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North Carolina Ginseng Dealer Permit Requirements

Applicant must initial each statement and sign at the bottom of the page. This signed agreement must be returned before a new license or license renewal will be issued.

___ It is my responsibility that my agents understand and follow all requirements, rules, and regulations.

___ I understand that it is my responsibility to collect a signature from each harvester, as well as the name, address, and phone number from their driver's license or government issued ID, and that the information is accurately entered. I understand that it is my responsibility to confirm that the name of the person selling the ginseng matches the ID provided and signature on the harvester sheet.

___ I understand that it is my responsibility to collect accurate information from harvesters when purchasing, including confirming that the Ginseng was harvested from NC and which county specifically.

___ I understand it is my responsibility to not purchase any harvest that I believe was illegally obtained. Suspected poaching or any other illegal activities can be reported at <https://www.ncwildlife.gov/enforcement/nc-wildtip-turn-poachers-reward-program> or 1-800-622-7137 to report in progress violations.

___ I understand that it is my responsibility not to purchase ginseng that was harvested outside of the legal harvest season. The legal harvest season for Green Ginseng is September 1 to December 31 and Dry Ginseng is September 15 to December 31.

___ I understand it is my responsibility to report any remaining Ginseng at the end of the season to my inspector and fill out a hold over form.

___ I understand that the only reason previously certified Ginseng can be recertified is to exchange Green certificate(s) for Dry certificate(s). I understand that it is my responsibility to notify the inspector if any ginseng I am seeking an export certificate for was previously certified by myself or by another dealer. It is my responsibility to provide all prior Green export certificates issued for the Ginseng to the inspector to be voided before a new Dry export certificate is issued.

___ I understand that I must contact my regional inspector with at least **48 hours** notice when requesting to have a shipment of ginseng certified for export. Note: The inspector may be able to respond more quickly, but we ask that you plan ahead and prepare for response time to take up to 48 hours.

___ I have read this document and all associated materials in their entirety, and I understand all of the content herein.

___ I attest that I will follow all federal and North Carolina laws and regulations pertaining to my work as a ginseng dealer.

Signature

Date

If you have any questions about the rules and regulations associated with American Ginseng and the responsibilities you have agreed to adhere to in order to obtain a North Carolina Ginseng Dealer License, please do not hesitate to contact our office by email at Ginseng@ncagr.gov or by phone at 919-707-3755. You can also reach out to your regional inspector for questions about your paperwork or the export certification process.

Divisional Phone: (919) 707-3730
<http://www.ncagr.gov/plantindustry/>
Ginseng@ncagr.gov

1060 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1060

New Renewal
2026 GINSENG DEALER PERMIT APPLICATION
NC DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER SERVICES
 Plant Industry Division/Plant Conservation Program
 1060 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1060

THIS PERMIT IS VALID FROM DATE OF ISSUANCE TO THE 30TH OF JUNE EACH YEAR. PERMITS ARE ISSUED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS STARTING THE 15TH OF JULY.

Check One: <input type="checkbox"/> Resident* <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Resident <small>*Residency shall be determined by the state of issuance of a driver's license, a NC property owner, or the state of which State and Federal Taxes are paid.</small>	
Print Applicant Name (individual &/or name of business): 	
Requirement: Attach photocopy of DMV issued ID or Driver's License to Application.	NC Resident County: _____ Non-Resident State: _____
Telephone Number: _____	
Applicant Resident/Physical Address - If address is different than what's on your driver's license: 	
Applicant Mailing Address - If mailing address is PO Box, please provide a street address or directions to where roots are kept: 	
If mailing address is a postal route or box number, provide street address or other directions to location where records will be available for inspection: 	
Email Address (optional): 	

Names of agents should be listed on page two of the application. Any individual accepting a harvest purchase, buying ginseng at or outside of the site of business, or signing the export certificate as a representative of a registered ginseng dealer must be listed as an agent. You must send a copy of the agent's driver's license as well. The actions of an agent are the responsibility of the dealer.

I agree to maintain purchase records of all wild, wild-simulated, and cultivated ginseng roots that are purchased, use only the forms provided by the NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services, and complete forms accurately. I agree to make these records and the ginseng roots in my possession available for inspection by an authorized inspector of the NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. I understand that I am responsible for the actions of my agents. I agree to abide by state and federal laws and regulations regarding the collection and sale of ginseng. I further agree to submit all reporting forms monthly throughout the season.

Print Name of Applicant: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

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Fee Structure: **NC Resident Limited** **\$50.00 (not to exceed 100 pounds)**
 NC Resident Un-Limited **\$100.00**
 Non-Resident **\$500.00**

Make Check or Money Order Payable to: **NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services**

Return completed application along with applicable permit fee to:

**NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
Plant Industry Division – Plant Conservation Program
1060 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1060**

List Agents Representing Dealer:

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<p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p>
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