

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**CERTIFICATION OF DISABILITY OR HANDICAP**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

TO:

Special considerations are authorized for disabled or handicapped persons who obtain financial assistance from the Rural Housing Service, Rural Development. The person listed under this category must have a physical or mental impairment which (a) is expected to be of long-continued or indefinite duration (e.g., not less than 12 months from the date of the certification), (b) substantially impedes his/her ability to live independently, and (c) is of such a nature that such ability could be improved by more suitable housing conditions.

We would appreciate your completing the certification below for \_\_\_\_\_  
and returning this form in the enclosed envelope. *(Name of Person)*

The information will be used only for the purpose of classification and establishing eligibility for financial assistance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Applicant/Co-applicant - Borrower/Co-borrower)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Rural Development Representative)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Title)*

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In my opinion, the above mentioned person:

\_\_\_\_\_ is disabled or handicapped as defined above.

\_\_\_\_\_ is not disabled or handicapped as defined above.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Physician's Signature)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Address)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Phone)*

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