

OREGON STRAWBERRY COMMISSION

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**2017 CROP YEAR - FRESH MARKET
OREGON STRAWBERRY GROWERS ASSESSMENT REPORT**

Please furnish this report to the commission office at the above address using the following Due Dates for any Oregon Fresh Market or U-Pick Strawberries sold during the corresponding Period. Reports may be submitted by mail (postmarked by due date), email or fax with the Period Due Dates indicated below.

Payment enclosed in the amount of \$ _____ for the assessment collections @ 1% of the gross value of the raw product @ \$0.75 per pound on all Oregon-grown strawberries grown by the undersigned below and sold during the period indicated:

Check One Box:

- Period (1) December 1, 2016 – March 31, 2017 **Due May 15, 2017**
- Period (2) April 1 – July 31, 2017 **Due September 15, 2017**
- Period (3) August 1 – November 30, 2017 **Due January 15, 2018**

When reporting for more than one Period, please use separate forms for each Period. Additional blank forms may be found on our website at: www.oregon-strawberries.com.

NOTE Assessment Exemptions: *Certified Organic Growers and/or Grower sales of less than 1,000 lb. per year are exempt from assessment fees. **Submission of this report is required;** please check box below to indicate exemption status.

Please indicate any corrections in contact information, and include current email and phone number below (*Please Print*):

Owner's Name _____
 Farm/Business Name _____
 Street Address _____
 City, State, Zip code _____
 Email Address _____ Phone _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE _____ **TITLE** _____ **DATE** _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Oregon Strawberry Commission (OSC)

Calculate Assessment: Total weight (pounds) of strawberries sold as Fresh or U-Pick = _____ pounds x \$0.75/per lb = Gross Cash Value total \$ _____.
 Gross Cash Value total x 1% Assessment Rate = **Total Assessment Due \$** _____

Check all that apply:

- GROW LESS THAN 1,000 POUNDS EXEMPTION (exempt from assessment requirement)
- *ORGANIC EXEMPTION (see reverse for documentation requirement - exempt from assessment)
- NO FRESH MARKET OR U-PICK TO REPORT THIS PERIOD / SEASON (circle one)
- FINAL REPORT FOR THE SEASON (check to indicate when all collections are complete; no further reporting is required until the next succeeding season)
- CONFIDENTIAL {ORS 192.501 (26)} (If you prefer your information to remain confidential)

*An organic producer will be exempt from assessment if the producer presents the following information to the commission by September 15th of each year: (a) Either: (i) A current certificate from a certifying agent under the Organic Foods Production Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6501-6522 and its implementing regulations; or (ii) A statement of exemption from certification under the Organic Foods Production Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6501-6522 and its implementing regulations; and (b) A production report signed by the producer containing the producer's name, mailing address, species of berries, and pounds and price for each species.

ORS Chapter 576.335 (2) "A person responsible for collecting an assessment for a commission who fails to deduct an assessment at the time of sale shall report and pay the assessment to the commission. A producer required to report and pay an assessment is subject to this section." ORS Chapter 576.355 (1) "In addition to the penalties prescribed in ORS 576.991, any person who delays transmittal of funds beyond the time set by the commission shall pay 10 % of the amount due and shall also pay 1 ½ % interest per month on the unpaid balance of the assessment.