

# Topeka Regional Office — Topeka, KS

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# Wheat Kansas

# **Crop Insured**

Wheat is insurable if:

- It is all the wheat grown in the county on insurable acreage;
- Premium rates are provided;
- You have a share; and
- It is planted for harvest as grain under the Common Crop Insurance Policy.

Wheat may not be insured if:

- It is interplanted with another crop;
- It is planted into a grass or legume, unless excepted;
- It is planted as a nurse crop; or
- It follows a cover crop that does not meet the criteria outlined in the insurance availability section of the special provisions.

# **Counties Available**

Winter wheat is insurable in all Kansas counties.

## **Causes of Loss**

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather conditions;
- A change in the harvest price from the projected price, due to an insured cause of loss (revenue protection plans only);
- Earthquake;
- Failure of the irrigation water supply due to a covered cause of loss that occurs during the insurance period;
- Fire;
- Insects, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of pest control measures;
- Plant disease, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of disease control measures;
- Volcanic eruption; or
- Wildlife.

## **Insurance Period**

Insurance coverage begins on the later of:

Date your application is accepted; or

• Date when the wheat is planted by the final planting date.

Insurance coverage ends with the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Total destruction of the crop;
- Harvest of the unit;
- Final adjustment of a loss on the unit;
- Abandonment of the crop; or
- October 31.

#### **Important Dates**

Sales Closing/Cancellation Da	ate September 30, 2016	
Final Planting Date	Varies by County	
Acreage Report Date	December 15, 2016	
Premium Billing Date	July 1, 2017	
End of Insurance	October 31, 2017	
Contact your crop insurance agent or for more information		
go to www.rma.usda.gov/aboutrma	a/fields/ks_rso/	

## **Reporting Requirements**

Acreage Report - You must give a report to your crop insurance agent of all of your wheat acreage in the county by the acreage reporting date.

## **Definitions**

Actual Production History (APH) Yield - APH yield is used to determine the production guarantee. APH yield is based on up to 10 years of actual assigned yields and adjusted and/or unadjusted transitional yields.

## **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Wheat may be insured at the coverage levels shown in the table on page 2. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the table on page 2. The Whole-Farm Unit is not available for the Yield Protection Plan. If you choose the 75-percent coverage level and Enterprise Units, your coverage is 75 percent of your approved actual production history yield, the premium subsidy is 77 percent, and your premium share is 23 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.

Coverage	Level	0.50	0.55	0.60	0.65	0.70	0.75	0.80	0.85
Subsidy Factors	Enterprise Unit	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.770	0.680	0.530
	Enterprise Unit By practice	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.770	0.680	0.530
	Basic Unit	0.670	0.640	0.640	0.590	0.590	0.550	0.480	0.380
	Optional unit	0.670	0.640	0.640	0.590	0.590	0.550	0.480	0.380
	Whole-Farm Unit	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.800	0.710	0.560

For coverage levels above the Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) level, in addition to premium costs, administrative fees are \$30 per crop per county.

#### **Catastrophic Coverage**

CAT coverage is available at 50 percent of your APH yield and 55 percent of the projected price. The total cost for CAT coverage is an administrative fee of \$300 per crop per county, regardless of the acreage. CAT is available for the Yield Protection Plan only.

#### **Price Elections**

Prices are calculated according to the Commodity Exchange Price Provisions. Kansas winter wheat prices are based on the July futures market price for wheat. The projected price discovery period is August 15 through September 14. The harvest price discovery period is June 1 through June 30. These prices are released no later than 3 business days following the end of the price discovery period. Depending on the insurance plan, these prices are used for compensation per bushel in case of loss. Contact your crop insurance agent, or for more information go to http://prodwebnlb.rma.usda.gov/apps/PriceDiscovery.

The contract price is only available for certified organic wheat. See the Contract Price Addendum for details.

