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**COMMISSIONER**

**TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**CONSUMER & INDUSTRY SERVICES**

**APPLICATION FOR INDUSTRIAL HEMP LICENSE**

**NEW**  
 **RENEWAL**  
(License No. \_\_\_\_\_)

For Departmental Use Only	
Date Submitted	_____
Date Issued	_____
License No.	_____

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Industrial hemp may be grown in Tennessee only by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture through its Industrial Hemp Pilot Program or by institutions of higher education in Tennessee for agricultural or academic research. To produce industrial hemp, pilot program participants and institutions of higher education alike must be licensed by the Department annually.

Applicants wishing to participate in the Department’s pilot program must complete this application and other required documentation as “Applicant.” They must submit with their application a signed memorandum of understanding with the Department. At the end of the licensure period, program participants will be required to submit an agricultural/agronomic report on forms provided by the Department regarding their industrial hemp crop. The Department will collect license fees and other regulatory expenses from the program participant directly.

For institutions of higher education applying for licensure, they must complete this application but will not be required to enter a memorandum of understanding with the Department unless the institution requests the Department’s assistance in obtaining hemp seed. An agricultural/agronomic report regarding the institution’s industrial hemp crop will also not be required. However, the institution must submit with its application: 1) a statement of research goals and parameters related to production of industrial hemp at the growing areas identified in the institution’s hemp license application and 2) proof of its status as an institution of higher education as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.A. §1001). The Department will collect license fees and other regulatory expenses from the institution directly.

An industrial hemp license permits the production of industrial hemp at particular growing areas by a particular individual or entity. An industrial hemp license is required prior to

planting hemp seeds in Tennessee. All applicants receiving hemp seed through the Department must enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Department prior to receiving the seed.

Applications that are not complete on or before April 1 will be denied. All industrial hemp licenses are valid for one calendar year from the date in which they are issued.

Please print or type the information requested in the spaces where indicated and attach additional pages as necessary.

## APPLICANT

<b>Applicant*:</b>	
<b>Contact person (if applicant is an entity other than an individual):</b>	
<b>Address**:</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>	
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Alt. Phone:</b>
<b>Email:</b>	<b>Date of Birth (if an individual or partners in a partnership):</b>
<b>Alternate address (if primary address is outside Tennessee)**:</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>	

\*If applicant is other than an individual, partnership or institution of higher education, attach a Certificate of Existence from the Secretary of State's office or other certified document showing that Applicant is authorized to do business in Tennessee.

\*\*Address or Alternate Address must be a physical address in Tennessee and not a post office box.

## SEED

Please complete this section if Applicant intends to participate in the Department's Industrial Hemp Pilot Program or if Applicant otherwise requests to receive hemp seed through the Department.

**Variety (check all that apply and complete information for pounds of seed requested):**

\_\_\_ Variety: \_\_\_\_\_ (lbs. requested) at \$ \_\_\_\_\_/lb.

\_\_\_ Variety: \_\_\_\_\_ (lbs. requested) at \$ \_\_\_\_\_/lb.

**Total number of acres to be sewn under this license :**

**Applicant's affirmation of understanding and authorization to acquire hemp seed:**

*I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned Applicant, understand and agree that submission of this application to the Tennessee Department of Agriculture constitutes my authorization for the Department to acquire industrial hemp seed on my behalf and that I shall be obligated to the Department for payment of such seed's cost as calculated above, to include its procurement, taxes, and shipping, from its source to the Department's offices in Nashville, Tennessee. Subsequently, I warrant and agree that it shall be my sole responsibility to retrieve such seed from the Department at its offices in Nashville, Tennessee. I further warrant and agree that procurement of the above-indicated variety(ies) shall be made at the sole discretion of the Department and that I shall be obligated to the Department for the costs of that seed irrespective of my disagreement, if any, with the manner in which the seed was procured.*

*I further warrant and agree that this authorization in no way secures or otherwise entitles me to a warranty for the seed procured by the Department and that no guarantee or warranty flows from the Department to me for the seed, its quality, or its effectiveness in growing or producing industrial hemp. I understand and agree that, at the Department's discretion, my payment for the seed may be required prior to its actual procurement, and that any delay in receipt of the seed shall not entitle me to any extension of an industrial hemp license from the Department or to any lost compensation or benefit caused to me by such delay, either directly or indirectly.*

**Applicant:**

**Date:**

<sup>o</sup>Applicant must enclose with this application payment of a license fee equal to \$250 + \$2 per acre.

## GROWING AREA

Please provide the following information for each growing area. A growing area is a contiguous land area on which industrial hemp is grown. Attach additional pages for any additional growing areas.

