

## The Best Place on Earth Ministry of Agriculture and Lands



#### "100 years in the same family"

# **Century Farm Award Program Overview**

# **Award Description:**

Century Farm Awards are designed to honour pioneers whose farms, ranches, institutions or associations have been around for 100 years or more. Gate signs will be presented by the Minister of Agriculture and Lands or a high-ranking official as delegated by the Minister. Gate signs will be presented at appropriate venues as determined in consultation with the recipients; for example, at fairs, agricultural meetings, commodity group events, etc.

#### **Award Criteria:**

Century Farm Awards are designed to honour pioneers whose farm businesses or ranch businesses have been in the family for 100 years or more. To qualify for the awards, farm businesses or ranch businesses must have been a minimum of two hectares (five acres) at all times and must currently be operated as a farm business or ranch business by the immediate descendants of the original owners.

## **Categories:**

- 1) A farm business or ranch business that has been owned and operated by the same family for 100 years or more.
- 2) A farm business or ranch business that has been owned and operated by the same family for 100 years or more, but whose owners do not now live on it or operate it.
- 3) A farm business or ranch business that has been owned and operated by the same family for 100 years or more, but has moved from one location to another and has remained active.
- 4) An Institute, Industry Association, etc. that has been active for the past 100 years or more.

#### **Options for Awards:**

All Categories will receive a gate sign.

## **Contact:**

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## **Research Responsibility:**

Applicants are responsible for all research and supporting documentation. A written history of family ownership must be provided. The application will not be processed without documentation.

Please do not send original documents with your application, send only photocopies, as these will be filed with your application.