



BULLETIN OF THE MINNESOTA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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#### **AUGUST**

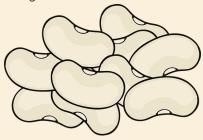
- 17 Marbleseed Field Day, Circadian Organics, Ferryville, WI
- Marbleseed Field Day, Hermit Creek Farm, High Bridge, WI
- 24 Minnesota State Fair, open through Sept. 4, St. Paul

### **SEPTEMBER**

4 MCIA Office Closed

#### Seed Lab Reminders

- ✓ Be sure to include a Sampling Report with every sample submitted for testing. Whether it be for a retest or a germ update, a Sampling Report is necessary for recording date received, assigning a lab number, tests requested, as well as any other pertinent information regarding your seed lot.
- ✓ 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.



# **INSPECTION REMINDERS**

**Soybeans:** 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.

**Small Grains:** You can still have your small grain field inspected. To add a field contact your field supervisor.

## Carryover Seed Listing in the MCIA Directory

The 2024 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, which is located on the Client Resources page of the MCIA website, listed under Certification Services, Seed Certification Program. You may also simply send MCIA the following information: *Crop, Variety, Seed Class, Name, Address, Telephone Number.* 

## **Advertise in the Directory**

Are you looking for opportunities to promote your business? If so, consider advertising in the 2024 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. Find rates and specifications on the Publications page of the MCIA website: www.mncia.org/publications. The deadline for ad reservations is September 1. For more information contact Alan Makinen at alan.makinen@mncia.org.

### Winter Wheat and Rye

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

Winter Grain Directory Published: MCIA recently published a list of Minnesota Registered and Certified producers of rye, triticale, winter barley, and winter wheat. Visit the Publications page of the MCIA website to view the digital edition or contact the MCIA office to request a printed 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. To request certification tags, complete the tag request located at the bottom of your Inspection Certificate and return it to the MCIA Office.

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