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# Processing Beans Maryland

## **Crop Insured**

Processing beans (snap and lima) are insurable if:

- They are grown under, and in accordance with, a processor contract executed by the acreage reporting date; and
- They are not excluded from the contract at any time during the year.

Lima beans following snap beans harvested in the same crop year are not insurable.

#### **Counties Available**

Processing beans are insurable in Baltimore, Caroline, Carroll, Dorchester, Harford, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, and Worcester counties. Processing beans may be insurable in other counties if specific criteria are met.

#### **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.

This policy does not cover insect or disease damage on any snap bean acreage that follows a crop of snap beans, lima beans, or green peas harvested within the same crop year.

#### **Insurance Period**

Coverage begins at planting unless:

- Snap bean acreage is planted before April 20;
- Lima bean acreage is planted before May 10; or

- Lima bean acreage is planted before April 20, in Baltimore, Carroll, and Harford counties. Coverage ends with the earliest occurrence of one of the following:
- The date the processing beans are destroyed, abandoned, harvested, or should have been harvested but were not harvested;
- The date you harvest sufficient production to fulfill your processor contract (if the contract stipulates a specific amount of production to be delivered);
- Final adjustment of a loss; or
- October 15.

## **Important Dates**

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Sales Closing Date March 15	, 2018			
Acreage Reporting Date August 15	, 2018			
Early Lima Beans				
Sales Closing Date March 15	, 2018			
Acreage Reporting Date July 15	, 2018			
Late Lima Beans				
Sales Closing Date March 15	, 2018			
Acreage Reporting Date August 15	, 2018			
Lima Bean Varieties M-15, Cypress, Meadow, and				
C-elite Select				
Final Planting Date July 20	, 2018			
Acreage Reporting Date August 15	, 2018			

#### **Reporting Requirements**

An acreage report is a report of all insured acreage of processing beans. A report and a copy of all your processor contracts must be submitted to your crop insurance agent on or before the appropriate acreage reporting date.

## Duties in the Event of Damage or Loss

Notice of Loss - If a loss occurs you should:

 Protect the crop from further damage by providing sufficient care;

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.

- Notify your crop insurance agent within 72 hours of your initial discovery of damage (but not later than 15 days after the end of the insurance period); and
- Leave representative samples intact for each field of the damaged unit.

#### **Definitions**

**Base Contract Price -** The price stipulated in the processor contract for the grade factor or sieve size that is designated in the special provisions, if applicable, without regard to discounts or incentives that may apply.

**Bypassed Acreage -** Land on which production is ready for harvest but the processor chooses not to accept such production so it is not harvested.

**Production Guarantee -** Number of tons guaranteed per acre determined by multiplying your average yield per acre (based on your records) by the coverage level you choose.

### **Coverage Levels**

Coverage levels range from 50 to 75 percent of your average yield and are subsidized as shown in the following table.

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**

Price used to calculate your premium or indemnity.

Lima	\$460 per ton
Italian	\$255 per ton
Petite	\$255 per ton
Wax	\$255 per ton
Green and Other Unlisted Types	

## **Additional Coverage Options**

#### Supplemental Coverage Option (SCO)

SCO is available for processing beans in some counties. If elected, SCO provides additional coverage for a portion of your underlying crop insurance policy deductible. A map of SCO availability can be accessed through the Map Viewer tool on the RMA website at

prodwebnlb.rma.usda.gov/apps/MapViewer/ index.html

Actual Production History (APH) Yield Exclusion Yield Exclusion (YE) is available in some processing bean counties. YE allows you to exclude yields in exceptionally bad years from your production history when calculating yields used to establish your crop insurance coverage.

### Loss Example

Assume snap and lima beans with APH yields of 2.5 tons and 1.2 tons respectively, 65 percent coverage level, 100 percent share, and one basic unit.

<b>Snap Beans</b>		Lin	na B	Beans
2.5	APH Yield Per Acre (Tons	)		1.2
<u>x 0.65</u>	Coverage Level		X	0.65
1.6	Acre Guarantee			0.8
- 0.5	Production-to-Count		-	0.3
1.1	Loss Per Acre			0.5
<u>x \$255</u>	Price Election		X	\$460
\$281	<b>Indemnity Per Acre</b>			\$230

## 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.

## **Contact Us**

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