



**United States
Department of
Agriculture**

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Farm and Foreign
Agricultural
Services

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM: PM-17-028

Risk
Management
Agency

TO: All Approved Insurance Providers
All Risk Management Agency Field Offices
All Other Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: 2017 Price B for Cotton Quality Adjustment

BACKGROUND:

In accordance with the Special Provisions statement in lieu of section 10(d)(1) of the Upland and ELS Cotton Crop Provisions, Price B will be established by adding premiums or discounts associated with the predominant cotton quality characteristics, as determined by the Farm Service Agency, to the Upland and ELS Cotton National Average Loan Rate. The predominant quality characteristics of cotton in each state are determined from the most recent three years of Agricultural Marketing Service cotton classing data.

ACTION:

Approved Insurance Providers must use the applicable Price B for quality adjustment purposes from the attached Upland and ELS Cotton Quality tables for the 2017 crop year.

DISPOSAL DATE:

December 31, 2017

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2017 Upland Cotton Price B by State

State AL	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	36	29	82	4.8	None		
	0.0375			+ 0.0010	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State AZ	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	36	30	81	4.8	None		
	0.0375			+ 0.0030	+ 0	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State AR	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	4	37	32	82	4.6	None		
	0.0260			+ 0.0050	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State CA	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	11 & 21	1-2	37	34	82	4.4	None		
	0.0520			+ 0.0060	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State FL	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	36	29	82	4.8	None		
	0.0375			+ 0.0010	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State GA	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	36	29	82	4.8	None		
	0.0375			+ 0.0010	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State KS	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	11 & 21	3	35	29	80	3.9	None		
	0.0285			+ 0.0010	+ 0	+ 0.0010	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	

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2017 Upland Cotton Price B by State

State LA	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	36	30	82	5	None		
	0.0375			+ 0.0030	+ 0.0005	+ -0.0230	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State MS	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	4	37	32	82	4.9	None		
	0.0260			+ 0.0050	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State MO	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	37	31	82	4.6	None		
	0.0405			+ 0.0050	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State NM	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	11 & 21	1-2	37	30	81	4.3	None		
	0.0520			+ 0.0030	+ 0	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State NC	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	31	3	35	29	82	4.7	None		
	0.0255			+ 0.0010	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State OK	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	11 & 21	1-2	36	31	81	4.1	None		
	0.0470			+ 0.0050	+ 0	+ 0.0010	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	
State SC	Color	Leaf	Staple	Strength	Uniformity	Mike	Extraneous Matter	2017 Upland Cotton NALR	Price B
	41	4	36	29	82	4.7	None		
	0.0185			+ 0.0010	+ 0.0005	+ 0	+ 0	+ \$0.4949 =	

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State TN	Color	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Uniformity		Mike		Extraneous Matter		2017 Upland Cotton NALR		Price B
	31	3	36		31		82		4.7		None				
	0.0375			+	0.0050	+	0.0005	+	0	+	0	+	\$0.4949	=	\$0.5379
State TX	Color	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Uniformity		Mike		Extraneous Matter		2017 Upland Cotton NALR		Price B
	31	3	35		30		81		4.3		None				
	0.0255			+	0.0030	+	0	+	0	+	0	+	\$0.4949	=	\$0.5234
State VA	Color	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Uniformity		Mike		Extraneous Matter		2017 Upland Cotton NALR		Price B
	31	3	36		29		82		4.6		None				
	0.0375			+	0.0010	+	0.0005	+	0	+	0	+	\$0.4949	=	\$0.5339

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2017 ELS Cotton Price B by State

State AZ	Color Grade	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Mike		Extraneous Matter		Price B	2017 ELS Cotton NALR
	02	2	48 & Longer		42		3.8		None			
	0.8110			+	0	+	0	+	0	=	\$0.8110	
State CA	Color Grade	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Mike		Extraneous Matter		Price B	2017 ELS Cotton NALR
	01	2	48 & Longer		45 & Above		4.0		None			
	0.8135			+	0	+	0	+	0	=	\$0.8135	
State NM	Grade Color	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Mike		Extraneous Matter		Price B	2017 ELS Cotton NALR
	02	2	48 & Longer		40		4.3		None			
	0.8110			+	0	+	0	+	0	=	\$0.8110	
State TX	Color Grade	Leaf	Staple		Strength		Mike		Extraneous Matter		Price B	2017 ELS Cotton NALR
	02	2	48 & Longer		42		4.0		None			
	0.8110			+	0	+	0	+	0	=	\$0.8110	