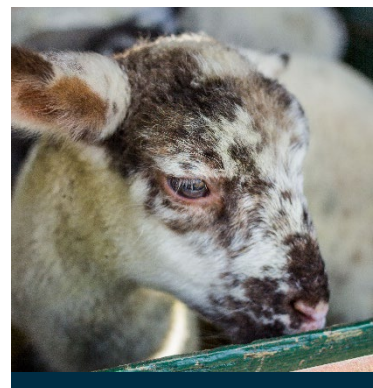




# Requirements and Program Authority for Wild/Cultivated Mushrooms in Michigan



**Kim Galloup**  
**Produce Safety Unit Manager**  
**Dairy, Feed, and Produce Division**

## **Discuss requirements and criteria for:**

- Wild-foraged Mushrooms
- Food Program Licensing
  - Retail
  - Wholesale
- Cottage Food
- Produce Safety Unit Inspections





# Program Overview and Nomenclature

- Wild-foraged Mushroom Certification Program
  - Required for **any and all** wild-foraged mushrooms sold for human consumption
- Human Food Division Program – “Food Program”
  - MDARD retail and manufactured foods program
  - Licenses required
  - Wild mushroom certification
- Cottage Food Law
  - Unlicensed
  - Specific requirements and criteria
- Dairy, Feed, and Produce Division – “Produce Safety Unit”
  - On-farm produce safety rule inspections
  - Whole, uncut, raw agricultural commodities
  - Unlicensed



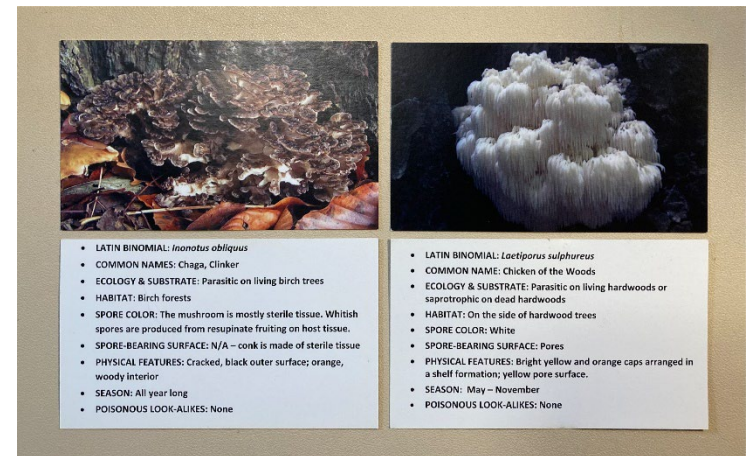
# Wild-foraged Mushroom Certification Program

- In partnership with Midwest American Mycological Information (MAMI)
- Began in 2015
- Required for **any and all** wild-foraged mushrooms sold for human consumption **regardless** of:
  - Whether the mushrooms are processed (cutting, grinding, chopping, etc.)
  - Who the end user is (direct to consumer, wholesale)
- Other experts may be used if recognized



# Wild-foraged Mushroom Certification Program

- Allows participants to become a certified wild-foraged mushroom identifier in the state of Michigan
- Two-day workshop
- Written exam
- Completion of exam with a passing grade allows participants to receive an Expert Mushroom Identifier card issued by MDARD



# Food Program – Licensing Aspects

- License is required if:
  - Processing of mushrooms for wholesale
    - Cutting, chopping, grinding, etc.
  - Processing of mushrooms for retail if:
    - Cutting, chopping, grinding, etc.
    - If requirements of Cottage Food Law are not met
  - Any mushroom (wild-foraged or cultivated) - (whole, uncut, raw, or dried) that are wholesaled by an individual other than the grower or forager





# Mushrooms and Cottage Food Law

- “Production” of non-TCS foods in a home kitchen
- Exempt from licensing
- Direct sale to consumer only
- Wild-foraged mushrooms from approved sources and cultivated mushrooms can be dried and sold
  - Documentation required for wild mushrooms
  - Specific criteria for dehydration process
- Labeling, adulteration requirements
- Must adhere to other applicable state or federal laws, or local ordinances



# Produce Safety Unit

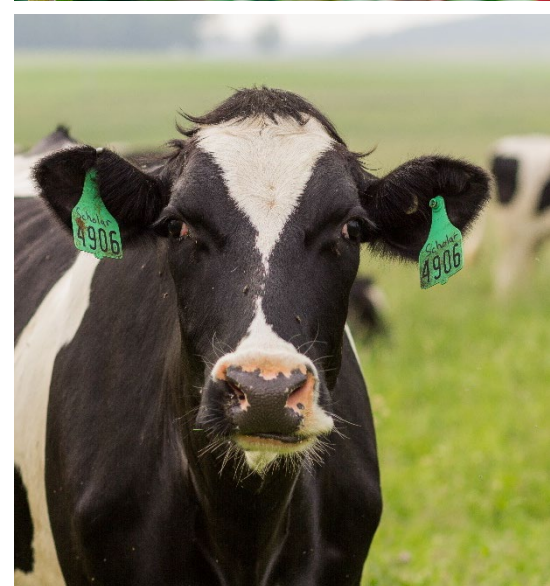
- Inspection of farm required if:
  - The farm meets inspection criteria under 21 CFR 112
    - Grow, harvest, pack, or hold whole, uncut mushrooms
      - Foraging = harvesting, not growing
      - Drying = holding
        - Unless a distinct commodity is created
    - Fresh or dried whole mushrooms can be wholesaled by the grower/forager without a license
    - If slicing/drying under cottage food for retail, Cottage Food criteria must be met
- Licensing is not required, but if a farm meets the criteria to receive a PSR inspection, they must complete the inspection





# Wild-foraged Mushrooms vs. Cultivated

- Bottom line: The only difference between wild and cultivated mushroom requirements is a wild mushroom certification
- Everything else relating to license requirements is equal for wild or cultivated mushrooms



# Collaboration between Food and Produce Program

- Communication among inspectors
- MDARD “Shared” Drive
  - Approved wild mushroom expert certification
  - Food and produce inspectors can access
- Electronic Inspection System (FIRST)
  - Food Inspection Regulatory System Technology (FIRST)
  - Food and produce inspectors can access
  - Houses all information/inspections for
    - Licensed food establishments
    - Produce farms
  - “Relate” function





# Wild-foraged and Cultivated Mushroom Policy

- Lays out requirements for wild-foraged mushroom certification and licensing requirements
- Moving forward...
  - Communication and collaboration between programs



# Questions?



Kim Galloup  
517-743-1343  
GalloupK@michigan.gov



@MichDeptofAg