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2013 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

Peanuts

Crop Insured

Peanuts planted for marketing as farmers' stock peanuts and of a type designated as insurable on the actuarial documents may be insurable, whether or not they are grown under a sheller contract.

Unless allowed by the special provisions, the policy does not cover peanuts that are planted for harvest as green peanuts or inter-planted with another crop or into an established grass or legume.

Counties Available

Peanuts are insurable in Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Chowan, Columbus, Cumberland, Duplin, Edgecombe, Gates, Greene, Halifax, Harnett, Hertford, Johnston, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Tyrrell, Washington, Wayne, and Wilson Counties. Peanuts may be insurable in other counties if specific criteria are met. Contact an agent for more details.

Causes of Loss

Adverse weather conditions¹ Failure of irrigation water supply² Fire Insects³ Plant disease³ Wildlife

¹Natural perils such as hail, freeze, frost, drought, wind, and excess precipitation.

²If caused by an insured peril during the insurance period. ³Except for insufficient or improper application of control measures.

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Insurance Period

Coverage begins when the crop is planted and ends at the earliest of:

- 1) Total destruction of the crop;
- 2) Removal of peanuts from the field;
- 3) Final adjustment of a claim;
- 4) Abandonment of the crop; or
- 5) November 30.

Reporting Requirements

You must file a report of planted acreage to your crop insurance agent by the acreage reporting date established for your county. Since acreage reporting dates vary by crop and county, consult your agent or for more information see: <u>http://www.rma.usda.gov/tools/</u>

Important Dates

Sales Closing	February 28
Initial Planting ¹	April 16
Final Planting ²	May 31
Acreage Report Due	

In Bladen, Columbus, Pender, Cumberland, Duplin, Harnett, Robeson, Scotland, and Sampson counties:

¹ Initial planting date is April 10.

² Final planting date is May 25.

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.

Definitions

Base Contract Price: The price that is stipulated in the sheller contract, not to exceed the price election times the price factor of 1.20.

Production Guarantee: Number of pounds guaranteed determined by multiplying your average yield (based on your records) times the coverage level you elect times your planted acres.

Price Election: The price used to calculate your premium or indemnity. Price elections are posted on the RMA Web site at: <u>http://webapp.rma.usda.gov/</u>apps/ActuarialInformationBrowser/Default.aspx

Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies

Coverage level options range from 50 to 85 percent of your average APH yield and are subsidized as shown in the table below. As an example, an average peanut yield of 3,000 pounds per acre would result in a guarantee of 2,250 pounds per acre at the 75 percent coverage level. From the table, if you selected the 75 percent coverage level, your premium share would be 45 percent of the base premium:

Item	Percent							
Coverage Level	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
Premium Subsidy	67	64	64	59	59	55	48	38
Your Premium Share	33	36	36	41	41	45	52	62

Catastrophic Risk Protection (CAT) coverage is fixed at 50 percent of average yield and 55 percent of the price election. The cost for CAT is an administrative fee of \$300.

Insurance Units

If all of your insurable peanut acreage in the county (for example, one or more farm numbers) is insured as one basic unit, you will be eligible for a 10 percent premium discount. Optional units by farm numbers are available (for both contracted and noncontracted peanuts) if you maintain separate records by unit and meet all the guidelines as specified in the basic provisions.

Replant Provisions

A replanting payment is allowed if your peanut crop is damaged by a covered cause of loss to the extent that the remaining stand will not produce at least 90 percent of your guarantee and it is practical to replant. The maximum replanting payment per acre will be the lesser of:

- 1) Your price election multiplied by 20 percent of your per acre production guarantee; or
- 2) \$80 per acre.

Note: Replanting payments are not available with CAT coverage.

Prevented Planting

These provisions provide a reduced amount of protection on acreage that is planted late or that cannot be planted at all due to insurable causes. Consult a crop insurance agent for more details.

Loss Example

This example is based on peanuts on a non-irrigated average yield of 3,000 pounds per acre, 75 percent coverage level, and one basic unit.

3,000	Approved Yield per acre
<u>x .75</u>	Coverage level
2,250	Acre guarantee
<u> </u>	Production-to-Count
1,300	Loss per acre
<u>x .250</u>	Price election
\$325	Indemnity per acre
_ \$20	Estimated Premium
\$305	Indemnity/Acre

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