

# Raleigh Regional Office — Raleigh, NC

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# Cabbage

## Virginia

## **Crop Insured**

Cabbage is insured by type (green or red fresh cabbage) and practice (early spring and summer planted), as specified in the Special Provisions of Insurance. Cabbage to be marketed as coleslaw is considered fresh market cabbage and is insurable as fresh cabbage. To be insured, cabbage must be:

- From the family Brassicaceae and genus Brassica, excluding Savoy and Chinese cabbage or oriental greens;
- Planted with inspected transplants, without interplanting;
- Planted within the planting periods, as designated in the Important Dates section;
- Grown to be sold as fresh cabbage, but not directly marketed; and
- Planted in rows wide enough to permit mechanical cultivation, unless otherwise approved by written agreement.

Land on which Clubroot was detected within the previous 10 years, or Blackleg or Black Rot was present in any of the previous 4 years is not insurable.

## **Counties Available**

Cabbage insurance is available in Carroll County. Cabbage may be insurable in other counties by written agreement if specific criteria are met. Contact a crop 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 precipitation;
- Failure of irrigation water supply, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance period;
- Fire, if caused by an insured peril during the insurance period;

- Insect damage and plant disease, except for insufficient or improper application of control measures; or
- Wildlife.

Quarantine, boycott, refusal of buyer to accept production, or any other failure to market the cabbage, other than actual physical damage from an insured cause of loss; and damage that occurs or becomes evident after the end of the insurance period, including damage that occurs or becomes evident after the cabbage is placed in storage are not insurable causes of loss.

## **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins the later of the date of application or when the cabbage is planted and ends with the earliest occurrence of one of the following:

- Harvest of the crop;
- The date the crop should have been harvested;
- Final adjustment of a claim;
- Abandonment of the crop;
- Total destruction of the crop;
- July 31, 2017, for early spring cabbage; or
- November 15, 2017, for summer cabbage.

## **Important Dates**

Sales Closing Date March 15, 2017
Early Spring Earliest Planting Date March 16, 2017
Early Spring Final Planting Date April 15, 2017
Early Spring Acreage Reporting Date . May 15, 2017
Summer Earliest Planting Date April 16, 2017
Summer Final Planting DateJuly15, 2017
Summer Acreage Reporting Date August 15, 2017

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

• If crop damage occurs 15 days or more prior to beginning of harvest, give notice within 72 hours of discovery;

- If damage occurs within 15 days of harvest or during harvest, give notice immediately so that a crop inspection can be performed and leave three rows of unharvested crop per field for sampling;
- If any acreage on the unit will not be harvested, give notice at least 15 days before harvest would normally begin; and
- If any acreage will be put to a use other than the use identified on the acreage report (fresh), give notice at the beginning of harvest.

#### **Definitions**

Damaged Cabbage Production - Fresh market cabbage that fails to grade U.S. Commercial or better in accordance with the United States Standards for Grades of Cabbage due to an insurable cause of loss. Direct Marketing - Sale of the insured crop directly to consumers without the intervention of an intermediary such as a wholesaler, retailer, packer, processor, shipper, or buyer.

**Inspected Transplants -** Cabbage plants that meet the standards of the state inspection agency. **Marketable Cabbage -** Cabbage that is sold or grades at least U.S. Commercial for fresh market cabbage.

## **Coverage Levels and Premium Subsidies**

Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your average yield and are subsidized as shown below. For example, an average actual production history yield (APH) of 300 hundredweight (cwt.) per acre results in a guarantee of 150 cwt. per acre at the 50-percent coverage level.

Item	Percent					
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 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**

The prices below are for red	and green cabbage.
Established Price	\$11.65 per cwt.
CAT Price	\$6.41 per cwt.

## **Loss Example**

Assume 65-percent coverage level for spring-planted, fresh market cabbage with an APH yield of 400 hundredweight per acre and one basic unit.

	400	APH yield per acre
X	0.65	Coverage level
	260	Acre guarantee
_	160	Production-to-count
	100	Loss per acre
X	\$11.65	Price election
	\$1,165	Indemnity per acre

## Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance, including CAT policies, are available from private crop insurance agents. A list of crop insurance agents is available at all USDA service centers and on the RMA website at www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html.

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