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2013 COMMODITY INSURANCE FACT SHEET

# **Grapes** Pennsylvania

# **Crop Insured**

Grape varieties grown for wine or juice are insurable if the vines have:

- 1) Reached the fourth growing season after being set out for all native and hybrid varieties; and
- 2) Produced an average of 2 tons per acre in at least 1 of the 3 most recent crop years. Varieties and price elections are listed on the back of this sheet.

# **Counties Available**

Grapes are insurable in Erie County but may be insurable in another counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact an insurance agent for more details.

Note: *Vinifera* grapes are only insurable by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact an agent for more details.

## **Causes of Loss**

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

<sup>1</sup>Natural perils such as hail, freeze, frost, drought, wind, and excess precipitation.

<sup>2</sup>If caused by an insured peril during the insurance period.

<sup>3</sup>Except for insufficient or improper application of control measures.

Note: The policy does **not** cover the inability to market the grapes for any reason other than actual physical damage from an insurable cause of loss.

## **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins on November 21 and ends the earliest of:

1) Total destruction of the crop;

- 2) Harvest of the crop;
- 3) Final adjustment of a claim;
- 4) Abandonment of the vineyard; or
- 5) November 20.

# **Reporting Requirements**

Acreage Report: An acreage report is due to your agent by the date shown below under Important Dates to include all acreage (insurable and uninsurable) by type in which you have a share.

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

- 1) If crop damage occurs, you must give notice within 72 hours of initial discovery of damage;
- 2) If you previously gave notice of crop damage, you must also provide notice at least 15 days before the beginning of harvest if you intend to claim an indemnity; or
- 3) If crop will not be harvested, you must give notice at least 3 days before the date harvest should have started.

## **Important Dates**

| Sales Closing         | November 20, 2012 |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Production Report Due |                   |
| Acreage Report Due    |                   |
| Premium Billing       | August 15, 2013   |

## **Price Elections**

Coverage levels and price election percentages may vary by grape type. The prices shown on the back of this sheet will be used to calculate premium and indemnity.

Note: The price used to determine your indemnity on unharvested acreage will be the price election minus the harvest cost (\$35/ton).

## **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Coverage level options range from 50 to 85 percent of your average yield and are subsidized as shown in the table on the back of this sheet For example, an average actual production history (APH) yield of 4 tons per acre results in a guarantee of 2 tons per acre at the 50-percent coverage level.

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.

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

Catastrophic risk protection (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 \$300, regardless of the acreage.

| Insurable Native Varieties  | Price/Ton |  |
|---|-----------|--|
| Niagara<br>Concord<br>Catawba<br>Elvira<br>Dutchess<br>Isabella<br>Diamond<br>Delaware<br>Ives<br>Golden Muscat<br>Labrusca<br>All Other Natives  |           | \$260<br>\$260<br>\$320<br>\$275<br>\$410<br>\$480<br>\$445<br>\$355<br>\$410<br>\$375<br>\$255<br>\$255   |
| Insurable Hybrid Varieties  | Price/Ton | φ200   |
| Chambourcin<br>Traminette<br>Baco Noir<br>Geneva Red 7<br>Dechaunac<br>Rosette<br>Seyval Blanc<br>Vignoles<br>Aurore<br>Cayuga White<br>Vidal Blanc<br>Vincent<br>Chardonel<br>Cascade<br>Leon Millot<br>Chancellor<br>Valvin Muscat<br>Castel<br>Colobel<br>Rougeon<br>Villard Blanc<br>Melody<br>Noiret<br>Chelois<br>St Vincent<br>Marechal Foch<br>Corot Noir |           | \$820<br>\$940<br>\$605<br>\$565<br>\$500<br>\$395<br>\$615<br>\$735<br>\$380<br>\$640<br>\$640<br>\$640<br>\$750<br>\$640<br>\$640<br>\$565<br>\$565<br>\$565<br>\$565<br>\$565<br>\$545<br>\$565<br>\$545<br>\$565<br>\$545<br>\$565<br>\$545<br>\$565<br>\$56 |

# Loss Example

Assume Concord variety with an approved yield of 6 tons per acre, 65-percent coverage level, 100-percent share non-irrigated, and a one-acre basic unit.

- 6 Approved Yield per acre
- <u>x .65</u> Coverage level
- 3.9 Acre guarantee
- <u>– 1.0</u> Production-to-Count
- 2.9 Loss per acre
- <u>x \$260</u> Price election (*Concords*)
- \$754 Indemnity per acre
- <u>\$26</u> Estimated Premium
  - \$728 Indemnity/Acre

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