

Requesting Insurance on Unrated Land in Your County

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Filing a Request

A written agreement is required to insure land that is located in an unrated map area. To request a written agreement, complete and submit a Request for Actuarial Change (request type UC) through a crop insurance agent. Submitting a request does not guarantee insurance.

A list of crop insurance agents is available at all United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) service centers and on the Risk Management Agency (RMA) website at www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html.

Counties Available

Insurance coverage on unrated land may be requested in all counties nationwide which contain an unrated map area. However, written agreements are not allowed for catastrophic insurance policies nor for certain crop policies. To see if there are unrated map areas in your county, including maps, visit the RMA website at webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/ actuarialinformationbrowser/.

Important Dates

If you have a new request for coverage on land located in an unrated map area in your county, you must submit it on or before the acreage reporting date for your crop. If you have a renewal request for coverage on land located in an unrated map area in your county you must submit it on or before the sales closing date for your crop.

For information on acreage reporting dates and sales closing dates, visit the RMA website at webapp.rma.usda.gov/apps/actuarialinformationbrowser/.

Crops Covered

A complete list of crops insured nationwide is available at www.rma.usda.gov/policies/.

Requirements for Making a Request

A completed written agreement request must contain at least the following supporting documentation:

- A completed Request for Actuarial Change form;
- The current year's completed actual production history (APH) form based on records previously certified to the Approved Insurance Provider (AIP) for the crop and county for which the written agreement is being requested;
- The legal description of the requested land where available:
- Farm Service Agency (FSA) farm numbers, tract numbers, and field numbers;
- FSA aerial photographs or other Global Positioning System maps that are legible and clearly define where you intend to plant or have planted the requested crop;
- Natural Resource Conservation Service soil maps for the requested land, unless the RMA Regional Office does not require such evidence;
- For perennial crops only, a Pre-Acceptance Inspection Report and Pre-Acceptance Worksheet; and
- A copy of the current contract between the wildlife management agency and the producer if the acreage is located in a wildlife protection or management area.

This fact sheet provides only guidance and RMA may request additional information. You can find all written agreement regulations in the Written Agreement Handbook on the RMA website at www.rma.usda.gov/handbooks/24000/index.html.

Where to Buy Crop Insurance

All multi-peril crop insurance 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

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

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