



DAIRY OF DISTINCTION

2009 New York Application

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM

Attractive dairy farms give the consumer greater confidence in the wholesomeness of milk and stimulate milk sales which encourages public support for the dairy industry. The award gives recognition to the dairy farmer for maintaining a well-kept farmstead.

ELIGIBILITY

All Northeast dairy farms **producing milk for sale** are invited to submit an application for the award. Dairies receiving the 10 highest scores in each of the 10 districts will receive an 18"x24" **Dairy of Distinction** sign to be displayed in front of their farm.

APPLICATION

Your name _____ Farm Name _____

Mailing address _____

Phone number _____

Cooperative or Handler (where you ship your milk) _____

Location (driving directions for judging team) _____

County (where farm is located) _____

I hereby apply to the Northeast Dairy farm Beautification Committee to have my dairy scored in accordance with the rules of the program for the purpose of obtaining a Dairy of Distinction sign to be displayed on my premises (No producer will be charged for scoring or sign expense).

_____ Date _____

Signature of owner/operator

____ Please check if rented or leased

Email _____

Application must be **postmarked by April 15** to:
Carol Ainslie
591 N. Winfield Rd.
West Winfield, NY 13491



Score Card

Northeast Dairy Farm Beautification Program, Inc.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

First Impression Letter Grade _____

	Maximum Points	Points Awarded
<u>Buildings</u>		
Clean and Attractively Finished	10	_____
Physical Condition	10	_____
Uniform Appearance	5	_____
<u>Grounds and Surroundings</u>		
Landscaping	10	_____
Roads and Lanes	5	_____
Fences	5	_____
Ditches	5	_____
<u>Farm Operations</u>		
Animals	5	_____
Barnyard	10	_____
Cleanliness of Roads	5	_____
Manure Handling	5	_____
Machinery	5	_____
Pollution	10	_____
Feed Areas	5	_____
Unnecessary Items	5	_____

Total _____

Judges

1. _____

Date _____

2. _____

Date _____

3. _____

Date _____

Apply Now!

This Dairy of Distinction Honor Can be Yours



Recognition, encouragement, pride, gratitude - ask any of the Northeast's 1000 Dairy of Distinction winners what the Farm beautification program means to them and these are the words you will hear.

The Northeast Dairy Farm Beautification Program wants to remind all dairy farmers in New York, Pennsylvania, Vermont and New Jersey that it is time to be thinking about sprucing up those barns and fences and apply for the Dairy of Distinction Award.

The Dairy of Distinction Program is based on the concept that attractive farmsteads enhance consumer confidence in the dairy industry. The award also recognizes hard work and efforts of all Northeast dairy farmers. "This grassroots recognition has been the key to the program," said William Underwood, the program's first president and farmer from Tully, NY. "This is one way dairy farmers can directly promote their industry", he says. Honoring these farmers says 'thank you', and by promoting this program we can encourage other farmers to do the same. Dairy farmers interested in winning the attractive, multi-colored 18x24" Dairy of Distinction sign will be judged on roadside appearance of buildings, grounds, and surroundings in May of each year. Winning farms are also re-judged each year to ensure they maintain the excellent standard required for the award.

Applications must be submitted to the following by April 15th:
Carol Ainslie, 591 N. Winfield Rd. West Winfield, NY 13491

Dairy of Distinction Application

Farm Name/Owner/Operator _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____ County _____ Email _____

Cooperative or Dealer _____

Driving instructions to your farm _____

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