



The Seed Source

Newsletter of Kansas Crop Improvement Association

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Important Dates

July 25 - Application for Field Inspection on Fall-Inspected crops due.

July 27 - KCIA Board of Directors Meeting

July 28—KSIA Summer Meeting, Manhattan

September 1 - Payment for Fall-Inspected Crops due.

September 5 - Labor Day, KCIA Office closed.

Reminders

Bulk Retail Facility renewal or new applications.

Bulk Distribution Center Renewal or new registrations

The Seed Source

If you would like to receive "The Seed Source" via email, please contact us at kscrop@kansas.net

If You Haven't Done So, Its Time To Create Your Seed Dashboard Account

KCIA has launched its new certified seed lot management dashboard. It is important to get your account created and to get familiar with the program. If you currently utilize our seed test dashboard, do not create a new account as you already have access. The dashboard is not difficult to learn, though it does represent a different way to track activity and of record keeping. There are videos on the KCIA website to help you easily master the program.

Until you set up your own shortcut, the easiest way to access the dashboard is to go to www.kscrop.org and click the "Seed Lab / Lot Mgmt" button.

Your current inventory of carryover seed-on-hand has been uploaded. You can immediately begin managing your inventory by consolidating like lots or archiving seed lots you've discarded. As your new crop is submitted for testing you can track the status of your submitted samples under seed testing. Once your submitted samples receive a PASSED purity status and our office enters the weight submitted on the Form D, they will be added to your seed lot management page as pending. When germination is also PASSED for that sample it will then be added to your active lots for your management.

Your KCIA staff has worked diligently with the programmer to assure the dashboard is easy to become familiar with and to use. It is inevitable that there will be glitches we have not recognized, but the program is a good one, and with feedback from our members, we will continue to improve the program to the best benefit of all.

Out-of-state transfers and resales will not be a part of the new program at this time. Likewise, in-state (dirty) transfers are not currently part of the program because these involve pre-certified seed. These transactions for the time being will be handled as in the past and forms will be required from KCIA. Included with this newsletter is a new form for interstate transfers. It can be used for seed coming or going, but is not valid until received by the KCIA office and assigned a serial number. Call/email with any questions if you are moving bulk seed across state lines.

Please review the videos on our website. They give a thorough overview of the program. We have broken them down into 5 short videos totaling about 35 minutes. They should suffice to get started but as always, we are but a phone call away.

The dashboard will either completely eliminate your year-end distribution report, or greatly reduce the physical paperwork submitted to KCIA, depending on the type of activities you conduct during the season.

If you do not begin using the seed management dashboard, the KCIA staff can enter your tracking for you. You will continue on paper copies and send your Distribution Reports in December at which time you will be assessed a \$100.00 charge per D number. Incomplete or late reports will have no change to the existing penalties.

Bulk Retail Facilities

Now is the time to renew your facility status to prepare for selling season. The renewal/application form can be found under Certification Resources > Forms and Manuals under the *Applications* heading at our website.

Renewals do not require an on-site inspection. New facilities do.

If renewing, and there has been a change of management, contact KCIA to schedule training.

Your renewal should note the change in management in the past year.

Ship Your CSI Samples Safely

Every year we receive samples like these—barely still inside broken boxes or spilling out of bags.



Remember to use boxes in strong enough condition to survive the hazards of shipping, to tape the tops of Ziploc bags shut if you chose not to use KCIA provided cloth bags, and stuff enough firm packing paper around so they can't shift within their boxes. Luckily in the examples pictured above the USPS didn't let any bags slip away and the Ziploc that popped open wasn't joined by another failed seal and co-mingled.

To speed up processing of your samples, first of all, don't wait! Send your carryover in now for regerm. Second, send completed test request forms to avoid phone call clarification delays. And finally, the lab techs will thank you to write your D number/lot number on the bag and pack the forms nearby and not to bury your Form D inside the seed sample, so they avoid time spent carefully extracting paper from a bulging seed sample bag during intake.

Small grain seed quality is looking good for the samples received so far. Test weights have been very good and we have not seen any concerns with Fusarium Head Scab infected seed. In addition to the normal quality testing services provided, we remind you that we are authorized to conduct herbicide trait testing for Clearfield Confirm and Axigen varieties and those tests can be done on your final 10-pound certification sample or a separate sample. Finally, if you are new to the KCIA Dashboard, in addition to managing your seed lot information for certification, you have all of your lab testing information at your fingertips as well. Simply click on the "Seed Tests" menu item to view status and results of samples submitted for testing.

KSIA Summer Meeting and Hootie Open Golf Tournament

The KSIA Summer Conference is Thursday July 28, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Manhattan, KS. Registration begins at 8:30 am.

KSIA holds the Hootie Open Benefit Golf tournament as part of the Summer Conference. The tournament is Wednesday July 27, at Colbert Hills, Manhattan with tee-off at 8:00 am. Contact KSIA to play or sponsor.

For more information visit www.kansasseed.net.

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