### GROWING AREA #1

<b>Address<sup>+</sup>:</b>	<b>City/State/Zip:</b>
<b>GPS coordinates of growing area<sup>++</sup>:</b>	<b>Total number of acres in growing area:</b>
<p><b>Property owner's affirmation of consent for use of the growing area:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>I, (print name) _____, the undersigned, am the lawful owner of real property located at the above-referenced address and GPS coordinates, and I hereby consent to the use of such property for the purpose of growing and/or cultivating industrial hemp consistent with and for all purposes allowed under federal law, Tennessee law, and the rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture ("TDA"). I further acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions for Applicant's license from TDA to produce industrial hemp on said property.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Any information obtained by TDA with respect to this application and/or the growing or cultivation of industrial hemp on my property may be disclosed to the public and/or provided to law enforcement agencies without further notice to me or my representative(s).</i></li> <li>2. <i>I agree to allow any inspection or sampling of my property at the above-referenced address that TDA deems necessary relative to this application for an industrial hemp license or its resulting hemp crop.</i></li> <li>3. <i>I warrant that I have not been convicted of a felony in any country, relative to the possession, production, sale, or distribution of a controlled substance.</i></li> </ol> <p><b>Owner's signature:</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b></p>	
<b>Variety of industrial hemp to be grown:</b>	<b>Quantity of seed to be sewn:</b>
<p><b>Is industrial hemp in this growing area being cultivated for (check one):</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Seed/viable grain</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fiber/products</b></p>	
<p><b>Source of certified seed to be sewn at this growing area (check one) <sup>+++</sup>:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tennessee Department of Agriculture</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Institution of higher education _____ (identify)</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other: _____ (identify)</b></p>	
<b>Address where records will be kept related to hemp production at this growing area:</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>	

<sup>+</sup>Applicant must attach to application an aerial map or photograph (Google, Bing, etc.) of the growing area address. The map or photograph must be submitted on 8 ½ by 11 inch paper.

<sup>++</sup> GPS coordinates provided must be in decimal degrees for the central most point of the growing area.

<sup>+++</sup>If seed is not received through the Department, Applicant must attach documentation of seed certification.

## GROWING AREA #2

<b>Address<sup>+</sup>:</b>	<b>City/State/Zip:</b>
<b>GPS coordinates of growing area<sup>++</sup>:</b>	<b>Total number of acres in growing area:</b>
<p><b>Property owner's affirmation of consent for use of the growing area:</b></p> <p><i>I, (print name) _____, the undersigned, am the lawful owner of real property located at the above-referenced address and GPS coordinates, and I hereby consent to the use of such property for the purpose of growing and/or cultivating industrial hemp consistent with and for all purposes allowed under federal law, Tennessee law, and the rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture ("TDA"). I further acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions for Applicant's license from TDA to produce industrial hemp on said property.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Any information obtained by TDA with respect to this application and/or the growing or cultivation of industrial hemp on my property may be disclosed to the public and/or provided to law enforcement agencies without further notice to me or my representative(s).</i></li> <li><i>I agree to allow any inspection or sampling of my property at the above-referenced address that TDA deems necessary relative to this application for an industrial hemp license or its resulting hemp crop.</i></li> <li><i>I warrant that I have not been convicted of a felony in any country, relative to the possession, production, sale, or distribution of a controlled substance.</i></li> </ol> <p><b>Owner's signature:</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b></p>	
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<p><b>Is industrial hemp in this growing area being cultivated for (check one):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Seed/viable grain</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fiber/products</p>	
<p><b>Source of certified seed to be sewn at this growing area (check one) <sup>+++</sup>:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Department of Agriculture</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Institution of higher education _____ (identify)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (identify)</p>	
<b>Address where records will be kept related to hemp production at this growing area:</b>	
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## GROWING AREA #3

<b>Address<sup>+</sup>:</b>	<b>City/State/Zip:</b>
<b>GPS coordinates of growing area<sup>++</sup>:</b>	<b>Total number of acres in growing area:</b>
<p><b>Property owner's affirmation of consent for use of the growing area:</b></p> <p><i>I, (print name) _____, the undersigned, am the lawful owner of real property located at the above-referenced address and GPS coordinates, and I hereby consent to the use of such property for the purpose of growing and/or cultivating industrial hemp consistent with and for all purposes allowed under federal law, Tennessee law, and the rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture ("TDA"). I further acknowledge and agree to the following terms and conditions for Applicant's license from TDA to produce industrial hemp on said property.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Any information obtained by TDA with respect to this application and/or the growing or cultivation of industrial hemp on my property may be disclosed to the public and/or provided to law enforcement agencies without further notice to me or my representative(s).</i></li> <li><i>I agree to allow any inspection or sampling of my property at the above-referenced address that TDA deems necessary relative to this application for an industrial hemp license or its resulting hemp crop.</i></li> <li><i>I warrant that I have not been convicted of a felony in any country, relative to the possession, production, sale, or distribution of a controlled substance.</i></li> </ol> <p><b>Owner's signature:</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b></p>	
<b>Variety of industrial hemp to be grown:</b>	<b>Quantity of seed to be sewn:</b>
<p><b>Is industrial hemp in this growing area being cultivated for (check one):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Seed/viable grain</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fiber/products</p>	
<p><b>Source of certified seed to be sewn at this growing area (check one) <sup>+++</sup>:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Tennessee Department of Agriculture</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Institution of higher education _____ (identify)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ (identify)</p>	
<b>Address where records will be kept related to hemp production at this growing area:</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>	

<sup>+</sup>Applicant must attach to application an aerial map or photograph (Google, Bing, etc.) of the growing area address. The map or photograph must be submitted on 8 ½ by 11 inch paper.

