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## 2009 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# Fresh Freestone Peaches

## **Crop Insured**

- All acreage of fresh freestone peaches
- Must produce at least 200 lugs per acre (22 pounds per lug) in at least one of the last three years; and
- Must have reached at least the fifth growing season after set out; or
- If the orchard doesn't meet these criteria then the company can inspect and agree in writing to insure.

## **Counties Available**

Utah county.

Fresh freestone peaches in other counties may be insurable by written agreement if specific criteria are met.

## **Causes of Loss**

Adverse weather conditions<sup>1</sup> Failure of irrigation water supply<sup>2</sup> Fire<sup>3</sup> Insects<sup>4</sup> Plant disease<sup>3</sup> Wildlife<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Natural perils such as hail, frost, freeze, wind, drought, and excess moisture.

<sup>2</sup>If caused by an insured peril during the insurance period.

<sup>3</sup>Unless weeds and undergrowth are not controlled or unmulched pruning debris is not removed.

<sup>4</sup>But not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures.

<sup>5</sup>Unless wildlife control measures have not been taken.

### **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins for each crop year on November 21. The calendar date for the end of the insurance period for each crop year is September 30.

## **Important Dates**

Sales Closing	November 20
Acreage Report Due	January 15

## Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Coverage is:

- Measured in lugs of fresh fruit.
- Based on a grower's production history.

Growers selects:

- a coverage level ranging from 50 to 75 percent of their approved average yields and
- 55 to 100 percent of a price announced by USDA, or
- catastrophic risk protection (CAT) based on 50 percent of their approved yield and 55 percent of the price.

**Price Election:** Price used to calculate your premium and indemnity: **\$5.35 per lug** 

### **Cost of Crop Insurance**

CAT coverage:

- Pay an application fee of \$300
- 100 percent of the premiums subsidized.

Higher coverage levels

- Pay an application fee of \$30 and
- Premiums are subsidized at lower rates

For more detailed information about the amounts of coverage and premiums, please contact a crop insurance agent.

## Loss Example

A claim can be filed whenever production falls short of the guarantee selected by the insured. The amount of a loss is determined by multiplying the production shortfall by the preselected price.

Based on average yield of 230 lugs per acre, 65percent coverage level and one basic unit, 100-percent share

- 230 Lugs per acre average yield (APH)
- <u>x .65</u> Coverage level percentage
- 150 Lugs per acre guarantee
- <u>- 100</u> Lugs per acre actually produced
  - 50 Lugs per acre loss
- <u>x \$5.35</u> Price election
- **\$268** Gross indemnity per acre

## Where to Purchase Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT coverage insurance policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available on the RMA Web site at: <u>http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/</u>

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