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CALENDAR

MAY

29 MCIA Office Closed

JUNE

11-14 AOSCA Annual Meeting, Cleveland, OH
19-22 AOSA SCST ISTA Joint Annual Meeting, Denver, CO
21-24 ASTA Annual Convention, Minneapolis
28-29 MCIA Board Meeting

2017 Seed Conditioning Workshops

Iowa State offers these hands-on workshops, which include a mix of classroom presentations and equipment demonstrations.

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

For more information call 515-294-4011, visit www.seeds.iastate.edu, or e-mail Alan Gaul at agaul@iastate.edu.

REMINDER: Save Proof of Seed Source

Applicants for field inspection must provide proof that Foundation or Registered seed was used. Save your tags or bulk certificates for proof of seed source and submit them with your application.

Field Inspection Application Deadlines

Please note these dates to avoid late fees:

- **June 7:** Small grains, corn, and sunflowers
- **June 7 or 3 weeks after planting (whichever is first):** Soybean post-spray inspections
- **June 7:** Soybean bloom inspections
- **4 weeks prior to each cutting** for noxious weed seed-free forage and mulch
- **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.

Foundation Seed Information

Seed Available: We are still accepting orders for Foundation seed.

Seed Pickup: Full payment is due before you can pick up your Foundation seed. Remember to contact the seed distributor ahead of time to make arrangements to pick up seed. Call MCIA for additional information or if you have questions.

MCIA Field Services Is Hiring

Field Inspectors: MCIA is seeking part-time field inspectors for the upcoming inspection season—*especially in the Willmar and Sauk Centre areas!*

Field Supervisor: MCIA is seeking qualified candidates for a full-time Field Supervisor position. The supervisor will conduct field crop and conditioning facility inspections, manage inspection crew, and perform audits of MCIA audit-based services. *This is a home office-based position located in Southern Minnesota.*

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact your field supervisor or call the MCIA office at 800-510-6242.

Seed Laboratory Update

If you haven't submitted your seed samples for testing, do so now! Verifying that seed standards are met is one of the last steps in the certification process. Germination tests generally take at least seven days, and electrophoresis can sometimes take longer. Rush service can be requested.

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 Seed Laboratory Services