



HISTORIC FARMS PROGRAM: Instructions

Kentucky Heritage Council/ Kentucky Department of Agriculture

A heritage farm shall comprise at least forty (40) acres and (a) shall have been owned and farmed by the same family for more than one hundred (100) years or, (b) shall include at least one structure more than fifty (50) years old.

"structure" means a house, barn, shed, crib, silo, windmill, fence, or cemetery marker.

Categories:

Centennial Farm: Owned by the same family for 100 years with historic farmhouse and/or outbuilding/s or structure

Bicentennial Farm: Owned by the same family for 200 years with historic farmhouse and/or outbuilding/s or structure

1. Complete a Historic Farms Program Application Form.
2. Please include a copy of the Deeds or Certified Abstract **for each** transfer of ownership.
3. If there are several current owners of the same farm, all owners' names should be on the application, but submit only one application per farm. Line of ownership from the first family member owning the land may be through wives, husbands, children, brothers, sisters, nephews, and nieces. Adopted children will be recognized equally with natural children.
4. Complete a Kentucky Historic Sites Survey Form for the Property. The Survey form requires photographs of any standing historic buildings and other historic features such as rock fences, and an accurate map showing the exact location of the property.
5. Describe (on additional paper) important events related to the development of your farm, and its role in community and Kentucky history. Copies of articles, chapters from books, etc., are acceptable.

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