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## **Community Supported Agriculture Application**

Contact Information						
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How Did You Hear About Us?						
Share Requested						
Please let us know which package you are requesting:						
Standard St YES	nare for 4-5 p NO	people, 7-10 items per bo	ox (21 weeks) \$6	600		
Small Share for 2-3 people, 5-7 items per box (21 weeks) \$400						
YES	NO					
Egg Share (21 dozen) \$115						
YES	NO					
Please circle the location where you would like to pick up your Share:						
On-Farm (S	Stanwood)	Wallingford(Seattle)	Shoreline	Everett	Mukilteo	Arlington(Bryant)
Disclaimer and Signature						
By signing this contract, I am agreeing to purchase a share as indicated on this form in the RicXeco Farm CSA. I have read the CSA agreement and agree to its tenents. I understand that my payment is nonrefundable after May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2017. I have read the CSA agreement and agree to it. I understand that farming has risks and that as a CSA member I have agreed to share in those risks as well as benefits when the farm has a highly successful year.						
Signature: Date:						



#### Section I

We, at RicXeco Farm, wish to provide you with fresh, local, farm fresh food and you, the member, wish to receive a portion of our harvest. This agreement outlines our shared commitments to that relationship.

## A. Becoming a Part of Our Farm

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between our farm and our members. Members benefit from having a relationship with their farmers and rather than simply purchasing food, members receive a portion of the farm's harvest.

Our CSA runs for 21 weeks, from mid-June to the end of October. As a member, you are responsible for showing up at your designated drop site each week to pick up your share of freshly harvested produce. Depending on the time of year, a standard share will generally contain 7-10 items. In the peak months of August, it may be more. In June, it may be less. The items will be chosen by the farm based on what is ready to harvest, with variety and menu planning in mind. Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below in Section III.

## B. Our Growing Practices

We adhere to the principles of growing organic farming, however we choose not to be Certified Organic. We find that the costs associated with certification would increase the costs and labor required and drive prices up. We are committed to sustainably growing your produce and keeping costs affordable. We do this by caring for the health of our soil, using cover crops, ecological pest management techniques, crop rotations, organic amendments, making efficient use of water for irrigation, and composting. We're happy to discuss our growing practices anytime.

## C. The Products We Expect for 2017

We have a total of 102 varieties of vegetables planned for 2017. In addition, we have several herbs we plan to add into our CSA shares timed to pair with the vegetable in season. The list below outlines some of the produce we hope to deliver. Further details can be found on our website. Of course weather, pests, and other events will affect actual production.

Arugula

Beans, Green, Yellow, Burgundy

Basil

**Beets** 

**Bok Choy** 

Broccoli

Cabbage

Carrots

Cauliflower

Chard

Radicchio

Cilantro

**Cherry Tomatoes** 

Collards Greens

Cucumber

Eggplant

Fennel

Garlic, Fresh

Kale

Kohlrabi

Leeks

Lettuces

Melons

Onions

Parsley
Parsnip
Potatoes
Radish
Salad Mix
Shallots
Sugar Snap Peas
Spinach
Tomatoes
Turnips
Winter Squash
Zucchini

#### Section II

#### A. Sharing in the Risk of Crop Failure

We promise to do our best to provide you with a bountiful share each week. The quantity of produce, however, may vary from week to week due to extreme weather, insects, or other production factors. By signing up for RicXeco Farm's CSA, you are agreeing to share the risk of crop failure with us and other members. We grow a wide variety of vegetables, if our spring season doesn't provide us with a bountiful harvest, members will receive more quantity and variety later in the season to make up for the spring shortage.

## B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus

If there is a bountiful year on the farm, the CSA members receive more product in their boxes than was originally planned for. In other words, the reward is shared with our members. In addition to our CSA, our farm sells to farmers' markets and restaurants. Although production is not segregated, our CSA receives priority. After filling our CSA share with the week's harvest first, the remainder is sold to our other markets.

## Section III Picking Up Shares

Pick-up procedure will depend on your site. Pickup at the farm is during specific times only. Other sites include the farmers markets we are present at, businesses and private residences. Specific locations are shared upon request prior to sign-up or upon becoming a member.

- 1. Your produce will be delivered in a box weekly. These boxes are reusable and need to be kept in good shape. Please return it to the drop site the following week for it to be reused. This is one of the ways we keep our costs down and reduce landfill use.
- 2. Pick up your share within the timeframe stated in the site-specific procedure information which you will receive once you have signed up and the season is getting close to starting.
- 3. Sign for your produce. There will be a clipboard at pick-up location that will have a spreadsheet with your name and the date. Please make a mark in the corresponding box. This sign-off sheet helps the site host figure out who hasn't picked up their share, it's also especially helpful for when a friend is picking-up your share.
- 4. If you're going to miss a distribution, you can:
- a) Have a friend pick it up for you or pass it on to someone else, just be sure to let them know how and when.
- b) Skip a week, notify us 24-hours before delivery day so that we can send the box directly to the food bank.

Unclaimed produce will go to the site host, or to the food bank.

## Section IV. Member Fees

Share prices for 2017 are \$600 for a Standard Share and \$400 for Small Share. Egg shares can be added for \$115. You can choose to make your payment in full or in two equal installments. All payments are non-refundable after May 1, 2017.

### Section V. Communication

The best way to communicate with us is via email. The farmer, Jean-Yves is available by email when he is not in the fields at <a href="mailto:jylandry@ricxeco.com">jylandry@ricxeco.com</a>.

Please contact us with any news of the following: changes to your postal or email address, changes to your drop-site location, problems with your drop-site, or dissatisfaction with your share.

We will communicate with you by email. When you sign up, you will be added to our distribution list. Please read your emails from us. We depend on being able to communicate important information such as necessary changes to your distribution schedule or to our farm events.

Every week we will include a newsletter giving you information the produce in that week's share, recipe ideas, and farm related news.