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This handbook provides procedures and instructions for administering the Peanut crop insurance program.

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1 General Information

A. Purpose

The purpose of this handbook is to provide supplementary instructions for establishing Peanut (PT) crop insurance coverage in accordance with the PT CP (15-PT-075), PT LASH (FCIC-20075L), and the CIH (FCIC-18010). The supplemental RMA-issued standards for this crop and crop year are in effect as of the signature date for this crop handbook at www.rma.usda.gov/handbooks/20000/index.html.

This handbook remains in effect until superseded by reissuance of either the entire handbook or selected portions (through amendments, bulletins, or FADs). If amendments are issued for a handbook, the original handbook as amended shall constitute the handbook. A bulletin or FAD can supersede either the original handbook or subsequent amendments.

B. Authority

The PT Crop Insurance Program is approved by the FCIC Board of Directors under Section 508(h) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act.

C. Program Duration

The PT Crop Insurance Program is available until cancelled by the FCIC Board of Directors.

2 Responsibilities

A. AIPs

AIPs must use standards, procedures, methods and instructions as authorized by FCIC in the sale and service of crop insurance policies. Each AIP is responsible for using RMA approved procedures. Procedures herein must be administered on a policy basis.

B. Insured

To be eligible for the PT Crop Insurance Program, insureds must comply with all terms and conditions of the BP and PT CP.

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PART 2 STANDARDS AND INSTRUCTIONS

11 General Rules

A. The PT Crop Insurance Program is a program providing coverage to peanut producers under the YP, RP, and RPHPE plans of insurance. In general, the FCIC 18010 CIH for Category B crops applies to peanuts. The terminology and instructions contained in the CIH Parts 1-13, 16, 20-21 and applicable exhibits that apply to the AIP and the insured apply to the PT program.

B. Related Handbooks

The following table provides handbooks closely related to this handbook. However, other RMA approved handbooks may refer to this handbook and be applicable.

Handbook	Relation/Purpose
CIH	Provides overall general underwriting (not crop specific) process.

- (1) Procedures, terms, abbreviations, and definitions general (not crop specific) are identified in the CIH.
- (2) Procedures, terms, abbreviations, and definitions specific to PT are identified as additions or exceptions in this handbook.

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PART 3 CROP INSURNCE HANDBOOK

21 CIH Applicability

Changes and additions to the CIH for PT are described in this part. All other applicable CIH procedures apply.

22 CIH Part 7, Section 4, Whole Farm Units, Paragraph 745, Availability

Whole farm units are not available for peanuts. [See section 2 of the PT CP.]

23 CIH Part 16, Section 1, Paragraph 1614, Peanuts

A. Insurability Requirements

- (1) For peanuts insured under the YP plan, the peanut policy allows insurance coverage based on the price(s) contained in a Sheller Contract(s), not to exceed 120 percent of the FCIC issued projected price. Such prices (after any applicable limit has been applied) will be used to determine the weighted average projected price, by type, for the policy. Each Sheller Contract must have a Peanut Sheller Warehouse code (AIPs must assure their agents have the most recent Peanut Sheller Warehouse Codes for properly coding acreage records by type and unit).
- (2) The weighted average projected price is established on a type basis and applies to any insured unit containing that type.
- (3) The election to use the weighted average projected price is effectively made when the insured provides a Sheller Contract (s) to the AIP and reports the required sheller contract information on the acreage report. When the weighted average projected price is elected:
 - (a) the insured must report the contracted pounds and contract price associated with each contract, by type, for each applicable unit(s);
 - (b) record the contract price(s) on the acreage report, by the applicable unit(s) and type(s), corresponding to the Peanut Sheller Warehouse Code;
 - (c) such information is required to report and calculate the liability using the weighted average projected price for the insured peanut type; and
 - (d) if conditions occur within the unit that requires additional records (such as late planting, PP, P/T, or share), report the total guarantee and liability/premium record. [See Appendix III.]
- (4) If the insured does not qualify or does not elect to use the weighted average projected price, the projected price issued by RMA will apply to the insured peanut crop.

24 CIH, Exhibit 2A, Definitions

The following definitions are specific to the PT Crop Insurance Program and revise the applicable definitions contained in the CIH.

24 CIH, Exhibit 2A, Definitions (Continued)

<u>Commodity Exchange Price Provisions - (CEPP-PEANUTS)</u> – In lieu of the definition in the Basic Provisions, means a part of the policy that is used for peanuts crops for which revenue protection is available, regardless of whether the insured elects revenue protection or yield protection for the insured peanut crop. This document includes the information necessary to derive the projected price and the harvest price for the insured crop, as applicable.

Harvest price – means a price determined in accordance with the CEPP-PEANUTS and used to value production to count for revenue protection.

Projected price – means in lieu of the definition in the Basic Provisions, the price for each insurable type of peanuts determined in accordance with the CEPP-PEANUTS. The projected price will be used for the insured crop regardless of whether the insured elects to obtain revenue protection or yield protection for such crop, unless the insured elects the weighted average projected price applicable to the insured's peanuts grown under a sheller contract.

Weighted average projected price – means the weighted average price applicable for each insurable type of peanuts:

- (a) Insured under the yield protection plan;
- (b) Grown for sale under a sheller contract;
- (c) That is elected by the insured; and
- (d) Determined as provided in section 3(c) of the Crop Provisions).

<u>Yield Protection Guarantee (per acre)</u> – In lieu of the definition in the Basic Provisions, when yield protection is selected for a crop that has revenue protection available, means the amount determined by multiplying the production guarantee by the insured's projected price or weighted average projected price, as applicable.

25 CIH, Exhibit 2B, Crop Policy Information

Add the following information for PT to the crop policy information table, Exhibit 2B, for crops insurable under the YP, RP, and RPHPE plans of insurance. The PT entries are not applicable under the Crop Policy Information table for APH Crops and are removed.

CROP POLICY INFORMATION								
APH CROPS	FCIC		Срор				UNIT(S): Basic (B) Optional	HIGH-
	POLICY	CROP PROVISIONS	- CROP CATEGORY, APH YIELD TOLERANCE ¹³	LP/PP	¹² Replant	UNIT OF MEASURE	(O) ¹² ENTERPRISE (E) WHOLE FARM (W) ¹⁴	RISK LAND EX. OPT. ¹⁵
<mark>Peanuts</mark>	<mark>11 BR</mark>	<mark>07-075</mark>	<mark>B−5%</mark>	LP/PP	<mark>¥es</mark>	lbs.	<mark>⊖/₿/</mark> Е	<mark>Yes¹⁵</mark>

CROP POLICY INFORMATION									
	FCIC		CROP				UNIT(S): BASIC (B) Optional	HIGH-	
YP, ¹² RP, ¹² RPHPE CROPS	POLICY	CROP PROVISIONS	CROP CATEGORY, APH YIELD TOLERANCE ¹³	LP/PP	¹² REPLANT	UNIT OF MEASURE	(O) ¹² ENTERPRISE (E) WHOLE FARM (W) ¹⁴	RISK LAND EX. OPT. ¹⁵	
Peanuts	11-BR	<mark>15-PT-075</mark>	<mark>B 5%</mark>	LP/PP	Yes	<mark>lbs.</mark>	<mark>O/B/E</mark>	Yes ¹⁵	

¹⁴WU(s) are available if the insured has a Revenue Protection plan of insurance policy or a Revenue Protection with Harvest Price Exclusion plan of insurance policy in effect, unless prohibited by the CP, SP. WU are only available for "Yield Protection" if allowed by the SP.

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