop, pet owners can be confident that licensed facilities have been inspected for cleanliness, safety, and zoning conformance. Using an unlicensed facility offers none of these assurances.

All entities that transport cats and dogs into Connecticut are required to be registered as animal importers. The regulations require the importers to file a notice with DoAg detailing the animals to be transported and their destination before the cats and dogs are brought into Connecticut.

The importers must submit

health certificates for each animal, which certify that the animal has been examined by a veterinarian within the prior 30 days, is free of disease, and in good health. Importers who are not licensed are subject to fines and/or arrest. Adoption of these regulations has reduced the number of animals entering our state with serious and expensive health issues.

As of October 1, 2017, all animal shelters must be licensed by DoAg. State animal control officers are inspecting these shelters for sanitation, disease, and humane treatment of companion pets. By licensing and inspecting these facilities, DoAg is protecting often vulnerable animals that cannot speak for themselves.

In order to guarantee the safety of milk products, DoAg licenses and regulates the entire process from farm to retail store. Milk samples from producing farms are shipped to labs and tested for bacteria, antibiotics, and milk quality. The lab reports are reviewed by dairy inspectors, who follow up with farms to correct any violations.

Tankers that transport milk are also licensed by DoAg and are inspected regularly. Employees of the milk transport companies that take milk samples and conduct onsite tests of the milk are licensed as milk examiners. Evaluated biennially by DoAg inspectors, these milk examiners verify that the milk being delivered is absent of any antibiotics.

In-state plants that process raw milk into pasteurized milk, yogurt, and cream are also li-



Connecticut Department of Agriculture Milk Safety Division representative, James Allyn reviews inspection information on a milk transport tanker truck.

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NORTHEAST EGGS/USDA

Per doz. Grade A and Grade A white in cartons to retailers (volume buyers)

XTRA LARGE	1.01	1.28
LARGE	.95	1.09
MEDIUM	.48	.61

NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS

Per doz. Grade A brown in carton delivered store door. (Range)

XTRA LARGE	1.68	1.85
LARGE	1.55	1.75
MEDIUM	1.09	1.20
SMALL	.82	.92

LANCASTER, PA LIVESTOCK

Avg. Dressing. Per cwt. Unless noted

SLAUGHTER STEERS		
Hi Ch/Prime 3-4	112.00	116.00
Choice 2-3	108.00	110.00
Select 1-2	103.00	108.00
SLAUGHTER HOLSTEINS		
Hi Ch/Prime 3-4	82.00	84.50
Choice 1-2	78.00	81.00
Select 1-2	72.00	77.00
SLAUGHTER COWS Avg. Dressing		
breakers 75-80% lean	56.00	59.00
boners 80-85% lean	55.00	59.50
lean 88-90% lean	46.00	53.00
CALVES - Graded bull		
No 1 100-118 lbs	162.00	165.00
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Woolled & Shorn		
Markets: Choice and Prime 2-3		
90-110 lbs	180.00	205.00
110-130 lbs	180.00	200.00
SLAUGHTER EWES: Good 2-3		
80-120 lbs	80.00	110.00
120-160 lbs	75.00	90.00
160-200 lbs	75.00	95.00
200-300 lbs	70.00	90.00
SLAUGHTER KIDS: Sel 1		
40-60 lbs	147.00	160.00
60-80 lbs	165.00	190.00
SLAUGHTER NANNIES/DOES: Sel 1		
80-130 lbs	180.00	230.00
130-180 lbs	225.00	250.00
SLAUGHTER BUCKS/BILLIES: Sel 1		
150-300 lbs	295.00	370.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA. DAIRY REPORT

July 25, 2018

FRESH COWS		
APPROVED	700.00	975.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA. HOG AUCTION

Per cwt.

SLAUGHTER HOGS		
52-56	200-300 lbs	38.00 59.00
	300-350 lbs	41.00 50.00
48-52	200-300 lbs	38.00 56.00
	300-350 lbs	35.00 46.00
Sows, US 1-3		
	500-850 lbs	30.00 36.00
Boars		
	400-700 lbs	5.00 5.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA HAY REPORT

Price per ton, small squares. July 27, 2018.

