

## Raleigh Regional Office — Raleigh, NC

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# **Small Grains**

Delaware, Maine, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina Pennsylvania, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia

## **Crop Insured**

All small grains (wheat, barley, and oats) are insurable if:

- They are grown in a county on insurable acreage, where premium rates are provided;
- They are planted on insurable acreage for harvest as a grain; and
- You have a share of the crop.

## **Counties Available**

See the actuarial documents at <a href="webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser/">webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser/</a> for insurable counties. 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, including natural perils such as hail, frost, freeze, wind, drought, and excess moisture:
- Failure of irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance year;
- Fire, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance year;
- Harvest price decline below the projected price when revenue protection is in effect;
- Insect damage and plant disease, but not damage due to insufficient or improper application of control measures; or
- Wildlife.

## **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins on the later of the date we accept your application or the date when the crop is planted, and ends with the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Total destruction of the crop;
- Harvest of the unit;
- Final adjustment of a loss;
- Abandonment of the crop; or

• End of insurance period.

## **Important Dates**

## Fall-planted

## Spring-planted

End of Insurance Period .................. October 31, 2016 Wheat (spring): ME, VT. Barley (spring): ME, NY, PA, VT. Oats (spring): ME, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA, WV.

## **Reporting Requirements**

You must file a report of planted acreage with your crop insurance agent by the acreage reporting date. Since acreage reporting dates vary by crop and county, talk to your agent, or for more information see: <a href="https://www.rma.usda.gov/tools/">www.rma.usda.gov/tools/</a>.

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

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.

## **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

The premium subsidy percentages and available coverage levels are shown below. Your share of the premium will be 100-percent minus the subsidy amount. Crop insurance premiums are subsidized as shown below.

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.

## **Price Elections**

Commodity Exchange Price Provisions (CEPP) contain information necessary to develop the projected price and the harvest price for the insured crop. CEPP includes the price discovery period, release dates, boards of trade used, and additional pricing information. Talk to your agent, or for more information go to:

www.rma.usda.gov/tools/pricediscovery.html.

## **Insurance Plans**

**Revenue Protection -** Insurance coverage provides protection against revenue loss due to a production loss, price decline or increase, or a combination of both.

**Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion -** Insurance coverage provides protection only against revenue loss due to a production loss, price decline, or a combination of both.

**Yield Protection -** Insurance coverage only providing protection against a production loss.

Area Revenue Protection, Area Revenue Protection with Harvest Price, and Area Yield Protection plans are available for wheat in North Carolina and Maryland only.

## **Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO)**

SCO is available for barley and wheat. If elected, SCO provides additional coverage for a portion of your underlying crop insurance policy deductible. For further information visit the SCO fact sheet at:

www.rma.usda.gov/pubs/rme/2016sco.pdf.

## **Late and Prevented Planting**

These provisions provide protection on eligible acreage that is planted late or that cannot be planted by the final planting date. Please talk to your agent for more details.

#### Loss Example

Assume the crop is wheat with an approved yield of 60 bushels per acre, 75-percent coverage level, 100-percent share and a one-area basic unit. The projected price is \$8.57 and the harvest price is \$6.96. Due to an insurable cause of loss, the production-to-count is 15 bushels. For Revenue Protection, the insurance guarantee is equal to

the production guarantee multiplied by the greater of the projected price or the harvest price.

| Yield Protec        | ction Revenue             | Revenue Protection  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 60                  | APH Yield per acre        | 60                  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathbf{x} = 0.75$ | Coverage Level            | $\mathbf{x} = 0.75$ |  |  |  |  |
| 45                  | Acre Guarantee            | 45                  |  |  |  |  |
| x \$8.57            | Projected Price           | x \$8.57            |  |  |  |  |
| \$385.65            | Insurance Guarantee       | \$385.65            |  |  |  |  |
| 15                  | <b>Bushels Produced</b>   | 15                  |  |  |  |  |
| x \$8.57            | Harvest Price             | x \$6.96            |  |  |  |  |
| \$128.55            | Production-to-Count Value | \$104.40            |  |  |  |  |
| 385.65              | Insurance Guarantee       | 385.65              |  |  |  |  |
| -128.55             | Production to Count Value | 104.40              |  |  |  |  |
| \$257.10            | Indemnity/Acre            | \$281.25            |  |  |  |  |

## 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: <a href="www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html">www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html</a>.

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