



Pilot Ginseng Grower Program Registration

Kentucky Department of Agriculture



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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 _____

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: This is my business address. Other: _____

Physical Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () - _____ Alternate Phone () - _____ Fax () - _____

Grower Signature  Date _____

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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: _____
 - 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? _____

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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.

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Harvest Plans

7. This section covers your harvest plans:

- When do you expect to harvest? year-round during legal season other: _____
- What is your expected yield at harvest in pounds? (Use table below)

Roots (Dry)	Roots (Wet)	Tops	Seeds	Seeds Under Stratification	Live Rootlets

Market Planning

8. For which market are you growing? (Check any that may apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Market	<input type="checkbox"/> Online Market
<input type="checkbox"/> Wholesale Market	<input type="checkbox"/> For Domestic Use Only

Wild Ginseng Business

9. Do you currently harvest, sell, or buy wild ginseng? _____ Yes No

a. Do you hold a Ginseng Dealer License in any state, including KY? _____ Yes No

 a. If yes, list each state and your dealer number for that state: _____

b. Briefly describe your inventory system. Clearly explain how you eliminate the co-comingling of grown, harvested, and/or purchased ginseng and ginseng documentation: _____

Other Non-Timber Forest Products

10. Are you growing or do you plan to grow other woodland crops, besides American ginseng (*Panax quinquefolius*)? Check all crops that may apply. For any other crops you grow that are not listed, list them in the blank area at the bottom of this page.

<input type="checkbox"/> Black cohosh (<i>Actaea racemosa</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ramp or Wild leek (<i>Allium tricoccum</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/> Bloodroot (<i>Sanguinaria Canadensis</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Solomon's seal (<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue cohosh (<i>Caulophyllum thalictroides</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stoneroot (<i>Collinsonia Canadensis</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/> False-unicorn root (<i>Chamaelirium luteum</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Wild yam (<i>Dioscorea villosa</i>)
<input type="checkbox"/> Goldenseal (<i>Hydrastis Canadensis</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood geranium (<i>Geranium maculatum</i>)