

LB299 Occupational licenses/boards
Milk Cooperative Field Representative – PDF Attached as Required

Provide and Explanation for why you believe or do not believe that the occupational regulations overseen by your board have been effective.

The licensing of dairy cooperative field representatives has proven effective for Nebraska dairy producers and processors. The field representative is responsible for the quality control and procurement of raw milk for processing as well as performing sampling duties when authorized by NDA. The public health and safety is dependent upon a quality milk supply and the field representative is a part of this.

Comparison of other states:

- **Kansas**
Milk fieldmen must apply either online or by mail. Training and testing is online with evaluation by a dairy inspector. The annual permit/license fee is \$35 and is evaluated annual. Kansas accepts other state permits for fieldmen operating in the state.
- **Missouri**
Milk fieldmen are licensed in Missouri by written and online training, online testing and an on-site evaluation. The annual permit/license fee is \$25 and is evaluated every two years. Missouri accepts other state's permits, but the milk fieldmen must also apply for a Missouri license (\$25).
- **Colorado**
Colorado does not license milk fieldmen separately as most are licensed as milk haulers. There is no permit fee or evaluation. Colorado accepts other state permits, but they are not necessary.
- **Iowa**
Milk fieldmen are licensed by a written test and a farm evaluation. The permit/license fee is \$20 for a two year permit evaluated every two years. Iowa will accept another state license with a current evaluation.