

**NEW JERSEY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE**  
**TITLE 2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**CHAPTER 1. ADMINISTRATION**  
**SUBCHAPTER 1. DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO THE ANNUAL STATE**  
**AGRICULTURAL CONVENTION**

**2:1-1.1 Purpose and scope**

- (a) This subchapter sets forth the criteria and approval procedure for additional agricultural organizations to participate in the annual New Jersey Agricultural Convention pursuant to P.L. 1997, c.312.
- (b) This subchapter applies to any agricultural organization seeking approval to participate in the annual convention.

**2:1-1.2 Criteria for agricultural organizations seeking membership in the New Jersey Agricultural Convention**

- (a) An organization seeking membership in the New Jersey Agricultural Convention shall have as its primary purpose the advancement of an agricultural interest, an agricultural sector, or agricultural production and marketing in the State.
- (b) The organization shall be incorporated for a minimum of one year prior to membership application, and maintain its headquarters in New Jersey.
- (c) The organization shall include a membership that is Statewide or regional in area, or serve Statewide or regional agricultural interests.
- (d) The organization shall have a majority of its membership based in New Jersey.
- (e) The organization shall have been organized and active in the State of New Jersey for three years.
- (f) The organization shall not represent the identical interest, commodity, or membership as is represented by a current member of the State Agricultural Convention.

**2:1-1.3 Procedure for making application**

(a) An organization shall make application, on forms provided by the Department of Agriculture, by no later than July 1 in any year. Forms may be obtained by contacting the Office of the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 330, Trenton, NJ 08625-0330.

(b) An organization shall provide the following information in its application, as characterized in N.J.A.C. 2:1-1.2:

1. The name, address and telephone number of the organization;
2. The primary purpose of the organization;
3. The date the organization was organized, its date of incorporation and where it is headquartered; and
4. Where the majority of its membership live.

(c) The State Board shall determine and report, within 60 days of a request based on a complete application, its decision to the applicant organization.

(d) Approval of an application shall make the organization eligible for a delegate to all future agricultural conventions provided it continues to meet the criteria set forth in N.J.A.C. 2:1-1.2. An organization that does not send delegates for a period of three consecutive years or more will lose its right to send delegates. Any organization losing its right to send delegates pursuant to this subsection may reapply any subsequent year according to the procedures set forth in (a) through (c) above.

**2:1-1.4 Rules of governance at the State Agricultural Convention**

All sessions held during the Annual State Agricultural Convention will be governed by Roberts' Rules of Order.