

# St. Paul Regional Office — St. Paul, MN

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# Processing Sweet Corn Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin

# **Crop Insured**

You can insure processing sweet corn if:

- It is grown on insurable acreage;
- Premium rates are provided;
- You have a share; and
- It is grown under, and in accordance with, a processor contract.

# **Counties Available**

See counties available in the actuarial documents at <u>webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/</u> actuarialinformationbrowser2017/CropCriteria.aspx.

The crop may be insurable in other counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact an insurance agent for more details.

# **Causes of Loss**

You are protected against the following:

- Adverse weather conditions such as hail, frost, freeze, wind, drought, and excess moisture, including:
  - excess moisture that prevents harvesting equipment from entering the field or prevents the timely operation of harvesting equipment; or
  - abnormally hot or cold temperatures that cause an unexpected number of acres over a large producing area to be ready for harvest at the same time, affecting the timely harvest of a large number of acres or the processing of such production is beyond the capacity of the processor, either of which causes the acreage to be bypassed;
- Failure of irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured cause of loss during the insurance period;
- Fire, if due to natural causes;
- Insects and Plant Disease, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of pest or disease control measures; or
- Wildlife.

# **Insurance Period**

Insurance coverage begins on the later of:

- Date we accept your application; or
- Date when the processing sweet corn is planted. Insurance coverage ends at the earliest of:
- Total destruction of the crop;
- Date the crop should have been harvested, but was not;
- Abandonment of the crop;
- Harvest of the crop;
- The date you fulfill your processor contract if the contract stipulates a specific amount of production to be delivered;
- Final adjustment of a loss;
- September 20, 2017 in Minnesota and Wisconsin; or
- September 30, 2017 in Iowa.

# **Important Dates**

Sales Closing/Cancellation	March 15, 2017
Final Planting	June 20, 2017
Acreage Reporting	July 15, 2017
Premium Billing	August 15, 2017
Production Reporting	April 29, 2018

#### **Reporting Requirements**

Acreage Report - You must report all of your processing sweet corn acreage in the county and provide a copy of all processor contracts by the acreage reporting date.

#### **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown in the following table. 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.

Coverage Level (percent)		50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
Subsidy	Basic Unit	67	64	64	59	59	55	48	38
Factor	Optional Unit	67	64	64	59	59	55	48	38

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.

#### **Price Election**

A price election is the price you are paid per ton if you have a loss. This is the base contract price stated in your processor contract.

#### **Unit Division**

**Basic Unit (BU)** - If the processor contract specifies the number of acres to be planted, a basic unit consists of all your insurable processing sweet corn acreage in the county by share arrangement. If the processor contract specifies the amount of production to be delivered, a basic unit consists of all acreage planted to the insured crop in the county that will be used to fulfill contracts with each processor. Premiums discounts apply.

**Optional Unit (OU) -** If the processor contract specifies the number of acres to be planted, and if a basic unit consists of land in two or more sections and certain record keeping requirements are met, you may apply for optional units by section.

#### **Plans of Insurance**

Actual Production History (APH) - Your production guarantee is based on your yield history. You have a loss when your production falls below your production guarantee.

**Catastrophic Coverage (CAT)** - Covers 50 percent of your APH yield and 55 percent of the projected price.

#### **Endorsements and Options**

**Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO) -** provides additional coverage for a portion of your underlying crop insurance policy deductible.

**APH Yield Exclusion Option** - allows you to exclude actual yields from your APH for select counties, and contiguous counties, in years that had an average county yield of at least 50 percent below the average county yield of the ten previous crop years. Available with CAT or buy-up policies.

#### Late and Prevented Planting

Late Planting Period - If you plant after the final planting date, the insurance guarantee is reduced by one percent for each day after the final planting date, provided the processor will accept late-planted production. After 25 days, your prevented planting coverage will be 40 percent of your production guarantee for timely planted acreage. You may increase your prevented planting coverage for an additional premium to a level specified in the actuarial documents.

**Prevented Planting -** You may receive a prevented planting payment if you are unable to plant

on or before the final planting date or within any applicable late planting period because of an insurable cause. Additional levels of prevented planting coverage are not available on CAT policies.

#### Loss Example

This example assumes a 7.0 tons per acre APH yield, 75-percent coverage level, and basic unit coverage.

	7.0	Tons per acre APH yield
X	0.75	Coverage level
	5.25	Tons guarantee
_	3.0	Actual tons per acre produced
	2.25	Tons per acre loss
x	\$145.00	Price election (assumed contract price)
	\$326.25	Indemnity

Figures shown on a per acre basis. Guarantees and losses paid are on a unit basis. Your premium will be deducted from any indemnity payment. See policy provisions.

#### 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 www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html.

#### **Contact Us**

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