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2017 Crop Loss Protection Program – West



The 2017 Bayer Shared Risk™ Program includes crop loss protection on irrigated or dryland acres.

Crop Loss Program Eligibility

The Crop Loss element of the 2017 Bayer Shared Risk Program is designed to support cotton growers who lose their final cotton planting due to certain weather events.

The Crop Loss Program includes options to compensate for:

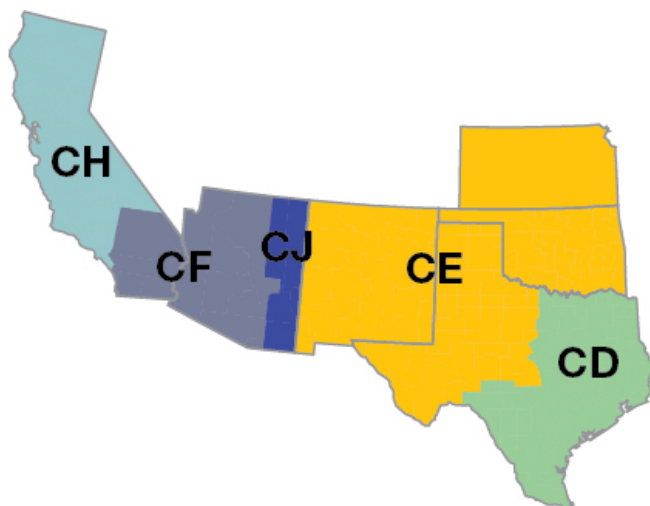
- Trait technologies: LibertyLink®, GlyTol®, TwinLink®, TwinLink Plus, Roundup Ready® Flex and/or Bollgard II®
- Liberty® herbicide and Velum® Total

Important Dates

Crop Loss coverage is available when the loss occurs within 60 days of final planting.

Final dates of submission

- Seed Zone CD – July 31, 2017
- Seed Zones CE, CF, CH, CJ – August 15, 2017



Reimbursement

If a grower's eligible cotton crop is damaged, as described under general program requirements, to the extent that it qualifies for crop loss, Bayer will reimburse the grower for their invoiced price of seed and trait technologies, less \$170 per 220K bag equivalent unit (\$135 for a 170K bag).

QUALIFYING PRODUCTS	ACTIVITY	PER BAG GROWER RESPONSIBILITY		REIMBURSED	NOTES
		220K	170K		
FiberMax® Cotton Stoneville® Cotton LibertyLink, GlyTol, TwinLink, TwinLink Plus Roundup Ready Flex and Bollgard II Technologies	Cotton Crop Loss	\$170 and Aeris®/Trilex® Advanced and COPeO™ Prime (if applicable)	\$135 and Aeris/Trilex Advanced and COPeO Prime (if applicable)	Grower invoice price for seed and trait minus \$170 per bag of 220K equivalent unit or \$135 per 170K bag	Loss must occur within 60 days after planting

QUALIFYING PRODUCTS	ACTIVITY	LIBERTY REIMBURSED	VELUM TOTAL REIMBURSED
FiberMax Cotton Stoneville Cotton Liberty Velum Total	Failed Cotton Acres	Invoice price up to 58 ounces of Liberty per applied acre on failed cotton crop loss acres	Invoice price up to 14 ounces of Velum Total per applied acre on failed cotton crop loss acres

Conditions of Crop Loss Coverage

Failed acres must qualify for coverage under the Multiple Peril Crop Insurance Program.

- Required documentation must include:
 - FSA Form 576, or PRODUCTION WORKSHEET / PROOF OF LOSS.
 - Original purchase invoice copy.
 - Signed claim form.
- All FiberMax and Stoneville varieties are eligible.
- Premium seed treatment is not reimbursable on a Crop Loss claim.
- Affected acres cannot be replanted back to cotton and must be destroyed.
- Crop must be destroyed after submitting a claim and validated by a Bayer representative.

Coverage for Trait Technology

If grower's cotton crop is lost and is destroyed and cannot be replanted, the Bayer Shared Risk Crop Loss program protects grower's trait investment, including:

- LibertyLink
- GlyTol
- TwinLink
- TwinLink Plus
- Roundup Ready Flex
- Bollgard II

Coverage for Input Products

- Liberty reimbursement up to use rate of 58 ounces of Liberty per acre – minimum purchase of 20 gallons of Liberty in 2017.
- Velum Total reimbursement up to use rate of 14 ounces of Velum Total per acre.

Qualifying Customers

Cotton growers who use qualifying products purchased from a Bayer authorized agent (distributor), or sub-agent (retailer).

Payments will be released only to growers who have a valid signed Bayer Grower Technology Agreement and/or a Monsanto Technology Stewardship Agreement (required for Monsanto-treated seed).

Program Elements

Growing Practices:

Growers must use sound farm management practices, making every attempt to establish a stand and produce a crop. Growers are encouraged to follow Right Variety. Right Field. Right Yield.™ strategy.

Planting multiple varieties on their farm will increase profit potential and reduce risk.

General Program Requirements:

The program applies only to acres planted to FiberMax and/or Stoneville cotton seed. Best Management Practices established by University Extension Service for local growing region must have been followed:

- Seeding Rate
- Planting Date
- Weed Control
- Other Acceptable Farming Practices

Program Procedures

- Growers must notify the agent/sub-agent, from whom the seed was purchased, of the grower shared risk claim.
- Grower must furnish correct mailing addresses with verifying documentation as required on the claims reimbursement form.

