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RICE LOSS ADJUSTMENT STANDARDS HANDBOOK

2021 and Succeeding Crop Years

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TITLE: RICE LOSS ADJUSTMENT STANDARDS HANDBOOK	NUMBER: FCIC-25410-1
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REASON FOR ISSUANCE

Major changes: See changes or additions in text which have been highlighted. Three stars (***) identify information that has been removed.

1. Paragraph 11: Clarified insurability requirements that are required via CP and others that may be applicable via SP; renumbered items accordingly.
2. Exhibit 4, items 22-28: Updated “three-digit code number” to “three-digit code”.
3. Exhibit 4 60b: Corrected example to show 3-digit decimal.

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CONTROL CHART

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FILING INSTRUCTIONS

The handbook pages listed in the Control Chart above under the “Insert” heading replace such pages in the 2020 Rice Loss Adjustment Standards Handbook, FCIC-25410 (11-2019). This handbook is effective for the 2021 and succeeding crop years and is not retroactive to any 2020 or prior crop year determinations.

PART 2 POLICY INFORMATION

The AIP determines the insured has complied with all policy provisions of the insurance contract. The CP, which are to be considered in this determination include (but are not limited to):

11 Insurability

The following may not be a complete list of insurability requirements. Refer to the BP, CP, and SP for a complete list.

(1) The CP contain the following insurability requirements:

- (a)** The crop insured will be all the rice in the county grown on insurable acreage for which premium rates are provided by the actuarial documents or by WA:
 - (i)** In which the insured has a share;
 - (ii)** That is planted for harvest as grain;
 - (iii)** That is flood irrigated, unless otherwise specified in the SP. Refer to the CP for the definition of “flood irrigation,” and to the SP for definitions and insurability requirements of alternative irrigation practices, if applicable ***; and
 - (iv)** That is not wild rice.
- (b)** The crop will not be insurable on any acreage planted to rice:
 - (i)** The preceding crop year unless allowed by the SP; or
 - (ii)** That does not meet the rotation requirements shown in the SP.
- (c)** Loss of production due to application of saline water is not an insurable cause of loss, except as specified in the CP. Failure of the irrigation water supply is an insured cause of loss, if during the insurance period drought, intrusion of saline water or another insured peril, as specified in the CP, caused the failure. Refer to the LAM regarding instructions on irrigation.
- (d)** Any acreage of the insured crop damaged before the final planting date, to the extent that producers in the area would normally not further care for the crop, must be replanted unless the AIP agrees that it is not practical to replant. Refer to the BP for the definition of practical to replant, and the LAM for replanting provision issues. Refer to Part 3 herein, for replanting payment procedures.

11 Insurability (Continued)

(2) The SP for some states/counties may contain additional insurability requirements. Refer to the SP for applicability of the following requirements:

- (a) For rice to be considered an insured crop, the following must have occurred no later than the 1st tiller stage of rice plant development:
 - (i) the irrigation pump is operable; and
 - (ii) the requirements stated in the definition of flood irrigation in the CP or the definitions of intermittent-flood irrigation or furrow irrigation in the SP, if applicable, have been met.
- (b) Failure to obtain a stand of rice adequate to produce at least the yield used to determine the production guarantee or amount of insurance because the insured did not apply surface irrigation or “flush” of the acreage in accordance with practices generally recognized by agricultural experts for the area will not be a covered cause of loss in accordance with the BP.

Surface Irrigation or “Flush” of the acreage cannot occur unless requirements in (a) have been met.

(3) Refer to the CP for insurable causes of loss.

12 Unit Division

Refer to the insurance contract for unit provisions. Unless limited by the CP or SP, a basic unit, as defined in the BP, may be divided into optional units if, for each optional unit, all of the conditions stated in the applicable provisions are met. Provisions in the BP that allow optional units by irrigated and non-irrigated practices are not applicable.

For information on Enterprise, Multi-County Enterprise, and Whole-Farm units, refer to the CIH and the LAM.

Form Standards – Production Worksheet (Continued)

Element/Item Number	Description
19. Determined Acres (continued)	<p>(1) Determine the planted acreage of any fields or subfields not replanted. Consolidate it into a single line entry unless the usual reasons for separate line entries apply. Record the field or subfield identities (from a map or aerial photo) in the Narrative.</p> <p>(2) Account for all planted acreage in the unit.</p> <p>Preliminary and Final: Determined acres to tenths. Acreage breakdowns within a unit or field may be estimated (refer to the LAM) if a determination is impractical.</p> <p>Account for all planted acreage in the unit.</p>
20. Interest or Share	Insured's interest in the crop to three decimal places as determined at the time of inspection. If shares vary on the same unit, use separate line entries.
21. Risk	<p>Three-digit code for the correct "Rate" specified on the actuarial documents. If a "Rate" or "High Risk Area" is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry. Verify with the Summary of Coverage and if the "Rate" is found to be incorrect, revise according to the AIP's instructions. Refer to the LAM.</p> <p>Unrated land is uninsurable without a WA.</p>
22. Type	***Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the type grown by the insured. If "No Type Specified" is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If a type is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.
23. Class	***Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the class grown by the insured. If "No Class Specified" is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If a class is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.
24. Sub-Class	***Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the sub-class grown by the insured. If "No Sub-Class Specified" is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If a sub-class is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.
25. Intended Use	***Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the intended use of the crop grown by the insured. If "No Intended Use Specified" is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If an intended use is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.

