**Ohio Vegetable & Small Fruit Research & Development Program (OVSFRDP)**
**Assessment Form**

Ohio growers producing 3 or more acres of vegetables and/or small fruit are subject to the assessment for all vegetables and small fruit produced and sold in the year 2025 (January 1 to December 31 inclusive). Section 924.09 of the Ohio Revised Code provides for a mandatory assessment with a right to a refund. A refund form, available by contacting the office or at www.opgma.org/ovsfrdp, must be submitted no later than December 31, 2025. The OVSFRDP rules outline more details. If you are exempt, please complete the form and return to our office.

**Confidentiality Policy:** All information provided by individual producers and pertaining to individual operations will be kept confidential. Data provided by producers on this form may be aggregated with data provided by other producers and may then be used for industry or research purposes.

**Received in Error:** If you believe that you have received this in error, please contact the OPGMA office immediately so that you can be taken off the mailing list.

Farm Name:_____ Grower Name:_____

Address:_____

City:_____ _____ State:_____ Zip:_____ County: _____

Farm Location:_____ _____
Road/Street City State Zip

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____ Web: _____

## ACREAGE REPORT

Please be sure to report accurate numbers!

| CROP | ACRES |
|---|---|
| Brambles | _____ |
| Blueberries | _____ |
| Strawberries | _____ |
| Grapes (not sold for processing) | _____ |
| Other fruit crops: | |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| Asparagus | _____ |
| Beans | _____ |
| Beets (not sold for processing) | _____ |
| Broccoli | _____ |

| CROP | ACRES |
|---|---|
| Cabbage | _____ |
| Carrots | _____ |
| Cauliflower | _____ |
| Collard | _____ |
| Corn (ornamental) | _____ |
| Corn (sweet) | _____ |
| Cucumbers | _____ |
| Eggplant | _____ |
| Gourds | _____ |
| Hard Squash | _____ |
| Herbs | _____ |
| Kale | _____ |

**(over)**

| CROP | ACRES |
|---|---|
| Lettuce | _____ |
| Melon | _____ |
| Mustard | _____ |
| Onions | _____ |
| Parsley | _____ |
| Peppers | _____ |
| Potatoes | _____ |
| Pumpkins | _____ |
| Radishes | _____ |
| Summer Squash | _____ |
| Spinach | _____ |
| Tomatoes (not sold for processing) | _____ |
| Turnips | _____ |
| Other vegetable crops: | |
| _____ | _____ |

## ASSESSMENT CALCULATION

**For growers with 3 to 15 acres of vegetables and small fruit.**

Multiply total gross sales by ¾ of one percent (.0075) of the value of these crops
Total not to exceed $50.00 $_____

**For growers with 15 acres or more of vegetables and small fruit.**

Multiply gross sales by ¾ of one percent (.0075) of the value of the crop
Total not to exceed $3.00 per acre. $_____

**EXEMPTION - If you believe you are exempt from this program complete the following:**

I am exempt from this assessment because:

_____ I produced fewer than 3 acres of vegetables and small fruit in 2025
_____ I am not (or no longer) an Ohio producer
_____ Farm changed ownership. Give name and address of new owner and date of sale.

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**Additional Voluntary Contribution** $_____

*These funds will be used to further support Ohio Vegetable and Small Fruit Research*

**Are you interested in serving on the OVSFRDP Board?** Yes No

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

**Make check payable to Ohio Vegetable & Small Fruit Research & Development Program or "OVSFRDP" and submit with this form to:**

OVSFRDP
6870 Licking Valley Road
Frazeysburg, OH 43822

**Return with payment by**
**December 31, 2025**

**SIGNATURE_____ Date: _____**

*I hereby attest the information provided is accurate and correct under penalty of Ohio law.*

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**
**Amount $_____**
**Check #_____**
**Date_____**
**Data entered_____**

***RESEARCH SUGGESTIONS***

Please list crop production or marketing problems that you believe should be addressed by the program's research and education projects. If you list multiple research needs, please indicate your priorities.

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For full program information, including requesting a refund, visit www.opgma.org/ovsfrdp or contact the OVSFRDP office at 740-828-3400.