Maryland-Delaware Forage Council, Inc.

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The Future:



You, Forages, and MDFC

Now more than ever, the role of forages and grasslands must be promoted. We are at a critical point—we must make the best use of all of our feed resources and forages have an important role to play. Approximately 65% of all feed units consumed by dairy cattle in the U.S. are forages (hay, silage, and pasture). Beef cattle get about 75% of their total feed units from forage, and sheep about 90%.

MDFC was organized in 1983 to serve as a forum for forages and grasslands in Maryland and Delaware and coordinate the efforts of universities, numerous businesses, and service agencies to increase the effectiveness of progress on behalf of the forage industry.

With your support, MDFC can accomplish much toward a better forage industry. By becoming a member and involved in the council's programs, you and MDFC can serve an even more active role in support of the industry.

Maryland-Delaware Forage Council
Affiliated American Forage and Grassland Council
Attn: Mark Townsend
330 Montevue Lane, Frederick, MD 21702



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It is the policy of the Maryland-Delaware Forage Council that no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the grounds of race, color, sex, handicap, age, or national origin.



The Maryland-Delaware Forage Council, Inc.

Dedicated

To the profitable production and use of quality forages.

Convinced

That greater forage production and use will help us maintain a sound agricultural economy, continue the enjoyment of animal products in our diet at competitive prices, and conserve our soil and water resources for the enjoyment and use by future generations.

Programmed

To serve as a forum for general issues that affect the forage industry. To seek more effective organization of forage interests at state and local levels. To provide an information link between all forage interests and the general public and provide leadership and coordination.

Represented

By people from farming, business, research, Extension, teaching, and government, all working together to mold the forage and grassland sector of our economy into a stronger force in Maryland and Delaware agriculture. MDFC solicits your participation and membership.



Objectives

- To promote profitable farming of forages and provide leadership for forage activities in Maryland and Delaware.
- To connect producers, users, researchers, regulators, and legislators.
- To encourage product suppliers to provide the best products and information.
- To help identify industry needs and encourage university research and education.
- To promote forage legumes use to replace fertilizer N.
- To promote the environmental benefits value of forage crops and grazing.
- To promote the use of BMPs on forages.



What Can MDFC Do For You?

- ➤ Help provide winter forage conferences to give members access to the latest forage information.
- Sponsor summer field days and pasture walks to help members connect with one another and see new management techniques.
- Periodic emails and written information from AFGC and MDFC to keep members informed.

Who Can Be a MDFC Member?

Forage producers, dairy and livestock producers, hay dealers, agribusinesses, eduators, researchers, government employees, news media folks, or anyone interested in the objectives of MDFC.

How Do You Join?

Simply fill out the application included in this brochure and send it along with a check for \$25 to Maryland-Delaware Forage Council, Attn: Mark Townsend, 330 Montevue Lane, Frederick, MD 21702