Alfalfa/Grass-Supreme	320.00	350.00
Alfalfa/Grass-Premium	280.00	300.00
Alfalfa/Grass-Good	180.00	255.00
Alfalfa/Grass-Fair	155.00	165.00
Grass Hays-Good	185.00	230.00
Grass Hays-Fair	155.00	160.00

WHOLESALE FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Boston Terminal and Wholesale Grower Prices CONNECTICUT AND NEW ENGLAND GROWN

	LOW	HIGH
ALFALFA SPROUTS, 5 LBS	14.00	15.00
APPLE, CORTLAND, FCY, 12-3LB	20.00	21.00
APPLE, MAC, XFCY, TRYPK, 88	30.00	31.00
APPLE, MAC, XFCY, TRYPK, 100	24.00	24.00
APPLE, MAC, XFCY, TRYPK, 125	16.00	18.00
APPLE, MAC, XFCY, TRYPK 138	16.00	18.00
BEANS, RND GRN, MACH PK, BU	28.00	30.00
BEANS, POLE, BU	28.00	30.00
BEANS, WAX, BU	28.00	32.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 10 LBS	6.00	7.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 12-12 OZ	12.00	15.00
BEETS, RED, 12 BN/CTN	13.00	18.00
BEETS, CHIOGGA, 25 LB LOOSE	22.00	25.00
BLUEBERRIES, 12-1 PINT, L	30.00	36.00
BROCCOLI, CROWN, 20 LB	17.00	18.00
CIDER, 4-1 GALLON	22.00	22.00
CIDER, 9-1/2 GALLON	26.00	26.00
CORN-SWEET, BAG, 5 DOZEN	12.00	15.00
COLLARDS, 12 BNCH/CTN	13.00	14.00
CUKES, 1-1/9, M	20.00	24.00
EGGPLANT, 1-1/9, M	14.00	18.00
KALE, GRN, 12 BNCH/CTN	13.00	14.00
PARSNIPS, 20 LB LOOSE, MED	23.00	25.00
PARSNIPS, 18-1 LB, MEDIUM	20.00	25.00
PEPPER, GRN, 1 -1/9, JMBO	23.00	25.00
PEPPER, CUBAN, 1-1/9, M-L	18.00	22.00
PEPPER, JALEP, 1-1/9, M-L	24.00	26.00
PEPPER, LNGHOT, 1-1/9	16.00	20.00
PEPPER, POBLANO, 1-1/9	20.00	22.00
RHUBARB, OPNFIELD, 20 LB	35.00	36.00
SQUASH, ACORN, 1-1/9 M-L	18.00	22.00
SQUASH, BUTTERCUP, 1-1/9, M-L	18.00	22.00
SQUASH, BTTRNT, 1-1/9, M-L	18.00	22.00
SQUASH, KABOCHA, 1-1/9, M-L	18.00	22.00
SQUASH, SPAGHET, 1-1/9, M-L	18.00	22.00
SQUASH, YLWSTRNCK, 1/2 BU, M	6.00	10.00
SQUASH, YLWSTRNCK, 1/2 BU, S	10.00	12.00
SQUASH, ZUCH, 1/2 BU, M	6.00	10.00
SQUASH, ZUCH, 1/2 BU, S	10.00	12.00
STRAWBERRIES, 12-1 PINT, M	32.00	32.00
TOMS, GHS, 10 LBS, HEIRLOOM	14.00	16.00
TOMS, GHS, ONVINE, 11LBS	15.00	15.00

BOSTON SHIPPED IN

Price Range, Per unit.

