

HOW TO COMPLETE THE HENRY COUNTY FARM EXEMPTION FORM

1. **Applicant:** Name and full mailing address of the applicant as well as phone numbers where the owner can be contacted from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and at home.
2. **Legal Description:** Give the section, township, and range for said site and provide the proper legal description if it is not given on the attached site plan.
3. **Size of parcel where proposed construction will take place:** Indicate the size of the parcel, where the structure will be built, in acres. Also list any adjacent agricultural ground that may help determine farm exempt status.
4. **Other Farm Related Activities:** List or describe other farm related activities (not covered by number three above) that may assist in the determination of a farm exemption.
5. **List Existing or Proposed Farm Structures and Use:** Provide a brief description of each farm structure on the property currently, and also any buildings you intend to add in the near future. Example: *Farm house, garage, implement shed, 3 grain bins, proposed hog confinement, pole building to store plane to be used as crop duster, etc.*
6. **Farm House Information:** Indicate if you, the applicant, are living on the property in a farm house **or** if the home is being rented to an individual who will farm that particular property or one adjacent to it. If there is no house on the property in question but you intend to build one, please answer the questions as accurately as possible; otherwise leave this space blank.
7. **Schedule F Information:** Indicate whether or not the applicant can provide a Schedule F as required by the IRS for farm income. If a schedule F is required to determine farm exemption the applicant may redact income information listed on the form.
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9. **Signature:** The permit must be signed and dated, followed by a printed or typed name.

Additional information such as documents, sketches, diagrams, receipts, and the like are encouraged if desired. Simply attach such items to this application and submit them to the Planning & Zoning Office.

Questions concerning this form may be directed to:

Joseph Buffington
Henry County Planning & Zoning
County Courthouse, 100 E. Washington St
Suite 102,
Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641 (319) 385-0746

IMPORTANT INFORMATION CONCERNING FARM EXEMPTIONS

Farm exemptions are intended to promote only agriculture and agricultural production. Any other use of land, buildings, or structures falls under the regulation of the zoning ordinance. Those persons granted a farm exemption maintain such exemption while meeting the requirements and definitions of a farm. If, at any time, land or structures ceases to fit the definition of farm-related, said land or structure loses its exemption status and is then subject to the Zoning Ordinance of Henry County.