

SECTION 12: Crop Rotation §205.203, §205.205

Please Note: The producer must implement a crop rotation including but not limited to sod, cover crops, green manure crops, and catch crops that provide the following function that are applicable for the operation: maintain or improve soil organic matter content, provide for pest management in annual and perennial crops, manage deficient or excess plant nutrients, and provide erosion control.

The crop rotation requirement applies to all locations where crops are grown in the ground: fields, high tunnels, and greenhouses.

1. Describe your crop rotation plan for each field, high tunnel, and greenhouse, as applicable. What do you consider when determining where to grow each crop? What goals are you trying to meet and problems addressed through rotation?

2. For perennial crops, in lieu of rotating crops, describe how you introduce biological diversity, such as implementing ground cover, alley cropping, intercropping or hedgerows into the system.