- Validation of seed purchases will be conducted prior to processing claim.
- For replant, the agent/sub-agent will contact the local Bayer sales representative prior to replant.
- For crop loss, the agent/sub-agent will contact the local Bayer Sales Representative within 10 days of the crop loss.
- All claim forms must be signed by the grower, agent / sub-agent, and sales representative.
- Bayer sales representative will verify the need for grower shared risk reimbursement.
- Bayer representative must inspect the field prior to tillage or replanting.
- Claim reimbursement will be mailed to the Bayer sales representative, delivered to the agent/sub-agent and made payable to the grower.
- Claims will be audited.
- Bayer shall be the final arbiter as to the cause of loss.
- Grower agrees to allow inspection of field by Bayer representative.
- Growers who plant FiberMax and/or Stoneville with Monsanto technology, e.g., Genuity® Bollgard II and/or Roundup Ready Flex traits, must have a valid Monsanto Technology Stewardship agreement.

Seed Drop Zones

CD – East Texas

Counties: East Texas: Anderson, Angelina, Aransas, Atascosa, Austin, Bandera, Bastrop, Bee, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Bosque, Brazoria, Brazos, Brooks, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Camp, Chambers, Cherokee, Clay, Collin, Colorado, Comal, Cooke, Coryell, Dallas, Delta, Denton, Dewitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, Ellis, Falls, Fannin, Fayette, Fort Bend, Franklin, Freestone, Frio, Galveston, Gillespie, Goliad, Gonzales, Grayson, Gregg, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hill, Hood, Hopkins, Houston, Hunt, Jack, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Hog, Jim Wells, Johnson, Karnes, Kaufman, Kendall, Kenedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Kleberg, Lamar, Lampasas, La Salle, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Liberty, Limestone, Live Oak, McLennan, McMullen, Madison, Mason, Matagorda, Maverick, Medina, Menard, Milam, Montague, Montgomery, Morris, Nacogdoches, Navarro, Nueces, Orange, Palo Pinto, Parker, Polk, Rains, Real, Red River, Refugio, Robertson, Rockwall, Rusk, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Smith, Somervell, Starr, Tarrant, Titus, Travis, Trinity, Tyler, Upshur, Uvalde, Val Verde, Van Zandt, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington, Webb, Wharton, Willacy, Williamson, Wilson, Wise, Wood, Zapata, Zavala

CE – Oklahoma, West Texas, Kansas, and New Mexico

Counties: Oklahoma: All counties **West Texas:** Andrews, Archer, Armstrong, Bailey, Baylor, Borden, Brewster, Briscoe, Brown, Callahan, Carson, Castro, Childress, Cochran, Coke, Coleman, Collingsworth, Comanche, Concho, Cottle, Crane, Crockett, Crosby, Culberson, Dallam, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Donley, Eastland, Ector, El Paso, Erath, Fisher, Floyd, Foard, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hamilton, Hansford, Hardeman, Hartley, Haskell, Hemphill, Hockley, Howard, Hudspeth, Hutchinson, Irion, Jeff Davis, Jones, Kent, King, Knox, Lamb, Lipscomb, Llano, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, McCulloch, Midland, Mills, Mitchell, Moore, Motley, Nolan, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Pecos, Potter, Presidio, Randall, Reagan, Reeves, Roberts, Runnels, San Saba, Schleicher, Scurry, Shackelford, Sherman, Stephens, Sterling, Stonewall, Sutton, Swisher, Taylor, Terrell, Terry, Throckmorton, Tom Green, Upton, Ward, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger, Winkler, Yoakum, Young
Kansas: All counties **New Mexico:** All counties

CF – Western Arizona and Imperial Valley, California

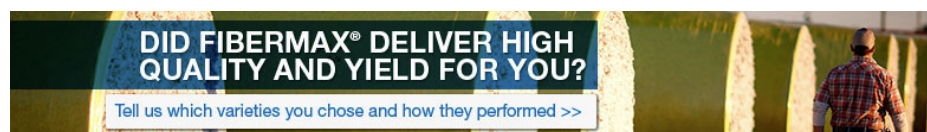
Arizona: All counties except Apache, Cochise, Graham, Greenlee, and Navajo **California:** Imperial, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego

CH – San Joaquin/Sacramento Valley, California

Counties: All California counties except Imperial, Riverside, San Bernadino, San Diego

CJ – Eastern Arizona

Arizona: Apache, Cochise, Graham, Greenlee, and Navajo



Suggested Reading

- Your path to profitability starts with these varieties.
- Choose the right variety for your field.
- Talk to the Bayer Agronomic Services Team.

Program Conditions

BAYER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MODIFY OR WITHDRAW THIS PROGRAM OR ANY PORTION THEREOF WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE.

Reimbursement will not be made on invoices that have been artificially inflated or fabricated. Bayer makes no warranty or guarantee regarding availability of Qualifying Products including specific varieties of product for replanting purposes. All federal, state or local taxes on payments received under this program are the sole responsibility of the payment recipient, individuals, or reseller, and not of Bayer, its parent company, or its agents.

Fraudulent reporting of sales and product use are grounds for withholding or invalidating all program money. Bayer reserves the right to verify all claims for allowances under this program, and in matters of discrepancy, reserves the right of final decision. Bayer reserves the right to debit payments from future programs or collect amounts directly from growers if errors are discovered after payments have been issued.

Fraudulent claims hotline: **1-877-976-8286**. Your call is anonymous and will help maintain the integrity of Bayer programs for those who qualify appropriately.

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