

## Dates & Events

**NCIA Office Hours**  
7:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30

### November 26-27

NCIA Office Closed

### December 1

Sales Reports Due-Winter  
Small Grains

### December 1

Sales Reports Due-Grass

### December 11

NCIA Board of Directors  
Meeting - Lincoln

### December 24-31

NCIA Office Closed

### January 1, 2020

NCIA Office Closed

### January 11-13, 2021

Nebraska Seed  
Improvement Conference -  
Younes Conference  
Center, Kearney, NE -  
**Attendance will  
complete your  
Continuing Ed Credits**

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## NCIA Standards Highlights

### Labeling Bagged Certified Seed

A seed lot will **not** be recognized as certified seed if it is received by the seed consumer without official certification labels as follows:

### Certification Labels

- a. All classes of certified seed offered for sale in bags or bulk bags that are sealed must have an official certification label properly affixed (attached in a manner that prevents removal and re-attachment without tampering being obvious) to **each** bag. All official seed certification labels
  - b. must confirm to the color, size, and other specifications published in the current certification handbook of the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies.
  - c. The official certification label must clearly identify the certifying agency, variety, kind, seed class, and lot number. Certification labels may only be generated or printed by the NCIA office or from [www.nciacert.org](http://www.nciacert.org). **Labels cannot be printed until a representative sample of the lot to be labeled has met or exceeded seed certification standards for that particular crop.** (seed lab test must be completed)
  - d. Official seed certification labels must be positioned on the face side of the bag.
  - e. Unused labels must be destroyed. Unattached certification labels **can not** be mailed or handed from the seed seller to the seed consumer.
  - f. Nebraska Seed Law prohibits sale of seed with expired germination tests. See current Nebraska State Seed Law for specifics for each crop. The State Seed Laws are available from the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

## Certified Complete Test

All certified seed samples requesting a complete test will now have an all states noxious weed exam. This change will ensure all seed is eligible to sell out of state. If a noxious weed is found, all states it is noxious in would be listed on the seed analysis.

## Seed Transferred into Nebraska

Dirty seed transferred into Nebraska to be cleaned and certified will now be assessed all the same fees as seed produced in state. (sales fees and royalties)

## Harvest Weights

All 2020 fields must have their harvest weights entered into the NSTS right after harvest before samples are received.

To enter the pounds harvested from each field, **Click on "field inspections"** and then **"update field yield"**. Under left top column **"Supply Fields"** update total pounds under **"Seed (Actual)"**.

When samples are sent in for testing, we still need the total pounds represented by the seed sample. If fields are combined and a sample is submitted, include each field name and total pounds seed used from each field.

## Bulk Sales Certificates

**You are now able to update certificates completed and printed without weights.** Click on "Seed Sales" and then "Review/Print Bulk/Pending Sale Certificates". Under "View/Print/Edit" click "Edit". You can update the transfer date, if needed. Enter the total pounds sold. Once the pounds have been entered, it cannot be changed. These need to be updated before your sales disposition system can be completed correctly.

## NCIA Certified Seed Books

The 2020-2021 Certified Seed Books are printed and ready for your use. Members who would like us to send them free seed books will only be responsible for the postage.

## Seed Sample Bags

The NCIA has Seed Sample Bags available for your use. These bags are open on one end for you to put the sample in then remove the strip covering the adhesive and seal the bag. Using these bags and filling them out will help get your samples entered quickly and correctly. They are provided free of charge. If you need bags, please call the office.

## 2021 Seed Improvement Conference

The 28<sup>th</sup> annual Nebraska Seed Improvement Conference brings together the memberships of the Nebraska Crop Improvement Association and the Nebraska Seed Trade Association. It will be held January 11 - 13, 2021, at The Younes Conference Center, Kearney, NE.

## NSTS Update

The next step this year will be reporting the disposition of small grains sales. This is not yet completed but will be ready by the end of October or before. We will email step by step instruction of what you need to do to complete your disposition report. By using the NSTS for your sales it will make completing your disposition report very simple. Again, if you have a question on how to do something in the Seed Tracking System please call the office.

## Inspected Acres 2020

(does not include Foundation)

Crop	2020	2019	Change
Field Peas	1,777	3,238	-1,461
Grasses - Total	<b>445</b>	<b>458</b>	-13
Cool Season	96	28	
Warm Season	349	430	
Hybrid Corn	13,174	9,902	3,272
Millet	1,599	1,369	230
Miscellaneous	418	164	255
Oats	3,787	3,016	771
Phytosanitary	5,818	140	5,678
Soybeans - Total	<b>2,446</b>	<b>2,376</b>	70
Certified	246	94	
Quality Assurance	2,200	2,282	
Triticale (winter & spring)	2,839	2,762	-472
Wheat - Total	<b>14,764</b>	<b>19,922</b>	-5,158
Hard Red Winter	13,263	18,398	
Hard White Winter	1,082	1,324	
Hard Red Spring	419	20	
Hard White Spring	0	180	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>47,067</b>	<b>43,347</b>	<b>3,720</b>