



BULLETIN OF THE MINNESOTA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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CALENDAR

MARCH

31 MCIA Board Meeting, St. Paul

APRIL

15 MCIA Office Closed

19–20 AOSCA Northern Region Meeting, Lafayette, IN

MAY

30 MCIA Office Closed

Foundation Seed Available

We are still accepting orders for foundation seed of barley, oats, soybeans, and wheat. Please include full payment when ordering.

MN-Rothsay Invoices

When you receive your invoice for MN-Rothsay please pay it promptly so that we can get pickup receipts out to you and the distributor in a timely manner.

Foundation 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.



Vernal Equinox: March 20

ATTENTION: Repackaging Certified Seed Procedures

When repackaging certified seed and retesting is required, follow the procedures described in the *Seed Certification Handbook*, pages 18 through 19.

When repackaging certified seed and retesting is not required, a Lot Number Change Request Form must be submitted in order for certification to be valid on the repackaged lot. This form can be found on the Client Resources page of the MCIA website: www.mncia.org/resources. Look under Certification Services, Seed Certification Program, Labeling & Transferring Seed.

For seed certified by another state, be sure to include the original certification label with analysis results.

MCIA staff is available to answer any questions you have. Please contact the MCIA office or your field supervisor.

Ready for Spring?

The demand for your small grain seed may be slow, but don't wait to get your seed tested. The Seed Laboratory is busy, and it will take at least 7 days to get test results before issuing final reports, bulk certificates, and tags. You don't want to be waiting for a test when it is planting time.

A few other items to keep in mind:

- Update your germination. If you have carryover seed, be sure the label has a germination test date that complies with the seed law.
- Submit a Sampling Report with all samples, complete with field numbers, lot size, number of bags or totes, and tests requested.
- Be sure you received a passed seed certification report before any tags or bulk certificates are issued.
- Always tag or issue bulk certificates for the seed you distribute.
- Resolve any issues about eligibility of seed source before planting.
- Retain your tags or bulk certificate as proof of seed source for your field inspection application.

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