



MEMBERSHIP FORM 2012-2013

RI RESIDENT

Name _____

Farm Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Farm Ph. _____ Cell Ph. _____

Email _____ Fax _____

\$40 Basic Farm Membership

For those farms who will process less than 2 beef OR 3 pigs OR 4 lamb in the 2012-2013 membership year.

\$65 Producer Farm Membership

For those farms that will process less than 4 beef OR 6 pigs OR 8 lamb in the 2012-2013 membership year.

\$100 Large Producer Farm Membership

For producers that will process at least 4 beef OR 6 pigs OR 8 lamb in the 2012-2013 membership year.

Please check the boxes below if you do **NOT** want to be listed in:

Membership directory – RIRLA website

Membership directory – printed

Both these directories are distributed among RIRLA farmer members **ONLY** and are **NOT** available to non-members or the general public.

MEMBER SURVEY

PLEASE take the time to fill out this survey. All information will be kept anonymous. **NO** personal or business information will be shared.

LIVESTOCK

Type	Breed(s)	# of Animals
Beef cattle	_____	_____
Dairy cattle	_____	_____
Pigs	_____	_____
Sheep	_____	_____
Goats	_____	_____
Poultry	_____	_____
Other	_____	_____



Size of Farm _____ acres
 Lease _____ acres
 Own _____ acres

Employees
 Full-time _____ # Time of year _____
 Part-time _____ # Time of year _____
 Seasonal _____ # Time of year _____

Sales/Marketing

Direct to customer _____
 Advertising/marketing methods _____ ads in newspaper
 _____ Word of mouth
 _____ Farm website
 _____ Farm Fresh RI website
 Farmers markets _____
 How many markets do you attend/week _____
 Market names _____
 Auction _____
 Auction names/locations _____
 Don't sell/personal use _____
 Other _____
 Please describe _____

The Future

In the next 2-4 years I plan to:
 ___ Expand my farm operation & production ___ Maintain my operation & production at its current size
 ___ Decrease the size of my operation & production
 Reason(s): _____

WHY DID YOU JOIN?

Please rate all that apply (1 – very important, 2 – somewhat important, 3 – not important or NA (not applicable))

- _____ Processing Scheduling Service/Convenient access to USDA processing
- _____ Grain discount
- _____ Pasture walks/educational opportunities
- _____ Networking with other farmers/member meetings
- _____ Technical assistance (sales permit package, etc)



- _____ Newsletter
- _____ Buy/sell livestock
- _____ Assistance locating feed sources
- _____ Buy/sell equipment
- _____ Website/general farming resources
- _____ Other (please explain in the space provided below)

WHAT DO YOU WANT?

What would you like the RI Raised Livestock Association to offer or offer more of:

Please rank (1 – very important, 2 – somewhat important, 3 – not important, or NA – not applicable)

- _____ Grain/feed discounts with partner businesses
- _____ Equipment/supply discounts with partner businesses
- _____ Educational opportunities
 - _____ Pasture walks
 - _____ Meat cutting seminars
 - _____ Other seminars _____
 - _____ Business trainings
 - _____ Marketing
 - _____ Your farm as a business (financial)
 - _____ Business technology (computers, financial software, internet, website)
 - _____ Obtaining financing
 - _____ Insurance
 - _____ Other _____
 - _____ Agricultural technology
 - _____ Production/animal science and nutrition
 - _____ Fencing
 - _____ Grazing/field management
 - _____ Equipment
 - _____ Mobile processing unit – poultry
 - _____ Other _____
- _____ Land preservation/development rights
- _____ Passing on the family farm



_____ Other

- _____ Opportunities to network with other farmers/member meetings
- _____ Technical assistance (sales permit package, etc)
- _____ General resources on farming
- _____ More resources in the quarterly newsletter
- _____ More resources regarding buying/selling livestock
- _____ Assistance locating feed sources
- _____ Other (please explain in the space provided below)

LIST YOUR FARM

As a marketing service to its members RIRLA is developing a list of farms that sell their locally-raised meat to the public. This list will be distributed to the public at outreach events, restaurants that request it, RIRLA's new Consumer Members as part of their membership packet, as well as being available on RIRLA's website. Please fill out the information below if you would like to be listed.

Farm Name _____

Contact Name _____

Address _____ Town _____

State _____ ZIP _____ Farm Ph. _____

Alt. Ph. _____ Fax _____

Email _____ Website _____

Species Available (e.g. beef, pork, etc.) _____

Products Available (e.g. sausage, stew meat, etc) _____

Available at:

Farm Stand Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Days of Week/Hours of Operation _____

Farmers Market Name _____

Address _____

Dates of Operation (e.g. May – September) _____

Days of Week/Hours of Operation _____