

Virginia Poultry Litter Transport Incentive Program

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation offers a poultry litter transport incentive program to facilitate the efficient use of poultry litter as a crop nutrient source in areas that can most benefit from those nutrients and that are outside of the main poultry-producing counties. The goal of this program is to encourage the development of self-sustaining poultry litter markets outside the Chesapeake Bay watershed and in certain specified areas within the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

Participants can receive **\$17.50 or \$25 per ton** of litter generated in Rockingham or Page County. Participants can receive **\$30 per ton** of litter generated in Accomack County.

Requirements

- Poultry litter must originate from farms in Page, Rockingham or Accomack counties.
- Up to 800 tons of litter may be eligible per applicant per incentive request.
- Certified scale weight tickets are required to receive payment.
- Participants must follow a nutrient management plan for fields receiving litter application. Fields eligible for payment must not exceed maximum soil test P level requirements.

How to apply



The Poultry Litter Transport Incentive Request Form is available to download at www.dcr.virginia.gov/litter-transport. Request forms must be completed and returned with a Virginia W9 tax form to vapoultrylittertransport@dcr.virginia.gov.

For more information, contact 540-416-5350.

Poultry litter value

Based on 2025 bulk fertilizer pricing and average broiler litter nutrient analysis, a ton of litter applied can supply approximately \$64.69 worth of N-P-K (NC State Extension- "Poultry Litter as a Fertilizer Source"). Additionally, poultry litter will supply micronutrients and add organic matter to the soil. These additions are essential to increasing the water-holding capacity of the soil and promoting positive plant growth over a longer period.