BEANS, LONG, NJ, 30 LBS, PER LB	3.00	3.00
BOK CHOY, NJ, 2 BU CARTON	22.00	28.00
BOKCHOY, BBY SHNGHAI, NJ, 1.35	22.00	24.00
BLACKBERRY, GA, 12-6 OZ	8.00	12.00
CABBAGE, GRN, DE/NJ, 50 LB, M	13.00	24.00
CABBAGE, RED, DE/NJ, 50 LB, M/L	17.00	22.00
CABBAGE, SAVOY, NJ, 40 LB, M/L	18.00	20.00
CHERRY, RED TART, NY, 8 QT	31.00	31.00
CHINESE CABBAGE, NJ, 1.3 BU, 12	17.00	22.00
DANDELION GREENS, 12 BN/CTN	16.00	18.00
DAIKON, W/TOPS, NJ, 1-1/9, 12	20.00	25.00
DAIKON, TOPPED, NJ, 1-1/9, 12	22.00	24.00
ENDIVE, NJ, 1.3 BU, 24	15.00	18.00
ESCAROLE, NJ, 1.3 BU, 24	15.00	18.00
KOHLRABI, NJ, 12 BN, CTN	15.00	20.00
LETTUC, NJ, GRNLF, 24/CTN	12.00	15.00
LETTUC, NJ, REDLF, 24/CTN	12.00	15.00
LETTUC, NJ, ROMAINE, 24/CTN	14.00	16.00
NECTARINES, NJ, 2-1/2, 1/2 BU	22.00	22.00
PARSLEY, PLAIN, NJ, 60BN/1-1/4	24.00	26.00
PARSLEY, CURLY, NJ, 60BN/1-1/4	22.00	28.00
PEACH, YLW, NJ, 2-3/4" UP, 1/2 BU	24.00	24.00
RADISHES, NJ, 24 BN/CRATE	12.00	16.00
SPINACH, FLAT, NJ, 24	24.00	25.00
SWISS CHARD, MX CLR, NJ, 12	16.00	18.00
WTERMLN, MINI, SDLS, GA, 6	15.00	16.00

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, CT - JULY 30, 2018

	LOW	HIGH
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	25.00	32.00
61-75 lbs.	37.50	40.00
76-90 lbs.	45.00	50.00
91-105 lbs.	55.00	60.00
106 lbs. & up	65.00	70.00
Farm Calves	75.00	80.00
Starter Calves	20.00	23.00
Veal Calves	80.00	122.50
Feeder Heifers	75.00	100.00
Beef Heifers	60.00	78.00
Feeder Steers	60.00	130.00
Beef Steers	80.00	85.00
Feeder Bulls	70.00	130.00
Beef Bulls	70.00	81.00
Replacement Cows	n/a	n/a
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Boars	n/a	n/a
Sows	n/a	n/a
Butcher Hogs each	n/a	n/a
Feeder Pigs each	10.00	35.00
Sheep each	82.50	235.00
Lambs each	60.00	245.00
Goats each	75.00	420.00
Kid Goats each	50.00	215.00
Canners	up to	55.00
Cutters	56.00	59.00
Utility Grade Cows	60.00	63.00
Rabbits each	5.00	50.00
Chickens each	3.00	23.00
Ducks each	3.00	10.00

HARTFORD REGIONAL MARKET

FARMERS' MARKET

Price published is \$/unit listed.

APPLE, JR SYMAC, HNDL	8.00	8.00
BEANS, GREEN, /BOX	15.00	15.00
BEAN, YELLOW, /BOX	18.00	18.00
CABBAGE, EA	2.00	3.00
CALLALOO, /BN	4.00	4.00
CHERRY, SWEET, /QT	5.00	5.00
CHERRY, SWT, 1/2 BU	50.00	50.00
CORN, EA	.33	.50
CUKES, EA	.50	.50
CUKES, /QUART	5.00	5.00
CUKES, LARGE, /BOX	10.00	10.00
CUT FLOWER, BUNCH	7.00	7.00
EGGPLANT, LGE, 3/	1.00	1.00
EGGPLANT, S, /QT	3.00	3.00
EGGS, /DOZ	2.50	3.50
HIBISUCUS, HRDY, 1 GAL	18.00	8.00
HONEY, 5 LBS	27.00	27.00
KALE, /BN	2.00	2.00
LETTUCE, /BOX	10.00	10.00
LETTUCE, EA	2.00	2.00
NECTARINES, HANDLE	10.00	10.00
PEACHES, HANDLE	10.00	12.00
PEAS, SGRSNP, PINT	3.00	3.00
PEPPERS, EA	.50	.50
PEPPERS, /QUART	3.00	3.00
PERENNIAL, QUART	4.00	4.00
PERENNIAL, 5 PINT	7.00	7.00
PICKLES, 1/2 BU	10.00	65.00
TOMATO, HANDLE	20.00	20.00
TOMATO, QUART	3.00	4.00
SUNFLOWER, EA	2.00	2.00
SUNFLOWER, BUNDLE	3.00	3.00
SQUASH, QUART	3.00	3.00
SWISS CHARD, /BN	2.00	2.00

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censed, and are frequently inspected for product safety and equipment function.

