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## 2006 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# Cabbage New York

#### **Crop Insured**

Those cabbage types and practices as specified in the special provisions of insurance (green or red, spring or summer-planted) may be insurable. The policy does not cover Savoy cabbage or Chinese cabbage, nor does it cover cabbage interplanted with another crop. To be covered, cabbage must be planted:

- With inspected transplants or hybrid seed
- Within the planting periods as designated in the Important Dates table below
- For harvest as marketable cabbage for fresh market or processing (if grown under contract)
- On acreage that has not been planted to cabbage or any other crop of the Brassicaceae (or Cruciferae) family (for example, cauliflower o broccoli) in either of the two previous crop years.

## **Counties Available**

Cabbage insurance is currently available only in Monroe, Ontario, and Orleans counties.

## **Causes of Loss**

Adverse weather conditions<sup>1</sup> Disease<sup>2</sup> Insects<sup>2</sup> Earthquake Fire Wildlife Failure of irrigation water supply<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Including hail, drought, wind, freeze. <sup>2</sup>Unless due to insufficient or improperly applied control measures. <sup>3</sup>If caused by an insured peril during the insurance period.

Exclusions:

- Land on which **Clubroot** has been detected within the past 10 years will **not** be insurable.
- Land on which **Blackleg or Black Rot** was present in any of the previous 4 years is **not** insurable.
- Quarantine, boycott, refusal of buyer to accept production, or any other failure to market the cabbage for any reason, other than actual physical damage from an insured cause of loss, is not covered.
- Damage that occurs or becomes evident after the end of the insurance period, including damage that occurs or becomes evident after the cabbage has been placed in storage, is not covered.

#### **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins the date the cabbage is planted within the planting period and ends at the earlier of: (1) total destruction of the crop, (2) harvest of the crop, (3) final adjustment of a claim, (4) abandonment of the crop, (5) November 25, 2006.

#### **Important Dates**

Sales Closing Date	/larch 15, 2006
Spring Earliest Planting Date	April 1, 2006
Spring Final Planting Date	. May 31, 2006
Spring Acreage Report Due	June 5, 2006
Summer Earliest Planting Date	June 1, 2006
Summer Final Planting Date	
Summer Acreage Report Due	July 25, 2006

## **Price Elections**

Fresh: **\$9.35** per hundredweight (cwt.) Process: **\$2.20** per hundredweight (cwt.)

Price elections are posted on the RMA website at: http://www3.rma.usda.gov/apps/pricesinquiry/

## **Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss**

(1) If crop damage occurs 15 days or more prior to beginning of harvest, give notice within 72 hours of discovery. (2) If damage is discovered during harvest, or within 15 days of beginning harvest, give notice immediately and leave representative samples of unharvested crop (at least 3 rows wide, extending length of field). (3) Do not dispose of or sell the damage crop until it has been appraised. (4) If the crop is to be direct-marketed, you must give notice at least 15 days prior to harvest so that an appraisal can be made.

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 Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your average yield and are subsidized as shown in the table below. For example, an average yield of 400 cwt. per acre results in a guarantee of 300 cwt. per acre at the 75-percent coverage level.

Coverage Level % →	50	55	60	65	70	75
Premium Subsidy %	67	64	64	59	59	55
Your Premium Share %	33	36	36	41	41	45

Catastrophic (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of your average yield and 55 percent of the price election. The cost for CAT coverage is an administrative fee of \$100, regardless of the acreage.

#### **Loss Example**

This example is based on 65-percent coverage level, summer-planted for fresh market, and average yield of 400 cwt. per acre.

400	Cwt. per acre average yield
<u>x .65</u>	Coverage level percentage
260	Cwt. per acre guarantee
- 160	Cwt. produced per acre
100	Cwt. loss per acre
<u>x \$8.70</u>	Price election
\$870	Indemnity per acre
<u> </u>	Estimated producer premium
\$825	Net indemnity per acre

**Note:** For the 2006 crop year, premium rates for New York cabbage have been reduced by approximately 15 percent due to excellent insurance experience in the three pilot counties over the past 6 years. Be advised that rates are subject to change each year based on loss experience or other rating factors.

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