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CALENDAR

MARCH

Payments for Foundation Seed are now due.

APRIL

- 4-5** Northern AOSCA Regional Meeting, Moline, IL
- 14** MCIA Office Closed

MAY

- 29** MCIA Office Closed

JUNE

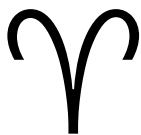
- 11-14** AOSCA Annual Meeting, Cleveland, OH
- 21-24** ASTA Annual Convention, Minneapolis

Part-time Inspectors

MCIA is looking for part-time field inspectors for the upcoming inspection season. If you or someone you know might be interested in field inspecting, please contact your field supervisor or the MCIA office.

Color/Shape Sorters

The MCIA Board approved changes to the Approved Conditioners Requirements regarding the use of color/shape sorters. Ask your field supervisors for details.



Vernal Equinox: March 20

REMINDER: Ready for Spring?

Planting season will be here soon. The seed lab is busy, so don't delay in getting your seed tested. At best it will take 7 days and we need test results before issuing final reports, bulk certificates, and tags. A few other items to keep in mind:

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

Save Your Proof of Seed Source

When you pick up seed, be sure that it is properly tagged or that you receive a bulk certificate. Save these documents for proof of seed source. MCIA will mail Field Inspection information packets 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.

New Varieties: Invoices have been 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.

2017 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.

Germination Testing	May 1-4	Soybean and Small Grain Seed...	July 10-13
Purity Testing	May 8-11	Seed Treatment	July 19-20
Food Grade Bean Conditioning ..	May 15-18	Soybean & Small Grain Seed	July 24-27
Color Sorting Satake (SM).....	June 5-6	Gravity Separation	August 1
Color Sorting Satake (EVO).....	June 7-8	Gravity Separation	August 3
Color Sorting - Buhler Sortex.....	June 13-14	Seed Corn Conditioning.....	August 7-10
Specialty Seed Conditioning ...	June 20-22	Seed Quality	August 15-17
Seed Corn Conditioning.....	June 26-29		

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

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