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CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 24–27** U.S. Soy Global Trade Exchange & Specialty Grains Conference
Virtual event.
www.gte2020.com
- 27** Minnesota State Fair
Most fair activities, with the exception of the Fine Arts Exhibition, have been canceled.
St. Paul

SEPTEMBER

- 7** MCIA Office Closed

Foundation Winter Wheat and Rye

Growers interested in ordering Foundation winter wheat or rye seed should contact MCIA. We will help you obtain seed from neighboring states. Order early for best availability.

MCIA Directory Advertising

Advertising in MCIA's 2021 *Directory* is a great way for members to promote their businesses to seed buyers, producers, conditioners, wholesalers, retailers, and a variety of ag-related businesses.

Expect to receive an informational mailing soon regarding *Directory* advertising. We'll be sending it out later this month. For more information, or to reserve your ad space, contact the office at 612-625-7766 and ask for Alan Makinen.

REMINDER: Field Inspection

Please be sure your small grain seed field is inspected before you harvest. If you do not have a field inspection report, contact your field supervisor. Do not harvest unless you are sure it has been inspected. **We can still accept applications for small grain field inspections.** If you need to add a field, contact the office or your field supervisor. A late fee may apply.

Carryover Seed Listing (MCIA Directory)

The 2021 MCIA *Directory* will include a listing of carryover seed. If you have seed you want to list, please submit the Directory Carryover Seed Inclusion form that was included in your field inspection information packet, which we sent out in May. To access the form online, go to www.mncia.org/resources; you'll find it listed there under Certification Services, Seed Certification Program. Another option is to simply send MCIA the following information about your carryover seed: **crop variety and your name, address, and telephone number.**

Seed Lab Notes

The Seed Laboratory recently emailed clients a Customer Satisfaction Survey. It's a short survey, containing just ten questions about testing services provided over the last year. To offer your feedback, click the survey link in the message. If you did not receive the survey but you'd like to participate, please send your request to chase.mowry@mncia.org. Comments or suggestions regarding other MCIA program services should be emailed directly to MCIA President/CEO Fawad Shah at fawad.shah@mncia.org.

A new fee schedule, which includes minor changes for laboratory testing, will go into effect September 1, 2020. To access the fee schedule online, go to www.mncia.org/resources; you'll find it listed under Seed Laboratory, Seed Testing. For more information call MCIA at 612-625-7766 and ask for the Seed Laboratory.

MCIA Approved Facility Changes

MCIA is changing the time of year when we bill approved facilities clients. The annual fee will remain the same, but it will be billed at the end of December, rather than June, to reflect a calendar-year schedule. New certificates have been mailed to each facility. A 2020 calendar-year of approval is printed in the bottom left hand corner of the certificate. Year 2021 Certificates of Approval will be handed out to clients by Field Services staff at the time of inspection.

Variety Assessment and Royalties

You will be receiving forms for reporting your variety assessment fees and royalties. Take time now to complete your sales records, which will help you respond in a timely manner. Thank you!

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MCIA Services:

Certification Services
Field Services
Foundation Seed Services
Organic Services
Seed Laboratory Services