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# Aflatoxin Testing Illinois Indiana Michigan Ohio

The impact of high levels of aflatoxin varies from a discount in price to the requirement to destroy the grain.

If you think your insured crop has aflatoxin, contact your crop insurance agent **before** you:

- harvest the grain;
- put the grain in storage; or
- deliver it for sale.

Your insurance provider will:

- take samples for testing; and
- submit them to an approved aflatoxin testing facility.

Because aflatoxin can worsen in storage, aflatoxin losses are only insurable if:

- the grain is tested at an approved testing facility **before** being moved into commercial or on-farm storage; or
- your insurance provider asks you to leave representative sample areas of the unharvested crop for taking samples for testing.

Losses not covered under the crop insurance policy include:

- losses due to increases in the aflatoxin level while in farm storage.
- losses that cannot be determined because proper testing was not completed.

Refer to the applicable Special Provisions of Insurance for the most current policy on testing.

# **Criteria for Approved Testing Facilities**

Testing facilities meeting the criteria below can be considered "approved testing facilities" for crop insurance.

**1.** A certified facility must be able to perform quantitative tests on grain, itemizing results in

parts per million (ppm) and parts per billion (ppb). Test kits used must be certified by the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

**2.** The facility must be a recognized commercial, government, or university testing lab that uses industry-recognized sample sizes, equipment, and procedures for testing aflatoxin.

**3.** The facility must be a disinterested testing facility. The facility must not be involved in buying or selling the type of grain that is being tested.

Talk to your crop insurance provider for more information.

# **Approved Testing Facilities**

Following is a list of certified testing facilities for aflatoxin in **Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan.** This is not a complete list and should only serve as a guide.

#### Cairo Grain Inspection Agency, Inc.

4007 Sycamore Street Cairo, IL 62914-1037 (618) 734-0689

## **Central Illinois Grain Inspection, Inc.**

P.O. Box 3631 Bloomington, IL 61702-3631 (309) 827-7121

**Champaign-Danville Grain Inspection Departments, Inc.** 2002 N. Linview

Urbana, IL 61801 (217) 344-9306

**Columbus Grain Inspection, Inc.** P.O. Box 157 Circleville, OH 43113-0157 (740) 474-3519

This fact sheet gives only a general overview of the crop insurance program and is not a complete policy. For further information and an evaluation of your risk management needs, contact a crop insurance agent.

**Decatur Grain Inspection, Inc.** 3460 E. William, Suite 1 Decatur, IL 62521-1649 (217) 429-2466

Detroit Grain Inspection Service, Inc. P.O. Box 176 Emmett, MI 48022-0176 (810) 395-2105

East Indiana Grain Inspection, Inc. 7020 North Walnut Street Muncie, IN 47303-9796 (765) 744-6425

Eastern Iowa Grain Inspection and Weighing Service 1908 South Stark Street Davenport, IA 52802-2429 (563) 322-7149

### Frankfort Grain Inspection, Inc.

5233 N. County Road, 200E Frankfort, IN 46041-8061 (765) 258-3624

#### J. W. Barton Grain Inspection Service, Inc.

2115 Barton Ave. Owensboro, KY 42303-0180 (270) 683-0616

## John R. McCrea Agency, Inc.

PO Box 166 Clinton, IA 52733-0166 (815) 589-9955

## **Keokuk Grain Inspection Service**

2626 Belmont Rd. Keokuk, IA 52632-9822 (319) 524-6482

Indianapolis Grain Inspection & Weighing Service 9332 E. 10th Street Indianapolis, IN 46229-2505 (317) 899-2337

#### Kankakee Grain Inspection, Inc.

P.O. Box 328 Essex, IL 60935-0328 (815) 365-2268

#### Michigan Grain Inspection Services, Inc.

P.O. Box 465 Marshall, MI 490-0465 (269) 781-2711

#### **Northeast Indiana Grain Inspection, Inc.** 2405 W 1100 N

Decatur, IN 46733-8728 (260) 341-7496

#### **Ohio Valley Grain Inspection, Inc.**

P.O. Box 6532 Evansville, IN 47719-0532 (812) 423-9010

#### Springfield Grain Inspection, Inc.

1301 North Fifteenth Street Springfield, IL 62702-4132 (217) 522-5233

#### **Titus Grain Inspection, Inc.**

1111 East County Road 800 North West Lafayette, IN 47906-9006 (765) 497-2202

#### **Tri-State Grain Inspection Service, Inc.**

3906 River Road Cincinnati, OH 45204-1066 (513) 251-6571

#### **For More Information**

See the GIPSA Web site: http://www.gipsa.usda.gov

#### **Regional Contact**

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