

# Nutrient Management Strategy – Recognized Consultant Program

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## APPLICATION FORM

A valid AOSPD certificate holder who is not in the Progressive Compliance System may apply to be in the Recognized Consultant Program (RCP) during the application period once he or she has read the RCP manual found on [nutrientmanagement.ca](http://nutrientmanagement.ca). Acceptance into the program will be based on evaluation against the criteria identified in the program manual. All consultants must adhere to the regulations and protocols, conditions on their certificates; the RCP is an enhancement to the AOSPD certificate requirements.

After submitting this application, applicants must submit all NMS following the current RCP submission criteria found in the program manual. If accepted into the Recognized Consultant Program, consultants may be required to recommit to the Code of Practice on an annual basis.

Submit application by email to: [NutrientManagement.ONeSourceForms@ontario.ca](mailto:NutrientManagement.ONeSourceForms@ontario.ca)

To be accepted into the program, applicants must agree to the following code of practice:

### Recognized Consultant Program Code of Practice

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As a Recognized Nutrient Management Consultant, I agree to:

1. Submit all Nutrient Management Strategies using the current RCP submission criteria. (Section 3.1 of Program Manual)
2. Submit high-quality Nutrient Management Strategies that are clear, concise and accurate.
3. Ensure my work and actions promote efficiency and integrity of the Nutrient Management Program, which includes following documented AOSPD Performance Guidelines
4. Not misrepresent or conceal any information or circumvent the regulation and ensure all Nutrient Management Strategies I prepare accurately reflect the realities or proposed realities of the farm operation I am representing.
5. Ensure the information and professional advice I give is accurate, up-to-date, follows agronomic best practice and adheres to legislative requirements.
6. Explain the following to my clients: the NMS and all relevant regulations, the approval documents and conditions added to the approval, the ongoing record keeping requirements and the renewal requirement after five years.
7. Report serious contravention of the NMA and related Acts and Regulations (e.g., the Environmental Protection Act, and the Ontario Water Resources Act) to the proper authority.

### Declaration:

I \_\_\_\_\_ agree to all of the criteria of the Recognized Consultant Program and any changes that may be made to the program. I understand that the Recognized Consultant Program is an enhancement to my certification, and I may be removed from the program at any point if I do not meet the criteria. I am applying to be part of the Recognized Consultant Program and agree that my acceptance in this program is at the discretion of the Manager - Approvals, Certification and Licensing.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_