



December Crop Watch



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The Raleigh Regional Office will be closed Friday, December 23rd & Monday, December 26th in observance of Christmas. Have a safe and happy holiday!

Reminder:

Most fall wheat acreage reports must be signed by December 15th. All paperwork must be in our office within 10 days of the due date. Please remember even zero acreage reports must be signed and submitted.

Attention:

Agents in every state are required to keep signed documentation on all forms when information is submitted via the web. This has been agreed to when accepting web procedure.

Claims Deadlines

Crop	Final Date to Report a Claim	States
Apples	11/20/11	VA
Grapes	12/05/11	VA
Flue Cured Tobacco	12/15/11	NC & VA
Peanuts	12/15/11	NC & VA
Corn (Grain)	12/25/11	AR, KY, NC, OK, TN & VA
Grain Sorghum	12/25/11	AR, KY, NC, OK & VA
Sesame	12/25/11	OK
Soybeans	12/25/11	AR, KY, NC, OK, TN & VA
Grapes	12/05/11	VA
Flue Cured Tobacco	12/15/11	NC & VA
Peanuts	12/15/11	NC & VA

Double Cropping Guidelines

The 2005 Crop Insurance Basic Provisions state in section 15:

Production Included in Determining an Indemnity and Payment Reductions.

(e) With respect to acreage where you have suffered an insurable loss to planted acreage of your first crop in the crop year, except in the case of double cropping described in section 15(h) which states (h) You may receive a full indemnity, or a full prevented planting payment for a first insured crop when a second crop is planted on the same acreage in the same crop year, regardless of whether or not the second crop is insured or sustains an insurable loss, if each of the following conditions are met:

- (1) It is a practice that is generally recognized by agricultural experts or the organic agricultural industry for the area to plant two or more crops for harvest in the same crop year;
- (2) The second or more crops are customarily planted after the first insured crop for harvest on the same acreage in the same crop year in the area;
- (3) Additional coverage insurance offered under authority of the Act is available in the county on the two or more crops that are double cropped;
- (4) You provide records acceptable to us of acreage and production that show you have double cropped acreage in at least two of the last crop years in which the first insured crop was planted, or that show the applicable acreage was double cropped in at least two of the last four crop years in which the first insured crop year was grown on it; and

Acceptable double-cropping records must include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Insured's APH records (production and records)
- (2) Crop appraisals for the Federal crop insurance program (production and acres)
- (3) Production from settlement sheets (insured has identified the unit/acreage from which the production has come) or
- (4) FSA documents showing bin measurements, FSA maps, FSA-578, etc, (identifying production records).

The production records for both crops must be only from acreage that was double cropped and cannot be combined with acreage that was not double cropped.

Example– A 100 acre field was planted to wheat and 75 acres of the same field was planted to soybeans after the wheat was harvested. The 100 acre wheat field was harvested and the production from the 75 acres of wheat that was planted to soybeans was not kept separate from the 25 acres that was left idle. Therefore this acreage would not meet the criteria for double cropping eligibility.



***** ATTENTION *****

Please remember, production must be submitted for all non-loss units. Adjusters will not be accepting these records when working the claim unless necessary (i.e. a revenue loss).

2012 TRAINING

Arkansas

- No Spring Training

Kentucky

- February 15th, Louisville, make-up update (9am-1pm)

North Carolina

- January 19th, Raleigh, basic (8am-5pm)
- January 20th, Raleigh, update (8:30am-12:30pm)
- January 24th, Hickory, update (8:30am-12:30pm)
- January 24th, Greenville, update (8:30am-12:30pm)

Oklahoma

- February 1st, OK City, update (8:30am-12:30pm)

Tennessee

- January 5th, Columbia, update (9am-1pm)

Virginia

- January 11th, Richmond, update (9am-1pm)