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| **Operation Name:** |  | **Date:** |  |

► Complete this form to describe practices for transporting or slaughtering organic livestock or poultry.

► Complete this form if there are multiple facilities used in the manufacturing of your product and practices described vary from facility to facility

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| **NOP §205.272** The producer must implement measures necessary to prevent the commingling of organic and non-organic products and protect organic products from contact with prohibited substances. |
| Facility covered by this plan (if different location than main operation): |

Species of animals described by this form:

Dairy Cattle  Beef Cattle  Swine  Sheep  Goats

Laying Hens  Broilers  Other Poultry:

Other:

## LIVESTOCK TRANSPORT

1. Is your operation responsible for transport (company owned or contracted) of organic animals to and/or from your operation?

No **(skip to section 10.2)**

Yes:

1. Adequate and season-appropriate ventilation is required for all livestock trailers, shipping containers, and any other mode of transportation used to protect animals against cold and stress. Bedding may be provided on trailer floors and holding pens as needed to keep livestock clean, dry, and comfortable during transportation and prior to slaughter. Check the boxes below where your operation meets or will meet the described requirements of transport conditions: *(Select all that apply)*

Transport type and size are appropriate for the species being transported.

Adequate and season-appropriate ventilation is provided and animals are protected against cold and heat stresses.

Trailer floors and holding pens are to keep livestock clean, dry, and comfortable during transport and prior to slaughter.

Bedding is provided during transport

Transport times are not detrimental to livestock welfare and comply with all legal transport requirements (*i.e*., Federal Twenty-Eight Hour law)

1. How are organic animals identified throughout the transportation process, including any contracted transportation? *Organic animals must be clearly identified as organic and the identity must be traceable during transport.*

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1. When transporting animals, with the exception of transport for veterinary care, all animals must be fit for transport. Check the boxes below where your operation meets or will meet the described requirements of fitness for transport:

Calves must have a dry navel cord and be able to stand and walk without human assistance.

Non-ambulatory animals are not transported for sale or slaughter.

1. Are animals ever kept on land that is not part of your organic certification (*ex*. temporary holding pens used for long trips)?

No (skip to next question)

Yes, describe and provide the location’s organic certificate:

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1. Describe your plan to address animal welfare problems that might occur during transport. *Emergency plans must be in place to address possible animal welfare problems that might occur during transport. These include, but are not limited to, euthanasia when necessary, unanticipated excessive heat or cold, travel that extends beyond planned distance or time, emergency temporary holding, etc.*

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1. Identify the person(s) responsible for livestock transport: *(Check all that apply)*

Operator (self) Employee(s) Contract Transporter  Buyer

Other (describe):

1. Do you contract transport of your animals?  No (skip to section 10.2)

Yes: complete the following, or attach a separate statement providing this information.  Similar statement attached

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| Name and contact information of transport company: |
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| A representative of the contracted transport company must sign below confirming they have reviewed your plan for transport of animals. |
| I have reviewed this plan for transport of organic livestock. We will operate in accordance with this Producer’s plan. I will maintain records as requested and provide copies to the producer. Any deviations that occur during general operation or emergency situations will be communicated to the Operator promptly. |
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## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

1. Is your operation responsible for slaughter of livestock or poultry?  No (**skip to section 10.3**)  
    Yes:
   1. If mammalian livestock is slaughtered, is your operation in compliance with the Federal Meat Inspection Act regarding humane handling?

Yes  No

* 1. If poultry is slaughtered is your operation in compliance with the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA)?

Yes  No  N/A; Exempt from PPIA

* 1. If “N/A, Exempt” in b) above, then how does your operation ensure that the following are addressed? (select all that apply)

Lame birds are not shackled or hung by the legs

All shackled birds are stunned prior to bleeding; and

All birds must be completely insensible prior to scalding

Other comments:

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1. If slaughtering ruminants, how is eligibility of livestock for slaughter verified and documented for each animal?  N/A; No ruminant slaughter

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1. What records are maintained for non-compliances regarding humane handling and slaughter, and any subsequent corrective actions taken?

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## 10.3 MONITORING

1) How do you monitor the effectiveness of your transport and slaughter practices, and how often is monitoring done?

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