

NICHOLAS MEAT, LLC
SUPPLIER PRE-APPROVAL APPLICATION AFFIDAVIT
Grass Fed Certified Organic



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As a supplier of feeder calves, finished cattle, cows or bulls for Nicholas Meat LLC Grass Fed Certified Organic program, the undersigned hereby agrees that he/she will follow the Nicholas Meat, LLC management procedures for producing cattle that may be offered to Nicholas Meat, LLC currently or in the future as Grass Fed Certified Organic

That in producing Grass Fed Certified Organic cattle for Nicholas Meat, LLC the following are the requirements:

- **Animals must be born and raised in the United States.**
- **Animals must be in compliance with Organic certification set forth by the National Organic Program (NOP), and comply with recent changes set forth by the USDA; which state that "Organic livestock must graze on pasture for at least four (4) months of the year and that thirty (30) percent of their ration must be grass or legume based (grass, hay or silage)."**
- **Animal diets are 100% vegetarian and do not include any animal by-products.** The majority of the diet consists of forages, such as grass or legumes, except for milk consumed prior to weaning. Grass can include pastures as well as a variety of hay, including items such as orchard grass, fescue, or bent grass. Legumes can include items such as alfalfa, haylage, or clover.
- **Animals have never been administered implants, synthetic hormones, ionophores, antibiotics (injected or fed) or beta-agonists.**
- **Animals are raised using humane handling practices and subject to random on-site inspections by Nicholas Meat LLC personnel responsible for humane handling and maintaining the facilities certified organic status.**
- **Attempts to minimize stress and promote animal socialization are ongoing.**
- **Animals who are treated for illness are removed from the organic program**
- **Animals are identified with an ear tag or back tag and listed below. These identifiers are linked with a facility generated carcass tag number that is imperative to traceability.**
- **Any and all veterinary treatments to animals represented by this affidavit must be documented and maintained for 1 year and made accessible to Nicholas Meat LLC upon request.**

The undersigned agrees with the above, has read the Nicholas Meat, LLC Animal Husbandry Guidelines (above) and wants to be a Nicholas Meat, LLC Supplier of Grass Fed Certified Organic.

BULL/COW AFFIDAVIT

These bull/cow(s) (# _____ head) has been owned and cared for by the undersigned since their purchase or birth. The undersigned guarantees that these bull(s)/cow(s) has been raised or maintained to the requirements, as outlined above.

Back Tag/Ear Tag Nos: _____

Sale Date: _____

If Raised (check) _____

If Purchased (check) _____

Producer's Signature

Telephone #

Print Name

Address

Farm Name/ID

City State Zip