## **Corning Meat Locker User Agreement**

Welcome to the Meat Locker! We aim to provide simple, friendly service, with straightforward terms and conditions. Please carefully read both sides of the form below and sign to acknowledge your understanding. Thank you, and welcome to the Meat Locker!

- 1. The Meat Locker is a warehouse, permitted by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. We are not involved in farm-consumer brokering and sales, transactions between buyers and sellers, or inventory management. We provide freezer storage space. We cannot ensure that a buyer or seller will complete transactions.
- 2. We are equipped with an alarm system and a back-up plan in the event of power loss. The large bins permit padlocks; it is the user's responsibility to provide an optional padlock. In the event of a power outage longer than 5 days, we will contact you to empty your bin.
- 3. Your storage unit is accessible for pick-up ONLY during the scheduled distribution hours. Drop-offs can take place anytime Monday through Friday between 9AM and 5PM by appointment only, with 72 hours advance notice. We reserve the right to refuse to open the Meat Locker beyond these terms.
- 4. It is the user's responsibility to inventory and account for all of their bin's contents upon delivery, and to sign for contents removed during distribution hours. If one unit is shared between multiple authorized parties, the Meat Locker management assumes no responsibility for the nature of inventory distribution among the parties. At the time of drop-off, the Meat Locker Manager will assist you in creating an inventory sheet.
- 5. Meat Locker rent is due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. We will contact you *one week* prior to your next payment. Any party that has not paid rent will be forbidden to access their share until all back-rents are paid in full. Any party leaving their unit unpaid without contacting us for 60 days automatically forfeits the contents of their bin and their padlock, if applicable. Padlocks will be cut and contents of any forfeited units will be donated to a local soup kitchen or discarded.
- 6. Units are rented on a first-come, first-serve basis, and a waiting list is maintained. There is a maximum of two bins per renter. We require 15 days advance notice if you decide to terminate your Meat Locker account.
- 7. Allowable contents of a unit are a) meat purchased from area farmers, b) meat from local hunted game, c) meat from home-raised livestock and poultry. We reserve the right to refuse to store any unacceptable content.
- 8. Users may store more than one species in a bin, however, they must be stored side-by-side and separated by a divider. Cardboard is an acceptable divider. NYS law forbids storing multiple species one on top of the other.
- 9. <u>All contents must be frozen and properly packaged</u> at the time of drop-off. All contents are subject to inspection at the time of delivery. <u>We reserve the right to refuse to store</u> any contents that are unfrozen or improperly packaged.
- 10. The lid of a bin must close completely; bins cannot be stored over-stuffed. We assume no responsibility for damages to your contents after we have admitted them to the Meat Locker.
- 11. It is the user's responsibility to submit the names of all parties permitted to access the unit. Only individuals listed on the signed registration farm will be permitted to access

- the unit. Anyone accessing a unit should have a current photo ID to present during pick-up hours, or they may be denied access.
- 12. Users are limited to 2 (two) bins per membership, regardless of bin size. If users arrive at a drop-off appointment with more meat than can be safely and legally stored in two bins, they will need to bring home the excess meat

I hereby agree to this User Agreement and sign to indicate my full understanding of and future compliance with these terms and conditions.

Name (print):	Signature:
Date:	