



# Pilot Ginseng Grower Program Registration

## Kentucky Department of Agriculture



Plant Marketing Division – Ginseng Program • 111 Corporate Drive, Frankfort, KY 40601 • (502) 573-0282

### Registration Instructions:

Registration Year 20 \_\_\_\_\_

- Fill out "Grower Information" section completely.
- Submit the following two (2) items to the address below, after January 1:
  1. Original and completed registration form.
  2. A copy of your driver's license or any other valid, government issued photo identification.

Mail completed registration form and materials to:

**Kentucky Department of Agriculture  
Pilot Ginseng Grower Program  
111 Corporate Drive  
Frankfort, KY 40601**

☐ New Grower Registration ☐ New Planting ☐ Renewal

#### Grower Information

Grower Name _____	Ginseng Grower Number _____ K Y _____
Company Name _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Mailing address is my business address.
Mailing Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
If your mailing address is a P.O. Box, please provide a street address. If the physical address differs from the address listed on your photo identification, please indicate why: <input type="checkbox"/> This is my business address. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Physical Address _____	
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Phone ( ) - _____	Alternate Phone ( ) - _____ Fax ( ) - _____
Grower Signature <input type="checkbox"/>	Date _____

<input type="checkbox"/> New Grower Registration <input type="checkbox"/> New Planting <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal		Registration Year 20 ____					
Grower Name		Ginseng Grower Number	K	Y			

### Current Production

1. Are you currently growing ginseng? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - i. Can you document the source of your parental stock?----- ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - ii. Can you provide planting dates for the ginseng you are growing? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - iii. Can you provide a current inventory and population census of your plants? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - iv. Can you provide harvest records and yields? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No

### Planting Stock Origination & Source

2. Please describe the source and origins of your planting stock:
  - a. Select what you are planting: ☐ seeds ☐ rootlets ☐ wild collected transplants ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Select the option that describes your source of parental stock:
    - ☐ Seeds from personal seed beds
      - i. If using seeds from personal seed beds, describe how you established these beds: \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☐ Seeds from an online source (domestic)
    - ☐ Seeds from an online source (international)
    - ☐ Seeds from an unknown source of stock
    - ☐ Seeds from wild-collected plants
      - ii. List the average age of the wild plants from which seeds were collected: \_\_\_\_\_
      - iii. List the county from which wild plants were collected: \_\_\_\_\_
    - ☐ Rootlets sourced from: \_\_\_\_\_
      - iv. List the average age of rootlets: \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Has any genetic testing been conducted on your planting stock? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No

### Planting Location

3. Please respond to the following questions about where your ginseng is growing:
  - a. Are you growing on multiple parcels or multiple plots/patches? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No
  - b. In what county(ies) are growing ginseng? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Parcel Number (PVA) (Legal Location) \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Do you ☐ own, ☐ lease, or ☐ have a long-term contract for the property?
  - e. List each site on the "Site Summary Template." Attach specific site location(s), including parcel maps or plots, for each planting site.

### Pre-Planting Site Survey

4. This section covers ginseng production history on the property:
  - a. Was ginseng purposely planted and grown here previously? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure
  - b. Are there any known natural populations of ginseng on the property? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure
  - c. Have you surveyed for natural, wild ginseng populations? ----- ☐ Yes ☐ No
    - a. If yes, who conducted the survey? \_\_\_\_\_

<input type="checkbox"/> New Grower Registration <input type="checkbox"/> New Planting <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal		Registration Year 20 ____					
Grower Name		Ginseng Grower Number	K	Y			

### Horticultural Practices

5. This section covers how you prepare and manage ginseng pre-planting and post-planting impact, the legal definition of your crop, and the character of the root at harvest:

- a. Briefly describe your cultivation, agronomy, and horticulture practices: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Which of the following will you grow under?  
☐ natural tree canopy
 ☐ shade cloth canopy
 ☐ Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Which of the following will you use to remove the existing understory?  
☐ chemical methods
 ☐ mechanical methods
 ☐ no understory will be removed
- d. Will you utilize any of the following?  
☐ soil tillage
 ☐ temporary leaf-litter removal
 ☐ raised beds
 ☐ no-till
 ☐ none of these
- e. What is the size of your planting space? (in acres or square feet and specify which): \_\_\_\_\_
- f. How densely are your plots planted? (For example, count of plants or seeds planted per square foot): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- g. Briefly describe your disease management strategies: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- h. Briefly describe your pest management strategies: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- i. List your planting dates: \_\_\_\_\_

### Production Goals

6. Describe the ginseng you are producing (Check any that may apply):

☐ **Wild** (ginseng grown with minimal interference by humans and under natural canopy in forest or woodlands; or mature ginseng plants if they are derived from seeds of wild ginseng that were planted as required under legal harvest)

☐ **Wild-Simulated** (ginseng grown from seed that was not planted as required under legal harvest, with minimal interference by humans, and under natural canopy)

☐ **Woods grown** (ginseng grown under natural canopy and purposefully managed)

☐ **Cultivated** (ginseng grown under artificial shade and in tilled soil)

☐ **Mature roots.** Specify ideal age: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Seed bed production**

☐ To sell to create a local seed source with genetic testing

☐ Stratified

☐ **Rootlet production**

☐ to sell root stock

☐ wholesale

☐ retail

*Refer to Nursery Regulation KRS 249.78-96 to see if your operation classifies as a nursery operation. If so, you have the appropriate licensing.*

