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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

Seed Lab Reminders

- ✓ New crop small grains and turf grasses may require extra germination time due to prechill requirements. Be sure to include the year of production on the sampling report.
- ✓ Loose smut tests can be conducted on each barley field at the time of harvest, eliminating the need for a smut test on every lot. Loose smut results must be included on the bulk sales certificate or seed tag.
- ✓ The Seed Lab's Customer Satisfaction Survey closes at the end of August. It's a short survey, containing just ten questions about services provided over the last year. To offer your feedback, click the survey link in the message we recently emailed to clients. If you did not receive the survey but you'd like to participate, please send your request to chase.mowry@mncia.org.
- ✓ A new fee schedule takes effect September 1, 2020. To access the fee schedule online, go to www.mncia.org/resources; you'll find the fee schedule listed under Seed Laboratory, Seed Testing.

REMINDER: Soybean Inspection

The season for soybean field inspection will be here soon. If you have not yet submitted your field inspection application, please get it in as soon as possible. This will allow field inspectors to plan for an efficient and timely inspection season.

Be Included in the MCIA Directory

Carryover Seed Listing: The 2021 MCIA *Directory* will include a listing of carryover seed. If you have seed you want to list, please submit the application form that was included in your field inspection information packet, which we sent out in May. You may also access the form on the MCIA website on the Client Resources page, listed under Certification Services, Seed Certification Program. You may also simply send MCIA the following information:

• *Crop Variety* • *Name* • *Address* • *Telephone Number*

Advertise: Are you looking for opportunities to promote your business? If so, consider advertising in the 2021 edition of MCIA's *Directory*! You'll reach seed buyers, producers, conditioners, wholesalers, retailers, and other ag-related businesses. The *Directory* will go to press this fall and a digital version will be available via the MCIA website.

Send us your ad or we can design one for you. We have price points that fit every budget. Limited color advertising space is available. Call Alan Makinen at the MCIA office for more information or to reserve your ad space by August 31.

Winter Wheat and Rye

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

Winter Grain Directory in the Works: MCIA will publish a list of Minnesota Registered and Certified producers of rye and winter wheat in mid-August. Visit <https://www.mncia.org/publications> or contact the MCIA office to receive your copy.

Labeling Certified Forage and Mulch

Remember: Bales are not certified until a certification label is securely attached to each bale prior to delivery to the buyer. Misuse of certification tags may result in loss of certification privileges.

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