

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COMMERCE**  
**BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY**  
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**CHIEF PILOT AUTHORIZATION FORM**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to serve as chief pilot for  
\_\_\_\_\_ in accordance with the Regulations Governing  
Registration and Licensing of Agricultural Aircraft of the Mississippi Department of Agriculture and  
Commerce.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR CHIEF PILOT**

**SECTION IV. INITIAL LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**

- (3) **Chief Pilot** – Each person who is designated a chief pilot shall:
- a) **Have at least 500 hours of commercial agricultural aerial application flying time as pilot-in-command, and two years experience either as a chief pilot or under the direct supervision of a chief pilot in accordance with FAR 137 and in accordance with governing state laws in the state or states where the experience was gained, and be able to show proof thereof. Proof of experience may consist of a notarized affidavit from one of the following persons who has personal knowledge of the designee's experience: another applicator, a state or federal regulatory official, or an officer of a State or National Agricultural Aviation Association, or any other person as may be acceptable to the Department;**
  - b) **Hold a current commercial or airline transport pilot certificate from FAA;**
  - c) **Be the holder of a current pilot's license issued by the Department;**
  - d) **Submit proof from FAA that the person has met the knowledge and skill tests requirement and is competent to serve as chief pilot in accordance with FAR 137;**
  - e) **Pass a written examination administered by the Department's staff;**
  - f) **Make regular checks on operation and record keeping to assure compliance; and**
  - g) **Instruct each pilot and ascertain that he or she is knowledgeable of the responsibilities for compliance with all state and federal regulations pertaining to agricultural aircraft operations.**

**SIGNATURE OF CHIEF PILOT** \_\_\_\_\_  
**SIGNATURE OF OPERATOR** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

(if different from chief pilot)