Finally, DoAg employees inspect the retail stores that sell milk products, checking for such things as cleanliness, appropriate cooler temperature, and expired products.

The DoAg licensing unit also registers almost 10,000 commercial feed products. Labels are reviewed to determine if the products meet federally approved guidelines that protect consumers and their pets.

In the event of a recall, DoAg has the ability to determine if the affected products are offered for sale in Connecticut.

The same review process is used for commercial fertilizer, soil amendments, and liming materials.

Recent changes to Connecticut's fertilizer law restrict the use of phosphate. This change has helped to limit the effects of fertilizer runoff, including increased algae in nearby bodies of water.

These algae blooms eliminate oxygen, and can be fatal to fish and harmful to humans that consume the tainted fish.

Livestock and poultry dealers are also required to be licensed, in part to assure that all animals imported into Connecticut have the proper health certificates.

This helps to protect the health and welfare of livestock and avian species from the introduction and spread of infectious and contagious diseases, including those transmissible to the human population.

In the event of a disease outbreak, DoAg can trace the impacted animals to protect other animals and humans from possible infection.

The poultry slaughter program was introduced in 2011 as a way for state turkey and chicken farmers to sell slaughtered birds to food service providers and retail stores.

This program is limited to farms that slaughter fewer than 20,000 chickens and/or 5,000 turkeys per year, and is modeled after the USDA's exempt poultry slaughter program.

The poultry slaughter program allows fresh, local birds to be sold in markets and restaurants across the state.

In 2010 DoAg joined with other Connecticut agencies in a statewide licensing system that not only increases productivity but also allows consumers and businesses to apply for and renew most agency licenses online.

A useful feature of this enterprise system is the Online Roster and License Lookup. This tool allows residents to obtain real-time listings of Connecticut licensed individuals and businesses.

The directory includes more than 250 job and business categories. The website is a collaborative effort of DoAg, the Department of Consumer Protection, the Department of Public Health, and the Office of Early Childhood.

Not only can consumers check to see that their local convenience store is licensed to sell milk, they can also ensure that their electrician or barber is properly licensed as well. Residents wishing to access the eLicensing website can do so at www.elicense.ct.gov.

For more information about DoAg licensing matters contact the licensing unit at 860-713-2512.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

1-R. Blumenthal & Donahue is now Connecticut's first independent NATIONWIDE Agri-Business Insurance Agency. Christmas tree growers, beekeepers, sheep breeders, organic farmers and all others, call us for all your insurance needs. 800-554-8049 or www.bludon.com

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5-R. Nationwide Agribusiness Insurance Program, endorsed by the CT Farm Bureau, save up to 23% on your farm insurance and get better protection. References available from satisfied farmers. Call Marci today at 203-444-6553.

49-R. Dahlia tubers – exhibiting/cut varieties. \$6 each. For more information about purchasing and varieties email info@strongfarm.org.

51-R. For sale: Parts for Grimm Hay Tedders. Also, rough lumber. 860-684-3458.

60-R. For sale: 4 acre irrigation system, also 2 water pumps. Farmall I6 and BN. 860-237-1107.

61-R. 1010C J.D. bulldozer diesel with six way manure blade and log winch. Needs T.L.C. \$3,250.00. 2011 Ford Super Duty 350 dump truck, 1,300 miles. Like new. Best offer above \$20,000.00. Homemade flatbed trailer. Heavy duty with winch. Needs some work. \$1,500.00. 860-889-6568.

62-R. 3 slaughter ready Angus Hereford steers. 860-485-5720.

64-R. Registered Hereford bulls, 1 yearling, and 5 weaning age. All halter broke. Old Beech Farm 860-693-2052.

65-R. Hay tedder for sale: New Holland#162, new hubs, pins, and bushings. 16", 4 baskets. Works great, needs nothing. \$3,000.00 or BO. 860-823-9349.

