

August 7, 2020 Updates

Hello MNLA Nursery and Greenhouse Grower Members:

According to the Dept of Health & Human Services Emergency Public Health Order of August 3, 2020, you must have a COVID-19 Testing Plan in place for your workers by Monday, August 10 if you are any of the following:

- Agricultural employers of migrant or seasonal workers with over 20 employees on-site;
- Meat, poultry and egg processing facilities with over 20 employees on-site;
- Greenhouses with over 20 employees on-site;
- Migrant housing camp operator.

I've attached a Testing Plan Template for your use, along with the Emergency Order, FAQs, and a Guidance Document. More information can be found at this link: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98178_101429---,00.html

For use in this Order, here are definitions that we've received from the MI Dept of Ag & Rural Development:

- "Seasonal agriculture worker" means an individual who is employed in [agricultural employment](#) of a seasonal or other temporary nature and is not required to be absent overnight from his permanent place of residence.
- "Agricultural employment" means employment in any service or activity included within the provisions of section 3(f) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 203(f)), or section 3121(g) of title 26 and the handling, planting, drying, packing, packaging, processing, freezing, or grading prior to delivery for storage of any agricultural or horticultural commodity in its unmanufactured state.

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