#### **Insurance Units**

**Basic Unit** - A basic unit includes all of your insurable wheat acreage in the county by share arrangement. Premiums are reduced 10 percent for a basic unit. **Optional Unit** - If a basic unit consists of two or more sections of land, and certain recordkeeping requirements are met, you may apply for optional units by section. The 10-percent premium discount does not apply.

**Enterprise Unit** - Generally, all the insured crop acreage in a county. Premium discounts apply.

**Whole-Farm Unit** - Generally, all the insured crops in the county that are covered by the insurance plan. Premium discounts apply.

#### **Insurance Plans**

**Common Crop Insurance Policy Basic Provisions Yield Protection Plan** - An insurance plan that only provides protection against a production loss and is available only for crops for which revenue protection is available.

Revenue Protection Plan - An insurance plan that

provides protection against revenue loss due to a production loss, price decline or increase, or a combination of both.

**Harvest Price Exclusion** - An insurance plan that provides revenue protection though the use of the harvest price is excluded when determining your revenue protection guarantee. This election is continuous unless canceled by the cancellation date.

# **Coverage Level by Practice**

If you produce a crop on both irrigated and non-irrigated land, you can elect a different coverage level for each production practice. The election will be available for additional coverage policies only when the actuarial documents provide separate coverage by irrigated and nonirrigated practices. Even if you have an additional coverage level policy, purchasing the CAT Endorsement is not allowed as one of the separate coverage levels.

## **Special Provisions of Insurance**

Insurance restrictions apply to acreage that has been planted using broadcast seeding methods. Insurance is available for wheat produced using organic farming practices.

## Area Risk Protection Insurance (ARPI)

ARPI may not be available in every county. Some of the information on this fact sheet does not apply. For more information see the ARPI fact sheet at <u>www.rma.usda.gov/</u><u>pubs/rme/fctsht.html</u>.

## **Trend-Adjusted APH Yield Option**

The Trend-Adjusted APH Yield Option adjusts yields in APH databases to reflect increases in yields through time in the county. Trend adjustments are made on each eligible yield within a qualifying APH database based on the county's historical yield trend, which is provided in the county actuarial documents. The approved APH yield is calculated using trend-adjusted yields and any other applicable yields within the APH database. It may not be available for all practices and the factor may vary by practice. This option is not available under CAT or with ARPI insurance plans.

# Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO)

SCO is a crop insurance option that provides additional coverage for a portion of your underlying crop insurance policy deductible. The amount of SCO coverage depends on the liability, coverage level, and approved yield of your underlying policy. For more information go to the SCO fact sheet at <u>www.rma.usda.gov/pubs/rme/fctsht.html</u>.

## **APH Yield Exclusion**

The Yield Exclusion option, when elected, allows you to exclude yields from your actual production history when the actuarial documents provide that the county average yield for that crop year is at least 50 percent below the 10 previous consecutive crop years' average yield. A crop year that has been determined eligible for exclusion in a county will also be eligible for exclusion in contiguous counties. Producers who have either CAT or buy-up insurance policies can use this program. For more information go to the APH Yield Exclusion fact sheet at www.rma.usda.gov/pubs/rme/fctsht.html.

# Late and Prevented Planting

These provisions provide protection on acreage that is planted after the final planting date or that cannot be planted. Please contact a crop insurance agent for details.

#### Loss Example

Under yield protection a loss occurs when the bushels of wheat produced for the unit fall below the production guarantee due to damage from a covered cause of loss. Under revenue protection a loss occurs when the value of production-to-count is less than the revenue protection guarantee due to a production loss and/or a revenue loss.

Assume a 40 bushels per acre APH yield, 75-percent coverage level, \$5.20 winter projected price, \$4.50 harvest price, and basic unit coverage.

#### **Yield Protection Example**

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#### \$111.00 Gross indemnity (per acre)

The price used to determine value in the revenue protection example above is the higher of the projected price or the harvest price. Figures are shown per acre. Guarantees and losses are paid by unit. See the policy provisions or ask your crop insurance agent for more information.

## Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at <u>www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html</u>.

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