# SCHEDULE J

Form 740 42A740-J (10-15)

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2015

Department of Revenue

# KENTUCKY FARM INCOME AVERAGING

➤ See federal instructions for Schedule J.

➤ Attach to Form 740.

Ente	Enter name(s) as shown on tax return.  Your So					
Not	e: Compute tax using the Tax Table or the Tax Rate Schedule appropriate to each year. This is tax before cre	edits.				
1.	Enter your taxable income from Form 740, line 11	1	00			
	Enter your elected farm income. Do not exceed amount on federal Schedule J, line 2a*		00			
	Subtract line 2 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-		00			
	Compute the tax on the amount on line 3 using the 2015 tax rate or tax rate schedule		00			
	If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:					
	• 2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 11.					
	• 2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 15.					
	• 2012 but not 2013 or 2014, enter the amount from your 2012 Schedule J, line 3	00				
	Otherwise, enter the taxable income from your <b>2012</b> Form 740, line 11 or					
	Form 740-EZ, line 3. If zero or less, see instructions.					
6.	Divide the amount on line 2 by 3.0	00				
7.	Add lines 5 and 6. If zero or less, enter -0	00				
8.	Compute the tax on the amount on line 7 using the 2012 tax rate or tax rate schedule	8	00			
9.	If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:					
	2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 15.					
	2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 3 9	00				
	Otherwise, enter the taxable income from your 2013 Form 740, line 11 or					
	Form 740-EZ, line 3. If zero or less, see instructions.					
	Enter the amount from line 6	00				
11.	Add lines 9 and 10. If less than zero, enter as a negative amount11	00				
	Compute the tax on the amount on line 11 using the 2013 tax rate or tax rate schedule	12	00			
13.	If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for 2014, enter the amount from					
	your 2014 Schedule J, line 3. Otherwise, enter the taxable income from your					
	2014 Form 740, line 11 or Form 740-EZ, line 3. If zero or less, see					
	instructions	00				
	Enter the amount from line 6	00				
	Add lines 13 and 14. If less than zero, enter as a negative amount	00				
	Compute the tax on the amount on line 15 using the <b>2014</b> tax rate or tax rate schedule	<b>I</b>	00			
	Add lines 4, 8, 12 and 16	1/	00			
18.	If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:					
	<ul> <li>2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 12.</li> <li>2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 16.</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 16.</li> <li>2012 but not 2013 or 2014, enter the amount from your 2012 Schedule J,</li> </ul>					
	line 4. Otherwise, enter the tax from your <b>2012</b> Form 740, line 12 or					
	Form 740-EZ, line 4	00				
19	If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:					
	• 2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 16.					
	• 2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 4.					
	Otherwise, enter the tax from your <b>2013</b> Form 740, line 12 or					
	Form 740-EZ, line 4	00				
20.	If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for 2014, enter the amount from					
	your 2014 Schedule J, line 4. Otherwise, enter the tax from your <b>2014</b>					
	Form 740, line 12 or Form 740-EZ, line 4	00				
21.	Add lines 18 through 20	21	00			
22.	Subtract line 21 from line 17. If the result is less than the tax on the taxable income					
	on line 1, enter the tax on Form 740, line 12 and check the box	22	00			

<sup>\*</sup>Caution: If income from another state is included in the elected farm income on line 2, you must also compute the tax without the other state's income to determine the state tax limitation for credit for taxes paid to other states.

## Instructions for Schedule J

**Purpose of Form**—Use Form Schedule J to elect to figure your 2015 Kentucky income tax by averaging, over the previous 3 years, all or part of your 2015 Kentucky taxable income from your trade or business of farming or fishing. This election may give you a lower tax if your 2015 Kentucky income from farming or fishing is high and your taxable income for one or more of the 3 prior years was low.

### Important Reminders when completing Kentucky Schedule J:

- You must file a federal Schedule J in order to complete a Kentucky Schedule J.
- Use Kentucky figures when completing Kentucky Schedule J.
- If income from another state is included in the elected farm income on line 2, you must also compute the tax without the other state's income to determine the state tax limitation for credit for tax paid to other states.
- You may need copies of your original or amended income tax returns for 2012, 2013 and 2014 to figure your tax on Kentucky Schedule J.
- Keep a copy of your 2015 income tax return to use for your income averaging in 2016, 2017 or 2018.
- For definitions of farming business, fishing business and elected farm income, see federal instructions.
- Compute your tax using the Tax Table for the appropriate year or use the following tax rate schedule.

If taxable income is: Tax before credit is:

\$	0	_	\$ 3,000	2% of taxable income	
\$	3,001	_	\$ 4,000	3% of taxable income minus \$30	
\$	4,001	_	\$ 5,000	4% of taxable income minus \$70	
\$	5,001	_	\$ 8,000	5% of taxable income minus \$120	
\$	8,001	_	\$75,000	5.8% of taxable income minus \$184	
\$ 75,001		and up 6% of taxable income minus \$334			

#### **General Instructions**

#### Line 2, Elected Farm Income – See federal instructions.

Line 4—Compute the tax using the 2015 tax table or by using the tax rate schedule above.

**Line 5**—If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:

- 2014 (that is, you entered the amount from the 2014 Schedule J, line 22 on line 12 of your 2014 Form 740), enter on line 5 the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 11
- 2013 but not 2014, enter on line 5 the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 15.
- 2012 but not 2013 or 2014, enter on line 5 the amount from your 2012 Schedule J, line 3.

Otherwise, enter the taxable income from your **2012** Form 740, line 11 or Form 740-EZ, line 3. If the amount entered is zero or less, see federal instructions.

Line 8—Compute the tax on line 7 using the 2012 tax table or by using the tax rate schedule above.

**Line 9**—If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:

- 2014 (that is, you entered the amount from the 2014 Schedule J, line 22 on line 12 of your 2014 Form 740), enter on line 9 the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 15.
- 2013 but not 2014, enter on line 9 the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 3.

Otherwise, enter the taxable income from your **2013** Form 740, line 11 or Form 740-EZ, line 3. If the amount entered is zero or less, see federal instructions.

Line 12—Compute the tax on line 11 using the 2013 tax table or by using the tax rate schedule above.

Line 13—If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:

 2014 (that is, you entered the amount from the 2014 Schedule J, line 22 on line 12 of your 2014 Form 740), enter on line 13 the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 3.

Otherwise, enter the taxable income from your **2014** Form 740, line 11 or Form 740-EZ, line 3. If the amount entered is zero or less, see federal instructions.

Line 16—Compute the tax on line 11 using the 2014 tax table or by using the tax rate schedule above.

**Line 18**—If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:

- 2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 12.
- 2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 16.
- 2012 but not 2013 or 2014, enter the amount from your 2012 Schedule J, line 4.

Otherwise, enter the tax from your **2012** Form 740, line 12 or Form 740-EZ, line 4.

**Line 19**—If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:

- 2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 16.
- 2013 but not 2014, enter the amount from your 2013 Schedule J, line 4.

Otherwise, enter the tax from your **2013** Form 740, line 12 or Form 740-EZ, line 4.

Line 20—If you used Schedule J to figure your tax for:

• 2014, enter the amount from your 2014 Schedule J, line 4.

Otherwise, enter the tax from your **2014** Form 740, line 12 or Form 740-EZ, line 4.