

Samplings

April 2014 Enhancing Value, Improving Marketability

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Calendar

| May 26 | MCIA Office Closed |
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| May 26 | WICIA Office Closed |
| June 11-14 | ASTA Convention, |
| | Indianapolis, IN |
| June 22-25 | AOSCA Annual Mtg, |
| | Asheville, NC |
| June 17-18 | MCIA Board Mtg, Chanhassen |
| July 23-25 | Northern Seed Trade Assn/Field |
| | Seed Institute, Omaha, NE |
| Sept 15-18 | Midwest Specialty Grains |
| | Conf, Milwaukee, WI |

Hiring Part-time Field Staff

MCIA is looking for part-time field inspectors for the upcoming inspection season especially in the Morris and Moorhead areas! If you or someone you know is interested, please contact your field supervisor or call the office at 1-800-510-6242.

Seed World Seeks Award Nominees

The Future Giants of the Seed Industry award annually recognizes an individual who shows the potential to make a significant contribution to the industry. Nominees may be rising leaders currently employed in the seed industry or students planning to enter the seed industry in the graduation year of their post-secondary program. Learn more and nominate a Future Giant of the Seed Industry at www.seedworld.com.

Field Inspection Application Deadlines

Please note these dates to avoid late fees:

- June 7 Small grains, corn, sunflowers and other crops not listed below
- June 7 or 3 weeks after planting (whichever is first) Soybean post spray inspections
- June 7 Soybean bloom inspections
- Noxious weed seed free forage & mulch 4 weeks prior to each cutting
- July 15 Soybeans (pre-harvest inspection only)
- Year of Seeding Perennials and native grasses & forbs

Information packets for Field Inspection Applications will be mailed in May. Application forms and instructions are also available online at www. mncia.org.

Save Proof of Seed Source

Applicants for seed certification must provide proof that eligible seed was used to plant seed production fields. Remember, when purchasing seed be sure bags are properly tagged with Foundation or Registered certification labels or that you receive a bulk certificate for bulk seed purchases. Save these documents for proof of seed source and submit with your Application for Field Inspection.

Foundation Seed Information

Seed Available - We are still accepting orders for Foundation seed. Call for availability.

Seed Pickup - Full payment is due before you can pick up your Foundation seed order. Remember to contact your seed distributor ahead of time to make arrangements to pick up seed. Call MCIA for additional information.

Cover Crop Seed

Remember - seed sold for cover crop use must be tested and properly labeled in compliance with seed law requirements. Contact Steve Malone at Minnesota Department of Ag (MDA) 651-201-6531 if you have any questions.

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