

The Seed Source

Newsletter of Kansas Crop Improvement Association

July 2024

Important Dates

July 4 - Independence Day, Office Closed

July 24—25 - KSIA Summer Meeting and Hootie Open Golf Tournament

July 25 - Field Applications for Fall Inspected Crops Due

Wheat Inspection Season Nearly Complete

The 2024 wheat inspection season is nearing completion. At the time of writing, inspections are more than 90% finished.

This season brought its own set of unique challenges. As you all know, most crops in Kansas are at least 2 weeks ahead of an average year. This early maturity across the state led to some fast and furious weeks of inspections for myself and my whole team. In addition, I had several inspectors who had to quit mid-season for medical reasons. Shout out to the rest of my team for picking up their fields and to the growers involved for their flexibility to coordinate with new inspectors.

As we near completion of field inspections, please remember to check your field reports on myFields for field status and any notes on conditioning, especially regarding presence of weeds such as jointed goatgrass. I wish you the best of luck finishing up harvest and starting the conditioning and sale season.

~ Marion.

New Form for In-State Transfer of Inspected Seed in Bulk

Inspected seed is seed from fields that have passed Kansas field inspection but for which certification has not been completed. The buyer must condition the seed and submit the appropriate samples to complete certification prior to any resale or retail movement.

This newly designed paper form is for the bulk movement of "dirty" or unconditioned seed within Kansas to a Category I Approved Conditioner or certified seed grower. A sample copy has been enclosed with this newsletter.

Now that all in-state resale seed movements of clean seed in bulk have moved to the online Dashboard, we will be retiring the previous document: Transfer or Resale of Kansas Certified Seed in Bulk. If you still have copies of this form (with a "last printed" date 2009) it will be accepted for unconditioned, in-state, bulk seed movements only. No in-state resale seed transactions should be recorded on paper forms, even though the old form covered resale movements.

You can request copies of the new In-State Transfer Form from the KCIA office or by emailing a supply order form, found under the Forms and Manuals section of our website.

Bulk Seed - Bin Inventory and Sales Tracking Sheet Available

As an optional tool to help our growers and BRFs stay organized and in compliance with seed law, we have re-worked the Bin Inventory Sheet.

Use it to record your bulk retail sales transactions for resale seed or own production, along with ensuring a legal label was provided to your customers.

There are columns to mark that customers have received a self-adhesive label on their invoice during the sales season or track which serial numbered bulk retail sales certificate goes with each customer sale. We hope this tracking sheet makes entering your sales amounts online by the December 15th Distribution due date easier and less stressful.

This form is available in portrait or landscape print orientation on our website, found under the Forms and Manuals sections. A double-sided copy is also enclosed with this newsletter.

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If you would like to receive "The Seed Source" via email, please contact us at kscrop@kansas.net

Field Status Report and Carryover Report

With wheat field inspections wrapping up soon, we will be working on sending out the field status report in the mail during July. This report, previously known as the harvest report, will list all your inspected fields with acres, class, and their passed/rejected/cancelled status. Please contact the office staff on any discrepancy with your records.

No Carryover Report will be mailed. Be sure to check lot statuses on the Dashboard under *Pending Carryover*. Ignore any lots with less than 50 bushels/60 units/3000 pounds, we are working on zeroing them out for you. If you have already sent a carryover germination sample, check your lab results online to verify it is still within standards.

Bulk Retails Facilities and Bulk Distribution Centers

With the wheat being ahead this year, the wheat sales season is rapidly approaching. As a reminder, Bulk Retail Facilities (BRF) are a KCIA approved location that can purchase certified seed in bulk and print certificates/labels with the BRF's own name. Managers, remember to accept resale requests and additional purchase requests online before making any retail sales of the seed to comply with labeling laws. Growers who wish to move seed to an approved BRF, must do so through the Dashboard. The BRFs who have renewed with KCIA will appear on the Dashboard resale list. If you are a BRF, please renew with KCIA as soon as possible in order to stay on the approved resale list.

In contrast, a Bulk Distribution Center (BDC) is a location where a grower can arrange to sell their seed but the grower maintains the certification and it remains their name on the label. A BDC cannot receive resale seed lots and will not appear on the Dashboard. The grower will provide all self-adhesive labels or bulk retail sales certificates needed and complete the distribution reports online. A grower must register all their BDC locations each year using the form available on our website under the Forms and Manuals section.

Supply Price Increase

The costs of everything keeps going up and unfortunately after four years, that will include sample bags, labels, and forms in 2024. Our current pricing (effective June 1st) is posted on our website, but for your convenience also listed in this newsletter.

We will be trying a new supplier for seal kit straps. If you sell in jumbo totes, please let us know what you think of them.

Supplies can be ordered by calling the office or by emailing a redesigned supply order form available on our website under the Forms and Manuals section to kscrop@kansas.net.

Item	Cost
2# sample bag	\$1.75
10# sample bag	\$2.25
In-State Transfer Form	\$1.00
Interstate Transfer Form	No Charge
Certification Bag Label	\$0.08
Certification Jumbo Label and Seal Kit	\$0.60
Certification Bulk Label	\$0.30
Blank Certification Labels with Printing Privileges	\$0.10, 2500 per box
Bulk Retail Sales Certificate	Online Only, no charge
Resale Form	Online Only, no charge

Seed Sample Shipping and Handling

As an annual reminder, 10 pound Clean Seed Inspection samples should be securely packed for shipping. This includes using our cloth sample bags or taping shut your zip-top plastic bags, using solid packing materials like crumpled paper around them, and using the correct size box for your samples. Every year we receive samples broken open during shipping in crumpled and torn open boxes. Resending because of a contaminated or spilled sample will delay your testing results during a busy sales season!





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