

FARM STRUCTURE AFFIDAVIT

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Farm buildings and structures are exempt from the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (USBC). In order to qualify for this exemption, the structure must be used for a specific purpose which is directly related to an operating farm. The USBC defines a farm building or structure as follows:

A building or structure not used for residential purposes, located on property where farming operations take place, and used primarily for any of the following uses or combination thereof: (please check appropriate box below)

1. Storage, handling, production, display, sampling or sale of agricultural, horticultural, floricultural or silvicultural products produced in the farm.
2. Sheltering, raising, handling, processing or sale of agricultural animals or agricultural animal products.
3. Business or office uses relating to the farm operations.
4. Use of farm machinery or equipment or maintenance or storage of vehicles, machinery or equipment on the farm.
5. Storage or use of supplies and materials used on the farm.
6. Implementation of best management practices associated with farm operations.

Print Owner Name: _____ Phone: _____

Pulaski County Property Identification Number: _____

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| 1. Is the property currently being used for the production of agricultural, horticultural, floricultural or silvicultural products for sale? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO Type of products: _____ |
| 2. Is the property currently being used for the raising or processing of agricultural animals or agricultural animal products for sale? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO Type of animals/products: _____ |
| 3. Is the proposed structure to be used for the storage, handling or production of products listed in #1 above? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO Type of products: _____ |
| 4. Is the proposed structure to be used for the sheltering, raising or processing of animals in #2 above? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO Type of animals: _____ |
| 5. Is the proposed structure to be used for the maintenance, storage or use of equipment related to the activities listed in #1 and #2 above? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES or <input type="checkbox"/> NO Type of equipment: _____ |

If you answered **YES** to any of the above please complete the affidavit below.

By completing the following affidavit, you are swearing that the proposed structure meets the farm structure exemption of the USBC and that no part of this building will be used for temporary or permanent residential purposes (including campers or motor homes) and, as such, no building permit or building inspections will be required. **Building a structure without a building permit that is not legally exempt, would constitute a violation of Code of Virginia § 36-106 which is deemed a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to \$2,500.** Each day the violation continues after conviction or court-ordered abatement period has expired shall constitute a separate

offense. Presentation of a false affidavit may also constitute violation of other state laws which may be punishable separately. The structure is not exempt from other laws, regulations and ordinances, including the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance.

STATE OF VIRGINIA
COUNTY OF PULASKI, to-wit:

COMES NOW _____ (name), and after having been sworn, state that I have read and understand the above, have truthfully answered the above questions and affirm that the structure proposed to be built qualifies as a "farm structure" as defined by the USBC.

Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN TO before me this ____ day of _____, 20____, by _____.

My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public

Zoning Certification (to be signed by the Pulaski County Zoning Administrator) – A zoning permit will be required.

This is to certify that the proposed use meets the terms of the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance

Zoning Administrator

Date

Power Company Certification (to be signed by a Pulaski County Building Official)

This is to certify that the electrical system serving this property has NOT been inspected and has been constructed at the owner's risk. Furthermore, inspection by the County is not required in order for electric service to be provided by the applicable power company.

Building Official

Date