# **Preparing to complete the Maine Agricultural Trades Show Interest Form**



## Before you begin

- Please visit the show webpage to read more about the ways to participate in the show, and subscribe to show news.
- Bookmark the show webpage link for applicants and participants: <a href="www.maine.gov/dacf/agtradeshow/participants">www.maine.gov/dacf/agtradeshow/participants</a>

#### Types of information the form collects

- Please read the reference list of questions for more detailed examples of questions organized by topic.
- The form has two parts:
  - Part One: Input contact information for your organization, primary, billing, and on-site contacts.
  - Part Two: Select the ways you want to participate in the show, and answer logistics and planning questions.
- Note:
  - Select as few or as many ways to participate that apply to you.
  - Not everyone will complete the entire application; only those who wish to apply for all parts of the show.

#### Best practices for completing your form

- You will have the chance to edit information while the form is open but **not after you submit** the form.
- You will have the choice to save a copy of your responses. <u>We recommend saving your responses</u>. <u>However, you will</u> also receive an email confirmation with your responses.
- Use one form to submit your contact info and choose all the ways you want to participate in the show. For example: if you are applying for a booth and conference space, use one form to input all the information. Failure to do so may delay your application and responses by show organizers.
- Plan to complete all the information in one sitting before submitting it by the priority deadline for best rates.
- Avoid acronyms Failure to do so may delay your application and responses by show organizers.
- Check your work Typos, incorrect emails and addresses, and web browser autofill are common ways that applicants accidentally enter inaccurate information into a form. Errors may limit the ways that show organizers communicate status updates and important information, including participant selection.

## Common graphics and icons found on the form and their meanings



**Exhibits** 



**Listening Post** 



Conferences/Meeting



Sponsorship, "Maine" Stage