66-R. Hay tedder for sale: SITREX # ST 520H. Works great, needs nothing, 16', 4 baskets, ready to go: \$2,500.00 or BO. 860-823-9349.

67-R. 8' Uni-Moore no till seed drill. Good condition. \$1,800.00. Dirt screener. New condition, used only 2 hours. Cost \$7,000.00, sell for \$4,500.00. Oliver Super 88 diesel tractor, wide front, hydraulics, new tires. \$3,800.00. Round Bale Unroller, excellent condition. \$2,800.00. 860-355-1264.

WANTED

7-R. Livestock wanted: Dairy cattle, heifers of any age, beef cows, bulls, steers, feeder cattle, veal, groups of sheep and goats. RyanM01@comcast.net or 860-655-0958. If no answer, leave message. All calls returned.

MISCELLANEOUS

6-R. Farm/Land specializing in land, farms, and all types of Real Estate. Established Broker with a lifetime of agricultural experience and 40 years of finance. Representing both Buyers and Sellers. Call Clint Charter of Wallace-Tetreault Realty (860) 644-5667.

68-R. Bulldozing in Eastern CT. Farm ponds up to 3 acres. Need farm water, call Don Kemp. Also, land clearing. 860-546-9500.

CFBA HIRES NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Connecticut Farm Bureau Association has hired Bryan Hurlburt as the organization's new executive director. Bryan recently served as the Connecticut state director of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)'s Farm Service Agency (FSA).

Department of Agriculture Commissioner Steven K. Reviczky said Bryan's energy and dedication to agriculture make him an excellent choice for this important position.

"Over the years, Bryan and I have worked together to advance public policy that support Connecticut farm families and grow Connecticut farms," said Reviczky. "I look forward to working with him and the Connecticut Farm Bureau in strengthening agriculture, growing jobs and improving the viability of our producers."

Prior to his appointment to the USDA FSA Bryan served as the State Representative for the 53rd District, representing the towns of Ashford, Tolland and Willington in the Connecticut House of Representatives from 2007 to 2013 where he was a strong advocate for agriculture as a member of the Environment Committee.

UConn EXTENSION BRANDING WORKSHOP SERIES

The University of Connecticut (UConn) Extension is hosting the 2018 Simple Farm Marketing Summer Series to assist farmers in all aspects of farm marketing. Each part of the series will be held at the Middlesex County Extension Center, 1066 Saybrook Road, Haddam, CT, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The

cost is \$20 per workshop. Below is a list of the upcoming dates and topics for the series.

- August 16, 2018: Design Your Own Simple Website – A website is an most important marketing tool. Bring a laptop and learn the basics of setting up a website for your farm.
- August 29, 2018: Marketing on a Budget – Learn how writing press releases, partnering with local businesses, and creative thinking can reach more customers for less money.

For more information or to register contact MacKenzie White at 860-875-3331 or mackenzie.white@uconn.edu.

CT RC&D HOSTS HEALTHY SOILS WORKSHOP

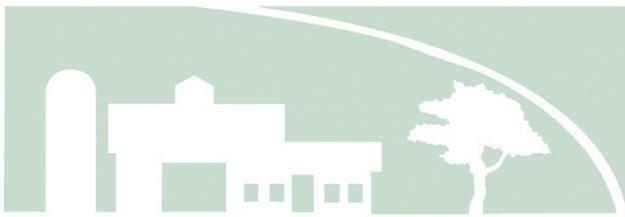
The Connecticut Resource Conservation and Development (CT RC&D) will host a *Healthy Soils Workshop* focusing on dairy farms on August 9, 2018 at Oakridge Dairy located at 33 Jobs Hill Rd, Ellington, CT.

The workshop will feature keynote speaker Tom Kilcer of Advanced AG Systems, who brings 34 years experience as a Cornell Cooperative Extension Field Crop and Soils Educator.

Topics will include boosting the energy of haylage by 16%, reducing the weather risk for hay crop silage, double cropping: making money on both ends of the season, yielding results from field trials, and optimizing nitrogen.

To register online visit www.CTRCD.org. Cost to attend is \$25.00 per person and includes lunch. For additional information call Amanda Fargo-Johnson at 860-345-3977.

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