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# **Aflatoxin Testing Facilities**

Kansas and Missouri

# If You Suspect Your Crop Has Aflatoxin

Contact your crop insurance provider **before** you put the grain in storage or deliver it for sale. Crop insurance adjusters will take samples for mycotoxin testing from selected representative sample areas of the fields. The adjuster will submit the samples to an approved testing facility for aflatoxin verification. High levels of aflatoxin can vary from a discount in the crop's price to the requirement to destroy the entire crop.

Because aflatoxin can worsen in storage, aflatoxin losses are only insurable if the grain is tested at an approved testing facility before being moved into commercial or on-farm storage, or if you have arranged with your insurance provider to leave representative sample areas of the unharvested crop so the adjuster can take samples for aflatoxin testing.

You must notify your insurance provider before harvesting and/or placing harvested grain in storage if you suspect your grain contains aflatoxin. Losses attributed to increases in the aflatoxin level while in farm storage, or that cannot be determined because proper testing was not completed, are not covered under the crop insurance policy.

Approved Insurance Providers have requested a list of certified testing facilities for aflatoxin in the Kansas and Missouri areas. This list is not complete and is provided as a guide to assist approved insurance providers in locating an approved testing facility. Testing facilities not listed that meet all the criteria below can be considered "approved testing facilities" for crop insurance.

# **Testing Facility Criteria**

1. The facility must be able to perform quantitative tests on grain, itemizing results in parts per

million (ppm) and parts per billion (ppb). Test kits used must be certified by the Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration. (<u>http://</u> <u>www.gipsa.usda.gov/fgis/svcpro.html</u>)

- 2. The facility must be a recognized commercial, government, or university testing lab that uses industry-recognized sample sizes, equipment, and procedures for testing aflatoxin.
- 3. The facility must be a disinterested testing facility.
- \*Talk to your crop insurance provider for more information.

# **Certified Testing Facilities**

Certified testing facilities for aflatoxin in the Kansas, and Missouri area.

#### **Kansas Grain Inspection Service**

110 NE Lyman Rd. Topeka, KS 66608 (785) 233-7063

#### **Kansas Grain Inspection Service**

1111 W 4th, Unit A Concordia, KS 66901 (785) 243-6171

# Kansas Grain Inspection Service

1407 E Trail Dodge City, KS 67801 (620) 225-4931

#### **Kansas Grain Inspection Service**

1401 Fairfax Traffic Way Bldg. E400 Kansas City, KS 66115 (913) 371-4420

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.

#### Kansas Grain Inspection Service 863 W 29th St North Wichita, KS 67204 (316) 832-1272

#### **Kansas Grain Inspection Service**

4600 E 64th Ave PO Box 1234 Commerce City, CO 80022 (303) 853-9646

#### **Kansas Grain Inspection Service**

P.O. Box 721 517 13th Ave Sidney, NE 69162 (308) 254-3975

#### **MO Department of Agriculture**

632 N. Park Avenue Kansas City, MO 64120 (816) 241-0260 or 0265

#### **MO Department of Agriculture**

718 US Hwy 61 New Madrid, MO 63869 (573) 748-5526 or 5890

#### **MO Department of Agriculture**

521 E. Florence Rd. St. Joseph, MO 64504 (816) 238-5658

# **MO Department of Agriculture**

615 Cherokee, Suite 4B P.O. Box 596 Marshall, MO 65340 (660) 886-5549

#### **MO Department of Agriculture**

104 S. Pine Laddonia, MO 63352-0008 (573) 373-2305

#### Vet Med Diagnostic Lab

University of MO-College of Vet Science 1600 E Rollins Columbia, MO 65205 (800) 862-8635

#### Cahokia, IL-OIGI

707 Range Ln. Cahokia, IL 62206 (800) 548-5575

#### **Cairo Grain Inspection**

34007 Sycamore St. Cairo, IL 62914 (618) 734-0689

Additional aflatoxin testing service providers can be found at: <u>http://www.gipsa.usda.gov/fgis/svc\_provid/</u> <u>providers.html</u>

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