



FARMLAND DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS AGREEMENT (P.A. 116)

SPLIT REQUEST

Complete this form and return with all required documentation to:

MDARD-FARMLAND
P.O. BOX 30449
LANSING, MI 48909
MDARD-PA116@michigan.gov

PHONE: 517-284-5663
FAX: 517-335-3131

Name of Person Making Request:		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Email Address:	Phone:	
1. Farmland Development Rights Agreement Number:		
2. Name(s) as they appear on current Agreement:		

Complete a separate split request form for each new parcel that will be created.

PROPOSED SPLIT PARCEL ____ of ____

3. Size of split parcel in acres (5 acres minimum):
4. Legal Description and Parcel Number of split parcel (attach recent survey and tax bill):
Parcel Number(s):
<u>Legal Description:</u>

To qualify for a split of 5 acres or more but less than 40 acres, the land must be at least 51% in agricultural use and must produce a minimum average gross annual income of \$200 per acre from the sale of agricultural products during 2 of the last 3 years. Rental income is not included.

To qualify for a split of 40 acres or more, the land must be at least 51% in agricultural use.

5. Number of acres in agricultural use (see instructions for definition of agricultural use):	
6. Commodity grown:	
7. Yield per acre:	
Determine the gross annual income per acre by dividing the gross annual income (8) by the number of acres in agricultural use (5).	
8. Gross annual income:	9. Gross annual income per tillable acre:

Signature of Landowner/*Representative (print name next to signature):	Date:
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**If you are signing on behalf of the landowner, please attach a copy of the legal document granting authority.*

INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION NEEDED TO COMPLETE SPLIT REQUEST FORM Farmland Development Rights Agreements (P.A. 116)

Persons making a split request must complete all blank fields on the Split Request Form. A minimum of two (2) Split Request Forms must be submitted.

#1 and #2: Information for these sections can be found on the current Farmland Development Rights Agreement.

#3: Indicate the size of the parcel you are wanting to be split in acres. The parcel must be a minimum of 5 acres to qualify.

#4: Provide the legal description and parcel number (property tax ID number) here for the parcel to be split. If there isn't enough room, please attach an additional sheet and attach the recent survey with description and most recent property tax bills.

#5: Indicate the number of acres of the proposed split parcel that is in agricultural use.

"Agricultural use" means the production of plants and animals useful to humans, including forages and sod crops; grains, feed crops, and field crops; dairy and dairy products; poultry and poultry products; livestock, including breeding and grazing of cattle, swine, captive cervidae, and similar animals; berries; herbs; flowers; seeds; grasses; nursery stock; fruits; vegetables; maple syrup production; Christmas trees; and other similar uses and activities. Agricultural use includes use in a federal acreage set-aside program or a federal conservation reserve program. Agricultural use does not include the management and harvesting of a woodlot. [MCL 324.36101\(b\)](#).

#6: Indicate the commodity grown, such as: field crops, harvested grassland, *livestock and/or any of the other agricultural uses as listed in above definition.

#7: Indicate the yield per acre, such as: bushels, bales, or livestock.

#8: Indicate the gross annual income of the proposed split that is in agricultural use.

#9: Divide item #8 by item #5 to calculate the gross annual income per acre in agricultural use.

*If you indicated livestock in #6: For #7 indicate how many animals you sell per year; for #8 indicate the gross annual income from the sale of those animals; and for #9 calculate the same as stated in above instructions.

Send the required information along with the Split Request Form by email, fax, or mail.

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If you have questions, visit our website at www.Michigan.gov/Farmland, or call the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program at 517-284-5663.