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## Program Information

The **Alberta Century Farm and Ranch Award** recognizes farm families that have continuously owned and actively operated the same land for 100 years or more.

### Application Process:

- Review the eligibility criteria below.
- Fill out and submit the application form (next page).
- Staff will review the application, including obtaining and verifying supporting documentation (establishment documents, current land title, and corporate registry if the land is owned by a company). They may contact you to clarify certain information.
- Successful applicants of the Century Farm and Ranch Award will be awarded with a customized bronze plaque approximately 10" x 14" in size, and suitable for mounting outside.
- Successful applicants of the 125-Year Farm Recognition will be awarded with a commemorative certificate personally signed by the Premier of Alberta and the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry.

### Eligibility:

- Your family has continuously owned and actively operated the same land for 100 years or more. (1)
- A family member is still actively farming the land at the time of application. (2)
- The quarter section you are applying for has not been subdivided (limited exceptions below). (3)
- The ¼ section you are applying for has not been cash rented to a non-family member during its 100 year history
- The 1/4 section you're applying for has not been rented to a non-family member during its 100 year history (limited exceptions below). (4)
- Applicants of the 125-Year Farm Recognition must have previously been awarded with the Alberta Century Farm and Ranch award under this program. A current title document proving ownership will be obtained by program staff.

### Notes on Eligibility for Century Farm and Ranch Award:

1. The 100 years is based on the homestead entry date/land establishment date which can be a few years before the original title was granted.
2. If your family farmed for 100 years or 125 years, but the land is now cash rented to a non-family member at the time of application, it is no longer eligible (the award is intended to recognize those families that are still actively farming).
3. The only cases where subdivisions are allowed is when it was done for a public interest reason like a road, railway, school etc.; natural geography like a lake; or to another family member.
4. The following are eligible: crop shares with financial risk to the owner (i.e. owner directly shares on input costs); cash rental to another family member; custom farming and hired hands; or rental during a time of war where the owner was deployed as a soldier.

**Contact Information:**

Landowner's Name(S): \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applying For:**

Century Farm and Ranch Award     125-Year Farm Recognition Award     Both

**Land Details:**

1. Legal land description of the quarter section you're applying for \_\_\_\_\_

2. Original land establishment year (or approximate year) \_\_\_\_\_

Family Ownership History	Name	Relationship to Previous Owner
Landowner 1		N/A
Landowner 2		
Landowner 3		
Landowner 4		
Landowner 5		

**Current Farming:**

1. Type of Farm (grain and oilseed, cattle, mixed, other etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Current Total Size of Farming Operation (acres) \_\_\_\_\_

**Supporting Documentation:**

Staff will obtain and verify homestead and current land titles on your behalf and perform a corporate registry search if the land is owned by a company.

**Statement of Certification:**

I certify that:

- The information provided in this application form is true to the best of my knowledge.

- I, or a member of my family, continue to own and actively farm the land described in this application, and have done so continually for 100 years or more.
- I have read and meet the program's eligibility criteria to the best of my knowledge.
- The Government of Alberta has the right to publish award information including the family's name, local community and municipality, and land establishment and award dates.

\*Please note that the cost of additional plaques will be the responsibility of the applicant.

Landowner Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Send Completed Form to:**

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