



MICHIGAN BLUEBERRY COMMISSION GROWER REPORT FOR 2019

ASSESSMENTS AND REPORT ARE DUE NOVEMBER 30, 2019

PART A: GROWER REPORT SUBMITTED BY:

(Print Name of Individual Completing This Report)

(*Tax Payer ID # or Employer ID#)

(Print Name of Business/Company)

(Telephone Number, with Area Code)

(Email Address)

(Mailing Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

*GROWER OR FARM ID/CORP/PARTNERSHIP, TAX PAYER ID NO. OR EIN.

PART B: GROWER ASSESSMENT CALCULATION TABLE

LINE 1: TOTAL POUNDS OF BLUEBERRIES PRODUCED DURING 2019 Include <u>ALL</u> your sales to processors (handlers), fresh market stand sales, U-Pick sales, exports to processors or handlers outside of the United States, deliveries to shippers, retailers, etc.	POUNDS
LINE 2: TOTAL POUNDS OF BLUEBERRIES DELIVERED TO FIRST HANDLERS (PROCESSORS) FOR WHICH ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN COLLECTED BY THE HANDLER AND WILL BE SENT TO MBC BY HANDLER	(-) POUNDS
LINE 3: TOTAL POUNDS OF BLUEBERRIES SOLD TO NON HANDLERS AND FOR WHICH I WILL NOW PAY AN ASSESSMENT TO THE MBC CALCULATION: LINE 1 MINUS LINE 2 = LINE 3	(=) POUNDS
LINE 4: TOTAL ASSESSMENT AMOUNT DUE TO MBC (ASSESSMENT RATE OF 3/10 OF A CENT PER POUND = \$.003 PER POUND) BY GROWER CALCULATION: TOTAL FROM LINE 3 X \$.003= TOTAL ASSESSMENT DUE (LINE 4)	x .003 = \$
LINE 5: LATE PAYMENT FEE CALCULATION PAYMENT MADE AFTER NOVEMBER 30, CHARGE MONTHLY INTEREST CHARGE OF 1% ON THE TOTAL ASSESSMENT; ENTER YOUR TOTAL LATE PAYMENT FEE HERE:	(+) \$
LINE 6: TOTAL GROWER PAYMENT TO MBC CALCULATION: LINE 4 + LINE 5= TOTAL PAYMENT DUE FROM GROWER (LINE 6)	(=) \$

PART C: REPORT OF GROWER DELIVERIES TO HANDLERS

GROWERS, LIST NAMES AND ADDRESSES FOR ALL HANDLERS (PROCESSORS) TO WHOM YOU SOLD BLUEBERRIES AND FOR WHICH A MBC ASSESSMENT

NAME OF HANDLER	ADDRESS	POUNDS DELIVERED
TOTAL POUNDS OF BLUEBERRIES DELIVERED TO HANDLERS FOR WHICH ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN COLLECTED BY HANDLER:		TOTAL:
(Note: Total Pounds listed here must match total pounds reported in Part B, LINE 2 above)		

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that for any blueberries I sold outside of Handlers, during the reporting period, as noted in the Line 3 above, the attached remittance (if applicable) represents \$.003 (three-tenths of a cent) for every pound. I also certify that I am authorized to sign this report.

SIGNATURE

NAME (PRINT)

TITLE

DATE



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INSTRUCTIONS

The Grower Report is to be received from all growers annually. All blueberry growers are required to complete Part A, Part B, and Part C of this report, and sign the certification statement at the bottom of each report. MBC must receive the report, with authorized signature, by no later than November 30 of each calendar year. If no payment is required, a signed and completed copy of this form may be emailed to krobson@michfb.com.

Also note that a grower assumes the responsibility of a grower/handler on any of their product that the grower sells on their own (Line 3 of this report). Assessment required from a grower on this product must also be received by November 30 of each calendar year. MBC holds all reports in strict confidence.

Assessment Reimbursement: Any grower producing less than 50,000 (fifty-thousand) pounds of blueberries annually can apply to the MBC for reimbursement of the assessment paid on their behalf by a handler.

Submission of Reports and Payments: Reports and payments are to be sent to the Michigan Blueberry Commission at the following address:

MBC, PO Box 338, Grand Junction, MI 49056

Handler Definition: The definition of First Handler is stated on page 1 of the Program information titled "Michigan Blueberry Research & Education Program Creating the Michigan Blueberry Commission" which went into effect on May 1, 2017:

"First Handler" - means any person engaged in the operation of packing, grading, freezing, canning, dehydrating, fermenting, distilling, extracting, preserving, grinding, crushing or in any other way preserving or changing the form of Michigan blueberries for selling or offering for sale marketable blueberries in commercial quantities as defined in the program, who as owner, agent, or otherwise, ships or causes blueberries to be shipped.

Responsibility of Assessment Collection: As stated on Page 6, #4, in the Program information titled "Michigan Blueberry Research & Education Program Creating the Michigan Blueberry Commission" which went into effect on May 1, 2017:

"In the event that blueberries have not been delivered to a first handler or processor it shall be the responsibility of the producer to pay the assessment directly to the Commission."

Late Payment Fees: As stated in the Agricultural Commodities Marketing Act 232 of 1965, Section 290.672, Sec. 22:

"If the assessment is not paid by the date specified by a committee as permitted under section 5(g), the unpaid assessment shall be subject to an interest charge of 1% per month"

Contact the MBC Executive Director Kevin Robson at 734-716-8960 with any questions concerning this report, grower exemptions, or MBC assessment requirements.