

# Springfield Regional Office — Springfield, IL

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# Processing Sweet Corn

# **Crop Insured**

You can insure processing sweet corn if:

- Premium rates are provided;
- You have a share;
- It is grown under, and in accordance with, a processor contract;
- It is not interplanted with another crop; and
- It is not planted into an established grass or legume.

# **Counties Available**

Processing sweet corn is insurable in Bureau, De Kalb, La Salle, Lee, Mason, McHenry, Ogle, Tazewell, and Whiteside counties.

# **Causes of Loss**

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather;
- Earthquake;
- Failure of irrigation water supply;
- Fire;
- Insect damage and/or plant disease, unless you have insufficiently or improperly applied pest or disease control measures;
- Volcanic eruption; or
- Wildlife.

#### **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins on the later of:

- The date we accept your application; or
- The date you plant the sweet corn.

Coverage ends with the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Total destruction of the crop;
- The date the crop should have been harvested;
- Abandonment of the crop;
- Final adjustment of a loss;
- Harvest of the crop;
- The date the processor contract is fulfilled; or
- September 20, 2017.

#### **Important Dates**

Sales Closing/Cancellation	March 15, 2017
Final Planting	June 30, 2017
Acreage Reporting	July 15, 2017

# **Reporting Requirements**

You must report all of your processing sweet corn acreage, production, and any losses, when evident, to your insurance agent. You must also provide a copy of all processor contracts.

# **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. Subsidy levels shown are the lowest available. Levels will vary based on individual policy selections. For example, if you select the 75-percent coverage level, the premium subsidy is 55 percent and your premium share is 45 percent of the base premium.

Item	Percent							
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55	48	38
Your Share	33	36	36	41	41	45	52	62

# **Price Elections**

A price election is the price you are paid per ton if you have a loss. This is based on the percentage of the established price you chose. For the 2017 crop year, you may choose 55 to 100 percent of the established price.

#### **Coverage Options**

Actual Production History (APH) - The only plan of insurance available for processing sweet corn. You choose the amount of your average yield to insure (50-85 percent) and the percent of the RMA established price (55-100 percent). If your production falls below the yield insured, a loss is paid.

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.

# **Replanting and Prevented Planting**

**Replanting -** Replant payments are not available for processing sweet corn.

**Prevented Planting -** You may receive a prevented planting payment if you are unable to plant on or before the final planting date because of an insurable cause.

#### Loss Example

A loss occurs when crop production falls below your guaranteed tonnage. This example assumes 65-percent coverage level, a price election of \$149.00, an average yield of 10 tons per acre with .667 share, and production of 40 tons.

	10	Ton APH yield
X	0.65	Coverage level
	6.5	Ton per acre guarantee
X	10	Acres
	65	Ton unit guarantee
-	40	Ton production
	25	Ton loss
х	\$149	Price election
	\$3,725	Unit payment
х	0.667	Share
	\$2,485	Final payment

# Where to Buy Crop Insurance

You can buy a crop insurance policy from approved participating insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA web site at www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html.

#### **Contact Us**

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