

## Handy information for producers

### MAPAQ programs

- Organic agriculture
- Farm property tax credit (1-866-822-2140)
- Prime-Vert
- Advisory services
- Local food (marketing)
- Investment support plan

[www.mapaq.gouv.qc.ca](http://www.mapaq.gouv.qc.ca)

1-888-222-6272

### SAAQ

- Average 40 percent discount on farm vehicle registration (truck, van, or minivan)

1-800-361-7620

### Hydro-Québec

- Special rate for buildings and equipment for agricultural use only (farming operations, growing plants, or raising animals)

[www.hydroquebec.com](http://www.hydroquebec.com)

1 877 956-5696

### Au coeur des familles agricoles

- Mental health support for farmers and their families (respite home, “road worker” network, referrals)

[acfareseaux.qc.ca](http://acfareseaux.qc.ca)

450-768-6995

### La Financière agricole du Québec program

#### FINANCING

- Agriculture and forestry financing
- Quebec farm business development
- Diversification and regional development
- Support for young farmers

#### RISK MANAGEMENT AND INCOME PROTECTION

- Farm income stabilization insurance (ASRA)
- Crop insurance
- Agri-Québec
- Agri-Québec Plus
- AgriStability
- AgrilInvest

[www.fadq.qc.ca](http://www.fadq.qc.ca)

1-800-749-3646

### VIA farm advisory service centre of expertise

- Provincial group of organizations offering advisory services in agri-environment, management, farm transfer, and technical supervision

[vialepole.com](http://vialepole.com)

450-679-0540, ext. 8932



For further information or to make changes to your file, contact your regional UPA federation.

[abitibi-temiscamingue.upa.qc.ca](http://abitibi-temiscamingue.upa.qc.ca)

[bas-saint-laurent.upa.qc.ca](http://bas-saint-laurent.upa.qc.ca)

[capitale-nationale-cote-nord.upa.qc.ca](http://capitale-nationale-cote-nord.upa.qc.ca)

[centre-du-quebec.upa.qc.ca](http://centre-du-quebec.upa.qc.ca)

[chaudiere-appalaches.upa.qc.ca](http://chaudiere-appalaches.upa.qc.ca)

[estrie.upa.qc.ca](http://estrie.upa.qc.ca)

[gaspesielesiles.upa.qc.ca](http://gaspesielesiles.upa.qc.ca)

[lanaudiere.upa.qc.ca](http://lanaudiere.upa.qc.ca)

[mauricie.upa.qc.ca](http://mauricie.upa.qc.ca)

[upamonteregie.ca](http://upamonteregie.ca)

[outaouais-laurentides.upa.qc.ca](http://outaouais-laurentides.upa.qc.ca)

[upasaglac.ca](http://upasaglac.ca)



## BEING A FARMER AND A UNION MEMBER

Engaging to make our voices heard!

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## The role of the Union des producteurs agricoles (UPA)

### The UPA's mission is to:

- Represent producers and defend their interests to public authorities, agencies, commissions, and organizations— whenever their voices need to be heard
- Cooperate with other organizations with similar goals
- Conduct research and analysis on the production and marketing of agricultural products, and on any topic that may affect agricultural producers' social and economic conditions
- Promote and develop the farming profession
- Work to ensure the sustainability of Quebec agriculture

### The UPA is:

- A voice to represent producers on numerous bodies and committees
- A team of nearly 2,000 directors on the ground to hear your concerns
- A provider of information, numerous services for producers, and much more

## The UPA at your service

### The UPA develops services adapted to farmers' reality:

- **Accounting and taxes**  
[www.upa.qc.ca](http://www.upa.qc.ca)
- **Agricultural employment centres**  
[www.emploiagricole.com](http://www.emploiagricole.com)
- **U+**: the agricultural training portal  
[www.uplus.upa.qc.ca](http://www.uplus.upa.qc.ca)
- **AGRIcarrières** (agricultural labour, employment, training, and human resources management)  
[www.agricarrieres.qc.ca](http://www.agricarrieres.qc.ca)  
450-679-0540, ext. 8630
- Information and advice on **employing temporary foreign workers**  
[www.ptet.upa.qc.ca](http://www.ptet.upa.qc.ca)
- **Credit for UPA dues to assist** multiple-owner farms and undivided co-owners with low income  
[www.upa.qc.ca](http://www.upa.qc.ca)  
[cotisations@upa.qc.ca](mailto:cotisations@upa.qc.ca)  
450-679-0540, ext. 8213
- **Prevention mutual for workplace health and safety**  
[www.santeseurite.upa.qc.ca](http://www.santeseurite.upa.qc.ca)
- UPA benefits program: discounts, rebates, packages, etc., offered by various partners and merchants  
[www.programmeavantages.upa.qc.ca](http://www.programmeavantages.upa.qc.ca)  
1-844-521-6757
- **L'U**: union magazine sent to all producers via La Terre de chez nous or by mail  
[www.lu.upa.qc.ca](http://www.lu.upa.qc.ca)

## Why not become a member?

By becoming a UPA member, you become an active participant on behalf of your organization with full voting rights at AGMs and the ability to represent producers from your area or production sector.

**Your membership is voluntary and does not involve any extra cost.**

**We would be glad to welcome you as a UPA member. Province-wide, 91 percent of our 41,000 farmers have opted in!**

## How to become a member?

You can become a member of your syndicate by filling out the membership form:

- Take care to fill out all sections of the form.
- If applicable, indicate the name of the people authorized to represent your business at UPA AGMs.
- Don't forget to include your signature.

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**laterre.ca**  
Contact us 1 877 679-7809

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*New UPA members receive an additional three months free of charge.*

*Member exclusive  
in collaboration with Desjardins:*

- **SOLO Agriculture disability insurance**  
1-888-558-5525
- **Accidental death insurance**  
Free of charge (\$2,000)  
[cotisations@upa.qc.ca](mailto:cotisations@upa.qc.ca)  
450-679-0540,  
ext. 8212

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*The term "agricultural producer" is employed in the sense defined in the Farm Producers Act (CQLR c P-28).*