

Calendar

May 26	MCIA Office Closed
June 11-14	ASTA Convention, Indianapolis, IN
June 17-18	MCIA Board Mtg, Chanhassen
June 22-25	AOSCA Annual Mtg, Asheville, NC
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.

Minnesota Certified Seed Bags

If you want to give your bagged seed a professional distinct look, why not use the Minnesota Certified seed bag? The deadline for ordering Minnesota Certified Seed bags with Greif is **Friday, May 30th**. Information will be mailed to Approved Seed Conditioners. If you have questions about ordering bags you can contact customer service at Greif in Rosemount, MN at 651-322-6541 or 800-432-2247 or call Gloria Donner at 763-262-6237.

Seed Conditioning Workshops

For more information contact the Seed Science Center at Iowa State University, call 515-294-4011 or visit www.seeds.iastate.edu

What to Send in with your Field Inspection Application

MCIA field inspection application packets will be mailed to you shortly. A few items to remember:

1. Enclose payment. Review fee schedule to determine fees.
2. Enclose proof of seed source with application.
3. Enclose new variety descriptions if applicable.
4. Sign and return completed application by due date.
5. Application forms and instructions are also available online at www.mncia.org.

If you have questions, contact your field supervisor or the MCIA office.

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

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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.

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