



LEASE RESOURCES

****National Ag Law Center [very complete, a good place to start]**

State statutes, regulations, case law, publications, legal liability concerns, sample contracts

<http://nationalaglawcenter.org/research-by-topic/ag-leases/>

- Major statutes
 - Alaska Livestock Grazing Act; Taylor Grazing Act; Pierce Act; Leasing, Sale or Surrender of Allotted or Unallotted Lands
- Regulations
 - Leases and permits; grazing permits; grazing administration; etc
- Case Law for ag leases
- Research Publications
 - State fence law statutes; wind energy leasing handbook; ag contracting; alternative enterprises and recreational development to bolster farm income; landowners' legal liability concern; bull leasing contract; written sugarcane leases; ag contracts and leasing land powerpoint
- Congressional Research Service Public Lands report
- Ag Law Bibliography
 - Leases; public lands
- References
 - History of grazing, BLM handbook; grazing fee statistics; land values and cash rents; US Forest Service; permitted livestock grazing; landowners guide to hydraulic fracturing; leasing farmland in NJ; wind energy development; farm management leasing in Kansas; University of NE farm lease calculator; Iowa farm leases; lease alternatives for CRP land; farm lease termination; hunting leases; cattle lease checklist; improving your farm lease contract; leasing v. buying; lease rents for existing farm buildings; ag lease factsheets
- More Resources
 - Grazing leasing and liability (TX), etc

Land for Good

Materials for landowners, institutions, nonprofits and farmers; template leases, elements of a good lease, explanation of different types of leases

www.landforgood.org/resources/toolbox/leasing/

- New England Farm Leasing Tutorial
- Farmland Tenure and Leasing
- A Landowners Guide to Leasing Land for Farming
- Leasing Land to Farmers: A Handbook for New England Land Trusts, Municipalities, and Institutions
- Elements of a Good Farm Lease
- A Lease Agreement Guide for Farmers and Landowners
- Farm Rental Agreement Checklist

Sample Leases

- Short-term lease agreement
- Multi-year lease
- Long-term lease on public land
- Share lease agreement
- Model agriculture ground lease

CA FarmLink

Lease templates, elements of a good lease, lease type fact sheets

www.californiafarmlink.org/resource-library

- Cash lease agricultural base lease template
- Cash lease Fact Sheet
- Cash lease from Government and Non-Profit Organization Fact Sheet
- Crop Share Lease Fact Sheet
- Ground Lease Fact Sheet
- Lease-to-own Fact Sheet



Equity Trust

Model ground lease and conservation easements with commentary

www.equitytrust.org/category/publications/farm-resources/

- Model Agricultural Ground Lease
- Commentary on Model Agricultural Ground Lease
- Model Agricultural Conservation Easement with Option to Purchase
- Commentary on Model Agricultural Conservation Easement with Option to Purchase

Farmers Legal Action Group

Leasing guides for Minnesota, guides to organic contracts

www.flaginc.org/topic/contracts/

- Farmers Guide to Organic Contracts
- Leasing Farm Land in Minnesota
- Many others

New Entry Sustainable Farming Project

Lease template, landowner guide, MOU guide

<http://nesfp.nutrition.tufts.edu/resources/sample-land-lease-agreement>

Ag Leases 101

Lease templates; determining lease rates; pasture and beef cow worksheets

<http://aglease101.org/doclib/default.aspx>

- Lease Publications
 - Fixed & Flexible cash rental agreements
 - Crop share rental arrangements
 - Pasture rental agreement
 - Rental agreement for farm buildings and livestock
 - Purchasing and leasing farm equipment
 - Beef cow rental agreements
 - Farm building rental rate survey
- Forms
 - Cash farm lease
 - Crop-share farm lease
 - Pasture lease
 - Farm building or livestock facility lease
 - Farm machinery lease for non-commercial transaction
 - Livestock rental lease
- Worksheets
 - Pasture Lease worksheets
 - Beef cow lease worksheets

University of Vermont

Determining lease rates

www.uvm.edu/newfarmer/land/RentalGuide.pdf

UC Davis

Types of leases, determining lease rates

http://sfp.ucdavis.edu/pubs/Family_Farm_Series/Farmmanage/leases/

Drake University

Landowner lease guide

www.sustainablefarmlease.org/the-landowners-guide-to-sustainable-farm-leases/



Lease templates organized by type

<http://sustainableaglandtenure.com/2010/06/form-leases/>

- Iowa State flexible provision lease template
- Pasture lease
- Illinois cash farm lease & crop share lease
- Iowa farm lease
- Maryland Cash lease of land, buildings, and equipment
- New Mexico lease agreement
- Indiana Cash farm lease
- University of Tennessee cash farm lease with provision explanations

Montana University Extension

Cash lease explanation

<http://www.montana.edu/extensionecon/dynamicsinag/cashfarmleasepub836.pdf>

Colorado State University Extension

Template leases, resources for determining lease rates, explanation of different types of leases

www.coopext.colostate.edu/ABM/leasing.shtml

- Crop Share Lease Agreements (pdf)
- Fixed Cash Crop Lease Agreements (pdf)
- Estimating Rental Rates of Crop Land for Landowners & Tenants) (Excel)
- Are Crop Share Proportions Equitable for Landowners & Tenants? (Excel)
- Flexible Cash Crop Lease Agreements (pdf)
- Leasing Arrangements for Cattle (pdf)
- Analyzing Hay Storage Investments (pdf)
- Pasture Leases (pdf)
- Lease Rates for Privately Owned, Non-Irrigated Pastures for 2013 (pdf)

www.coopext.colostate.edu/ABM/landleasesfornewfarmers.pdf

- Land Leases for New & Beginning Farmers in Colorado

Iowa State University

Lease templates

www.extension.iastate.edu/wright/news/iowa-farm-lease-forms

- Lease long form
- Lease short form
- Cash farm lease
- Crop-share lease
- Cash farm lease
- Irrigation crop share or crop-share/cash farm lease
- Pasture lease
- Farm building or livestock facility lease

Flexible farm lease explanation

<http://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/wholefarm/pdf/c2-21.pdf>

ATTRA – NCAT

Tips for Farm Leasing

<https://attra.ncat.org/attra-pub/summaries/summary.php?pub=427>

Farm Service Agency

Cash lease template & crop share lease

<http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/efcommon/eFileServices/eFormsAdmin/FSA1940-0053.pdf>

<http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/efcommon/eFileServices/eFormsAdmin/FSA1940-0051.pdf>