Form Standards – Production Worksheet (Continued)

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26. Irr. Practice	<p>*** Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the irrigated practice carried out by the insured. If “No Irrigated Practice Specified” is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If an irrigated practice is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.</p>																
27. Cropping Practice	<p>*** Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the cropping practice (or practice) carried out by the insured. If “No Cropping Practice Specified” or “No Practice Specified” is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If a cropping practice is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.</p>																
28. Organic Practice	<p>*** Three-digit code, entered exactly as specified on the actuarial documents for the organic practice carried out by the insured. If “No Organic Practice Specified” is shown in the actuarial documents, enter the appropriate three-digit code from the actuarial documents (e.g., 997). If an organic practice is not specified on the actuarial documents, make no entry.</p>																
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60b. Factor (continued)	<p>Example for test weight not shown on the chart: Rice with a test weight of 56.0 pounds stored in a less than 255 Sq. Ft. bin. 56.0 (actual test weight) \times 1.228 (last available factor) \div 55.0 (last available test weight) = 1.250.</p>
61. Adjusted Production	<p>For weighed production, the result of multiplying columns 56 x 58b x 59b, rounded to the nearest whole pound.</p> <p>For farm-stored production, the result of multiplying columns 56 x 58b x 59b x 60b, rounded to the nearest whole pound.</p>
62. Prod. Not to Count	<p>Net production not to count, in whole pounds, when acceptable records identifying such production are available, from harvested acreage which has been assessed an appraisal of not less than the guarantee per acre, or from other sources (e.g., other units or uninsured acreage) in the same storage structure (if the storage entries include such production).</p> <p>This entry must never exceed production shown on the same line. Explain the total bin contents (bin grain depth, etc.) and any “Production Not to Count” in the Narrative.</p> <p>Make no entry if only the depth for production to count has been entered in column 51, and the depth for production not to count has been entered in the Narrative. Refer to the example in the LAM.</p>
63. Production Pre-QA	Result of subtracting column 62 from column 61.
64a. Value	<p>Refer to paragraph 13, Quality Adjustment.</p> <p>(1) Enter the price (value) per pound, to four decimal places, of the damaged or conditioned rice that, due to insurable causes, does not meet one or more of the quality standards as stated in the CP and the Official United States Standards, for the applicable type of rice. Refer to the LAM for details on determining prices (values).</p> <p>(2) QA is allowable for red rice infestation on the first year of infestation. The second and succeeding years of infestation, efforts must be made to control the red rice. Document, in the Narrative or on a Special Report, the control method(s) used during any year of infestation.</p>
64b. Mkt. Price	If an entry is in column 64a, enter the applicable LMP per pound, to four decimal places, on the earlier of the day the loss is adjusted (final inspection) or the day the rice was sold.

Form Standards – Production Worksheet (Continued)

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65. Quality Factor	For mature, harvested rough rice that, due to insurable causes, fails to meet one or more of the quality standards as stated in the CP and the Official United States Standards, divide the price of the damaged or conditioned production per pound (64a) by the LMP per pound (64b). Enter the result rounded to three decimal places and explain in the Narrative. Refer to paragraph 13 if, due to insured causes, a Federal or State agency has ordered the appraised crop or production to be destroyed.
66. Production to Count	Enter result from multiplying column 63 times column 65, rounded to whole pounds. If no entry in column 65, transfer entry from column 63.
67. Total	Total of column 63. If no entry in column 63, make no entry.

For items 68-72. When separate line entries are made for varying shares, stages, APH yields, price elections, types, etc., within the unit, and totals need to be kept separate for calculating indemnities, make no entry and follow the AIP's instructions. Otherwise, make the following entries.

Element/Item Number	Description
68. Section II Total	Preliminary and Replant: Make no entry. Final: Total of Column 66, to whole pounds.
69. Section I Total	Preliminary and Replant: Make no entry. Final: Enter figure from Section I, column 38 total.
70. Unit Total	Preliminary and Replant: Make no entry. Final: Total of 68 and 69, to whole pounds.
71. Allocated Prod.	Refer to the LAM for instructions for determining allocated production. Enter the total production, rounded to whole pounds, allocated to this unit that is included in Section I or II of the PW. Document how allocated production was determined and record supporting calculations in the Narrative or on a Special Report.
72. Total APH Prod.	Result of subtracting the total of column 37 (item 42 "Totals") and item 71 (Allocated Prod.) from item 70 (Unit Total). If no entries in item 37 and item 71, transfer the entry in item 70. Make no entry when separate APH yields are maintained by type, practice, etc., within the unit.