

Mobile Processing Unit User Agreement

The Mobile Processing Unit (MPU) is intended expressly for on-farm processing of poultry for home use and/or for sale under the North Carolina inspection exemption. North Carolina Cooperative Extension Stokes County Center (NCCESCC) agrees to allow the use of the MPU to the below listed individual (the "User") in consideration for User agreeing to the following:

User agrees and acknowledges that it is the User's sole responsibility to know and comply with all state and local laws and regulations governing food safety, including but not limited to those relating to state inspection exemptions. User further understands and agrees that the User is solely responsible for proper operation of the MPU and for proper disposal of offal (guts, body, head, feathers, etc.). User is solely responsible for the User's operation of the MPU. **In addition, the User agrees to pay for any damages to the MPU which occur during transportation or operation of the MPU. The User understands the possible risks and dangers associated with the operation of the MPU and assumes all risks of personal injury, death, and property damage or loss from any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to, his own conduct and the negligence of anyone else.** The User hereby releases and shall indemnify, defend and save harmless NCCESCC, NC State University, the State of North Carolina, and their respective trustees, officers, agents, and employees (the "indemnified persons and entities") from all liabilities, losses, costs, damages, claims or causes of action of any kind or nature whatsoever, and expenses, including attorneys' fees and litigation, arising or claimed to have arisen out of personal injuries or death, or property damage or loss, sustained by the User as a result of User's operation of the MPU, as well as those injuries or property damage sustained by others as a result of the User's operation of the MPU.

Damaged or lost equipment

The items below are checked out with the MPU; **the replacement cost of the item must be repaid if damaged or lost.**

- Large Poultry Cones - 8
- XL Turkey Cones - 4
- Kill Cone stand and base - 1
- Featherman scalding with manual dunker - 1
- Featherman Pro XL plucker - 1
- Stainless Steel Table (eviscerating) - 1
- Additional Stainless Steel Table - 1
- Transformer (110-220v) - 1
- NSF Certified Water Hose (50 ft) - 1
- Long handled cleaning brush - 2
- Trailer lock and key - 1

In addition to these items, the User is responsible for ensuring all electrical cords for the equipment above, as well as the cord for the trailer brake lights, are either properly attached (trailer lights) or stored properly and will not be damaged in transit. Damage to any equipment, including the trailer, will incur a replacement cost fee charged to the User. The User understands the MPU hitch accepts only a 2" ball. The User also understands that NCCESCC Staff will not assist with attaching the MPU trailer to the User's personal vehicle. The User is solely responsible for attaching the MPU to their own vehicle. Additionally, the User is responsible for ensuring the MPU equipment is securely fastened to the trailer before leaving NCCESCC property (i.e. checking ratchet straps). The user is responsible for any damage, theft, or loss that occurs any time the MPU is not on NCCESCC property.

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The MPU and trailer have two small pieces that are essential to the use and safe operation of the trailer/equipment. Any User that fails to return the hitch safety pin (pictured below) or manual dunker pin (pictured below) will be assessed a \$25 fee.



The hitch safety pin



The manual dunker pin (left), trailer lock key (right), & storage bag

Rental rates are \$50 per rental period (up to seven days). If the User anticipates needing the unit longer than the reserved time period, the User must request an extension from the NCCESCC representative listed below before the initial rental period ends. Payment must be made at pick-up via cash or check. We cannot accept card payments. Please bring exact change.

Users that have failed to cancel a reservation, or failed to pick up the unit when reserved without communicating with the Extension office in the past 12 months will be required to submit a \$25 deposit to hold future reservations.

Any User returning the MPU dirty (e.g. blood, offal, mud, excessive feathers) will be charged a cleaning fee.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____