

September 1, 2015

SEMI ANNUAL REPORT OF SEED SOLD IN MINNESOTA – PERIOD ENDING 9/30/2015

Change in the Minnesota Seed Law.

There has been a change in the MN Seed Law regarding seed fees, reporting units and how fees are paid on native grasses and wildflower seed in commercial or agricultural quantities.

The unit changes on field corn, soybeans and sugarbeets are highlighted in red on the semi-annual reports. Native Grasses and wild flower seed in commercial or agricultural quantities will no longer be reported on the semi-annual report, but will be reported on the Annual Permit, Category B. If you are a labeler of Native Grass & Wild Flowers do not include it in your semi-annual report you will receive a Category B permit report in December to use for your native grass & Wild flower sales. For a complete copy of the current seed law go to

www.revisor.mn.gov/pubs

Enclosed is your semi-annual report form and a penalty assessment sheet. **Please complete it and return it in the enclosed envelope with your payment, along with any fees due, postmarked no later than OCTOBER 31, 2015 to avoid any penalties. Your report is due by OCTOBER 31, 2015 even if you had no sales.**

Be sure to sign and date your report.

If you have any questions or concerns please call or e-mail me.

Sincerely,

Robbin Lucker

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Seed, Weed & Biotechnology Unit

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Enclosures

Assessing Penalties on Semi-Annual Reports (If submitting after the **Penalty Date** listed below)

If no seed fees are due for the reporting period the penalty is \$15 per report.

If seed fees are owed, the penalty is a minimum of \$100 or 8% of the unpaid balance calculated on an annual basis, whichever is greater, but not more than \$500 per report. The \$100 minimum penalty applies regardless of the amount of fees owed.

To calculate the 8% penalty, multiply the total due by 8%, divide the result by 12 (months in a year) and multiply that result by the number of months the report is past due.

In most cases, the \$100 minimum will be due. As a general rule of thumb, you would have to owe *more* than \$1,250 and be a full year past the penalty date in order for the 8% penalty to exceed the \$100 minimum. If the report is more than one year past due, it would be possible to owe more than the \$100 penalty on an amount less than \$1,250.

Penalty date:

- **SEPTEMBER 30 reports must be postmarked by OCTOBER 31 to avoid any penalties.**



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Minn. Stat. Sec. 21.891

NOTICE: REPORTING/PENALTY REQUIREMENTS This report must be filed within 30 days after the end of each reporting period even if there are no sales to report. A \$15 penalty will be assessed when the semi-annual report is late if no fee is due for the reporting period. If fees are due for the reporting period and the permit holder does not submit a report and pay the fees due within 30 days after the end of the reporting period a penalty of \$100 or eight percent of the unpaid balance calculated on an annual basis, whichever is greater, but not more than \$500 will be assessed.

PERMIT NUMBER:	PERIOD ENDING:

For Agricultural Seed Sold in Containers (bags, boxes, etc.) or in Bulk:

KIND OF SEED	SOLD	RETURNED	NET SALES	FEE RATE	FEE OR (CREDIT)
Oats, Wheat, Barley				\$0.09 per hundred pounds	
Buckwheat, Field Beans, Rye, Flax				\$0.12 per hundred pounds	
Sunflower, Canola				\$1.96 per hundred pounds	
Forage, Lawn and Turf Grasses and Legumes				\$0.69 per hundred pounds	
Field Corn				\$0.17 per 80,000 seed unit	
Sugarbeet				\$0.12 per 100,000 seed unit	
Soybean				\$0.075 per 140,000 seed unit	
Kind not listed above* _____				_____ per hundred pounds*	

*Use fee for crop most closely resembling it in normal planting rate.

PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF THIS REPORT FOR YOUR RECORDS

Return this form with your check made payable to:
 Minnesota Department of Agriculture
 Attn: Cashier
 625 Robert Street North
 St. Paul, MN 55155-2538
Permits are not transferable and fees are not refundable.

TOTAL FEE OR CREDIT	\$ _____
	600351(3200)
PENALTY FEE	\$ _____
	600351(3520)
CREDIT DUE	\$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	\$ _____

I hereby certify that the information contained in this report is true and correct. Signature: _____ Date: _____ Name (Please print): _____ Title: _____ Contact Telephone: _____ Fax Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____	For Office Use Only 20063062
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