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# Wheat

Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming

### Crop Insured

The crop insured will be wheat planted for harvest as **grain**.

### Counties Available

**Montana**—All but Lincoln and Silver Bow

**North Dakota**—All counties

**South Dakota**—All counties

**Wyoming**—All but Albany, Hot Springs, Sublette, Sweetwater, Teton, Uinta, and Washakie

### Wheat Types Available

#### Montana

Winter (All but Daniels & Sheridan)

Spring (All)

Durum (Insured as separate type in 18 northern & eastern counties. Insured as spring wheat in all other counties)

Khorasan (Glacier, Pondera, Teton, Cascade, Meagher, Park, and all counties east thereof)

#### North Dakota

Spring (All)

Durum (Insured as a separate type in all counties)

Khorasan (Renville, Ward, McLean, Oliver, Morton, Sioux and all counties west thereof)

#### South Dakota

Winter (Perkins, Ziebach, Dewey, Potter, Hyde, Hand, Jerauld, Sanborn, Hanson, Hutchinson, Turner, Lincoln, and all counties west thereof)

Spring (All)

Durum (Insured as separate type in 18 northern counties. Insured as spring wheat in all other counties)

#### Wyoming

Winter (All but Big Horn, Fremont, Park)

Spring (All, but only irrigated in 9 counties)

Note: Any acreage of fall planted wheat in a county without a winter type on the actuarial documents is insurable only if you request such coverage by March 15th, and the insurance provider accepts the acreage based on an adequate stand. It will then be insured as the spring type.

### Reporting Requirements

**Acreage Report**—You must report all acreage of your wheat, both insured and uninsured, to your agent by the acreage reporting date.

### Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss

(1) Protect the crop from further damage by providing sufficient care; (2) Notify your agent within 72 hours of your initial discovery of damage (but not later than 15 days after the end of the insurance period); and (3) Leave representative samples intact for each field of the damaged unit.

### Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions

Failure of irrigation water supply<sup>1</sup>

Fire

Insects<sup>2</sup>

Plant disease<sup>2</sup>

Wildlife

<sup>1</sup>If caused by an insured cause of loss occurring during insurance period.

<sup>2</sup>But not due to insufficient or improper application of control measures.

### Insurance Period

Coverage usually begins when the wheat is planted and ends at the earlier of the following: 1) total destruction of the wheat on the unit, 2) harvest of the unit, 3) final adjustment of a loss on the unit, or 4) October 31st.

Note: Any acreage of wheat damaged before the final planting date, to the extent that producers in the area would not normally further care for the crop, must be replanted to an appropriate type of wheat unless the insurance provider agrees that replanting is not practical. A replant payment may be available with the exception of CAT coverage.

### Important Dates

Sales Closing (Winter) .....	September 30
Sales Closing (Spring) .....	March 15
Acreage Report Date (Winter) .....	November 15
Acreage Report Date (Spring) .....	June 30

### Definitions

**Production Guarantee** — Number of **bushels** guaranteed per acre determined by multiplying your average yield per acre (based on your records) times the coverage level you elect.

## Trend Adjusted Yield

This option allows producers to increase their yield guarantee for an additional premium, and is based on the fact that yields have increased as technology and farm practices have improved. The option is only available in select counties. Contact your agent for more information.

## Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the price election. The cost for CAT coverage is an administrative fee of \$300, regardless of the acreage. There are no additional premium fees for CAT. For insurance coverage above 50 percent (buy up), a \$30 fee is charged per crop per county in addition to the regular premium. Premiums are subsidized based on the coverage level chosen as shown below.

Item	Percent							
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
Premium Subsidy by Unit								
Basic/Optional Unit	67	64	64	59	59	55	48	38
Enterprise Unit	80	80	80	80	80	77	68	53
Whole Farm Unit*	80	80	80	80	80	80	71	56
* Whole Farm Units are only available with revenue protection								

## Insurance Units

**Basic Unit (BU):** A basic unit includes all of your wheat acreage in the county by share arrangement. A 10 percent premium discount applies when basic units are elected.

**Optional Units (OU):** If a basic unit consists of two or more sections, irrigated/non-irrigated acreage, or two or more crop types (winter/spring/durum) and certain record-keeping criteria are met, you may apply for optional units. The 10-percent discount will not apply.

## Available Options

**Winter Coverage Endorsement** - For additional premium, provides additional coverage for winter wheat in MT, SD, and WY counties that have both fall and spring final planting dates. Must be requested by September 30th.

## Insurance Plans Available

**YP** — Yield Protection

**RP** — Revenue Protection (MT, ND, SD)

**RP/HPE** — Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion

**GRP & GRIP** — Group Risk Plans (in select counties in MT, ND, and SD)

A request to change insurance plans must be made to your agent no later than September 30th in counties showing the winter type on the actuarial documents; no later than March 15th for all other counties.

## Prices

- Commodity Exchange Price Provisions (CEPP) apply
- Projected prices will apply to both revenue protection and yield protection.
- Harvest prices will apply to revenue protection only.
- Released the first business day following the one month price discovery period.

## Where to Purchase

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT coverage insurance policies, are available from private insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available on the RMA Web site at: <http://www3.rma.usda.gov/tools/agents/>

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