

Samplings

March 2015 Enhancing Value, Improving Marketability

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Calendar

March 15	Payments due for Foundation Seed	
March 27	MCIA Board Mtg, St. Paul	
March 31-	Northern AOSCA Regional	
April 1	Meeting, Moline, IL	
April 3	MCIA Office Closed	
April 13-16	Native Seed Conf., Santa Fe, NM	
June 21-24	AOSCA Annual Mtg, Vancouver,	
	British Columbia	

2015 Seed Conditioning Workshops

Iowa State offers these hands on workshops, which include a mix of classroom presentations and equipment demonstrations. The workshops are suitable for training new personnel or as a refresher course for experienced operators.

Food Grade Bean Conditioning	May 11-14
Color Sorting - Satake	June 1-2
Color Sorting - Satake	June 3-4
Color Sorting - Buhler Sotex	June 9-10
Seed Corn Conditioning	June 15-18
Seed Treatment	June 24-25
Soybean and Small Grain Seed	July 6 - 9
Specialty Seed Conditioning	July 14-16
Soybean and Small Grain Seed	July 20-23
Gravity Separation	July 28
Gravity Separation	July 30
Seed Corn Conditioning	August 3-6

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



Has Spring Sprung?

The early warm weather has everybody's attention. The phone has been ringing often with members wanting Foundation seed or test results for their seed lots. The seed labs are all busy, so don't delay in getting your seed tested. At best it will take about 7 days and we need test results before issuing final reports, bulk certs or tags. A few other items to keep in mind.

- 1. Always tag or issue bulk certificates for the seed you distribute.
- 2. Be sure you received a passed seed certification report before any tags or bulk certificates are issued.
- 3. Resolve any issues about eligibility of seed source before planting.

Save your Proof of Seed Source

Remember, when picking up seed make sure it is properly tagged or that you receive a bulk certificate. Save these documents for proof of seed source. Information packets for Field Inspections will be mailed in May.

Foundation Seed and New Variety Information

Seed Available - We are still accepting orders for Foundation seed of barley, oats, soybeans and wheat. Please include full payment when ordering. Some of the varieties available are:

Deon & Horsepower Oats and Linkert & Forefront spring wheat.

New Varieties - Invoices will be mailed to those who received a new variety allocation. Please make payment immediately, so you can pick up your seed in a timely manner.

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 or if you have questions.

Hiring Part-time Field Staff

MCIA is looking for part-time field inspectors for the upcoming inspection season *especially in the Morris area*! If you or someone you know is interested, please contact your field supervisor or call the MCIA office.

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