



## Virginia Honey Processor Certification Form

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Title 3.2, chapter 51 of the Code of Virginia states that honey processors must meet certain requirements in order to be eligible for an exemption from state inspection. One of these requirements is that honey processors must certify, in writing, annually to the Department that he or she meets the requirements of 3.2-5130(A)(4) Please see below for a complete listing of requirements, pertaining to this exemption.

NOTE: In order to qualify for the exemption, **ALL** aspects of the following section of the Code of Virginia must be met:

3.2-5130(A)(4)

*Private homes where the resident processes and prepares honey produced by his own hives, if: (i) the resident sells less than 250 gallons of honey annually; (ii) the resident does not process and sell other food products in addition to honey, except as allowed by subdivision A 3; (iii) the product complies with the other provisions of this chapter; (iv) the product is labeled "PROCESSED AND PREPARED WITHOUT STATE INSPECTION. WARNING: Do Not Feed Honey to Infants Under One Year Old."; and (v) the resident certifies in writing annually to the Department that he meets the requirements of this subdivision. Nothing in this subdivision shall increase or diminish the authority of the Commissioner under § 3.2-5102.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Company Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Address of residence where honey is being processed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Owner of honey processing operation: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of gallons of honey packed on an annual basis: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your business currently under inspection by VDACS? Yes  No

If "Yes," do you wish to qualify for this exemption? Yes  No

If "No," do you wish to be inspected by VDACS Food Safety and Security Program?

Yes  No

Note: If you wish to be inspected by VDACS, please contact the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services at 804-786-3520, for more information.

**Please attach a copy of your product label, with this form.**

In addition, all packaged food products must bear proper food labeling, as outlined in § 3.2-5123 of the Code of Virginia:

1. *The name of the food (identity statement)*
2. *Listing of ingredients, if manufactured from two (2) or more ingredients*
3. *Name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor*
4. *Accurate statement of the quantity of the contents in terms of weight, measure, or numerical count*

**Note:** Even when exempt from inspection, all food products in the Commonwealth of Virginia must be processed, stored, and distributed in accordance with the Virginia Food Laws, as well as the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Part 110.

**I HAVE READ THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS EXEMPTION AND HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION IS ACCURATE, AND FOOD PRODUCTS COVERED UNDER THIS EXEMPTION HAVE BEEN PROCESSED, STORED, AND DISTRIBUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VIRGINIA FOOD LAWS AND THE FDA CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 21, PART 110.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail application to:

Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Food Safety and Security Program

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