<sup>++</sup> GPS coordinates provided must be in decimal degrees for the central most point of the growing area.

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## CROP

Please provide the following information for the industrial hemp crop to be grown at each of the growing areas identified above (e.g. Growing Area #1 Crop, Growing Area #2 Crop, etc.). Attach additional pages as necessary.

### CROP – GROWING AREA #1

<b>Expected dates of harvest:</b>	<b>Intended disposition of crop:</b>
<b>Address where crop is to be stored/provided*:</b>	<b>City/State/Zip:</b>
<b>Form in which the crop is to be stored/provided:</b>	<b>Is any portion of hemp being cultivated for certified seed (circle one)?**</b> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;"> <span style="margin-right: 100px;">Yes</span> <span>No</span> </div>

\*Applicant must provide the address of each location where the hemp crop is to be stored/provided and the form(s) in which the crop is to be stored/provided at each address.

\*\*If applicant is cultivating for certified seed, applicant must attach evidence of membership with the Tennessee Crop Improvement Association.

### CROP – GROWING AREA #2

<b>Expected dates of harvest:</b>	<b>Intended disposition of crop:</b>
<b>Address where crop is to be stored/provided*:</b>	<b>City/State/Zip:</b>
<b>Form in which the crop is to be stored/provided:</b>	<b>Is any portion of hemp being cultivated for certified seed (circle one)?**</b> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 10px;"> <span style="margin-right: 100px;">Yes</span> <span>No</span> </div>

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS

Please affirm Applicant's agreement to the following terms and conditions for an industrial hemp license.

I, (print name) \_\_\_\_\_, having legal authority to bind Applicant to the terms and conditions of this application for an industrial hemp license, hereby acknowledge those regulations governing the cultivation of industrial hemp under federal law, Tennessee law, and the rules and regulations of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture ("TDA"). In exchange for consideration of this application, I further acknowledge, understand, and agree to each of the following terms and conditions of a license from TDA to produce industrial hemp.

1. Any information obtained by TDA may be disclosed to the public and/or to law enforcement agencies without further notice to me, the Applicant, the owner of the property licensed for cultivation of industrial hemp, or any of our representative(s).
2. I agree to allow any inspection or sampling that TDA deems necessary relative to this application for an industrial hemp license or its resulting hemp crop.
3. I agree to pay all costs incurred at the discretion of TDA for sampling and analysis relative to this application for an industrial hemp license or its resulting hemp crop.
4. I agree to submit all reports or statements requested by TDA relative to this application for an industrial hemp license or its resulting hemp crop, including the crop's harvest, disposition and transport.
5. I warrant that I have not been convicted of a felony in any country, relative to the possession, production, sale, or distribution of a controlled substance.
6. I warrant that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no partner, director or member otherwise associated with the Applicant entity named above, if applicable, has been convicted of a felony in any country, relative to the possession, production, sale, or distribution of a controlled substance.
7. I warrant that all documents and information submitted in support of this application for an industrial hemp license are authentic, correct, and complete to the best of my information and belief.
8. I warrant that I have read and understand Rules of the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, Chapter 0080-06-28, relative to regulation of industrial hemp, otherwise available at <http://www.tn.gov/sos/rules/0080/0080.htm>.
9. I acknowledge and understand that licensure to grow or cultivate industrial hemp is conditioned upon my participation with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture's Industrial Hemp Pilot Program or an institution of higher education in Tennessee and that my actions with respect to the growth, cultivation, harvest, or transportation of industrial hemp otherwise subject me to obligations and regulations imposed under United States law, Tennessee law, and potentially the laws of other states.

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APPLICANT/APPLICANT'S AUTHORIZED AGENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**Please send completed application to:**

**Tennessee Department of Agriculture  
Plant Certification  
P.O. Box 40627, Melrose Station  
Nashville, TN 37204**

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Complete and sign Application for Industrial Hemp License.
- Attach an aerial map or photograph of the address where the growing area(s) identified in the application are located.
- Include payment of license fee equal to \$250 + \$2 per acre for the total acreage of growing area(s) identified in the application. Upon approval of the license, Applicant must remit payment for any hemp seed to be received through the Department—before the Department will procure such seed.
- If other than an individual, partnership, or institution of higher education, attach a Certificate of Existence from the Tennessee Secretary of State's office or other certified document showing the Applicant is authorized to do business in Tennessee.
- If an institution of higher education in Tennessee:
  - Attach a statement of research goals and parameters for the production of industrial hemp.
  - Attach proof of status as an institution of higher education as defined in section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.A. §1001).
- If **NOT** an institution of higher education in Tennessee OR if Applicant is requesting hemp seed through the Department, attach a signed memorandum of understanding with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture.
- If cultivating for industrial hemp certified seed, attach documentation of membership with the Tennessee Crop Improvement Association.
- If planting seed not received through the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, attach documentation that seed to be sown is certified by a certifying agency.