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## Crop Insured

Insured apples are any variety of apples adapted to the area and located on insurable acreage that has already produced at least 250 boxes (a box is equal to 35 pounds) or 10 bins per acre. An orchard inspection may be required before coverage begins.

Fresh apples or processing apple types are available in the county. For fresh production, at least 50 percent of the production is sold fresh in one or more of the four most recent crop years.

# **Counties Available**

Crop insurance is available for apples in Box Elder and Utah counties. Apples in other counties may be insurable by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact a crop insurance agent for more details.

# Causes of Loss

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather conditions; •
- Failure of irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance year;
- Fire; .
- Insects or plant disease, but not damage due to ٠ insufficient or improper application of control measures; or
- Wildlife.

## **Insurance Period**

Coverage normally begins on November 21 for the first year of insurance. After the first year, coverage begins on November 11 for Fuji and November 6 for all other apple varieties. Coverage ends at the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Total destruction of the crop;
- Harvest of the crop;

- Final adjustment of a claim;
- Abandonment of the crop;
- November 5 for all other apple varieties; or
- November 10 Fuji variety.

#### Important Dates

Sales Closing/Cancellation	November 20, 2013			
Acreage/Production ReportingJanuary 15, 2014				
Premium Billing	August 15, 2014			
Termination	November 20, 2014			

## Definitions

**Basic Unit** - A basic unit includes all your apple acreage in the county by share arrangement.

**Optional Units -** A basic unit may be divided into optional units if each optional unit is:

- Located on non-contiguous land; or •
- By varietal group. •

## Varietal Groups

Varietal Group A - Ambrosia, Braeburn, Cameo, Crispin, Fuji, Gala, Honeycrisp, Jonagold, Macoun, Cripps Pink (Pink Lady), and Sommerfeld.

Varietal Group B- All other apple varieties not specified in Group A.

## Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Individual insurance amounts are based on past production and the guarantee is measured in 35 pound boxes. Your insurance agent will ask you to provide up to 5 years of production history from which your average yield can be calculated. Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your approved yield. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. For example, if you choose the 65-percent coverage level, your premium share would be 41 percent of the base premium.

This fact sheet gives only a general overview of the crop insurance program and is not a complete policy. For further information and an evaluation of your risk management needs, contact a crop insurance agent.

Item			Per	cent		
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Premium Share	33	36	36	41	41	45

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of your approved yield and 55 percent of the price election. CAT is 100-percent subsidized with no premium cost to you. There is, however, an administrative fee of \$300 per crop per county, regardless of the acreage.

# **Options**

#### **Optional Coverage for Fresh Fruit Quality Adjustment**

Additional protection is available for loss of quality (as result of natural perils) to apples grown for fresh fruit that do not grade U.S. Fancy or better:

- This option may be applied only to apple acreage designated and certified for fresh fruit production on your acreage report;
- This option is not available for catastrophic insurance policies; and
- The price used to calculate your premium or indemnity is used to calculate quality loss.

# **Price Election**

The price used to calculate your premium and indemnity.

Fresh	\$13.30 per box
Processing	\$3.20 per box
Varietal Group A	\$16.00 per box
Varietal Group B	\$8.55 per box

## Loss Example

Assume a fresh type, 100-percent price election of \$13.30 per box, an average yield of 500 boxes per acre, 65 percent coverage, and 100-percent share.

- 500 Boxes per acre average yield (APH) <u>x 0.65</u> Coverage level percentage
  - 325 Boxes per acre guarantee
  - 200 Boxes per acre actually produced
    - 125 Boxes per acre loss
- <u>x \$13.30</u> Price election
  - \$1,663 Indemnity per acre

Price used above is for example only. Contact a crop insurance agent for current information.

# Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at: www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/agents/.

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