

## Coverage for production losses caused by labour disruption due to COVID-19

This document notifies you about additional coverage for production losses caused by on-farm labour disruptions due to COVID-19 for the 2020 crop year. This is an addendum to your existing contract of insurance with Agricorp.

### Coverage

- Your 2020 Production Insurance coverage includes “labour disruption losses due to COVID-19” as an insured peril for:
  - Production shortfall indemnity for crops that have a guaranteed production
  - Abandonment indemnity for vegetable crops insured on an acreage loss basis
  - Establishment indemnity for ginseng
- The peril of labour disruption losses due to COVID-19 includes:
  - Inability to attract sufficient on-farm labour due to COVID-19
  - Illness or quarantine of on-farm labour and/or the producer due to COVID-19
- You are eligible for this coverage for the 2020 crop year only if you already have a contract of insurance with Agricorp for the 2020 crop year, have paid your premium by the required deadline, and have submitted all required documentation (e.g. reported acreage).
- There will be no additional premiums for the 2020 crop year as a result of this change. This additional coverage is provided to support the public interest in food security and the sustained economic viability of primary agriculture in Ontario. By accepting this additional coverage, you and Agricorp agree that the legal consideration for it includes the preceding interests, as well as the other mutual covenants set out herein. You and Agricorp further agree that such consideration has been given and received and that it is sufficient for the purposes of this additional coverage.
- This coverage covers labour disruption losses through the growing season for the insured crop (e.g. labour required to care for your crop) as well as labour disruptions at harvest. However, it is important to understand that this added peril will not increase the existing limits of your coverage, but will be assessed within them.
- You are eligible for this coverage regardless of the peril options you chose for the 2020 crop year. For example, if you selected single-peril coverage (e.g., hail only, frost only, or hail and frost coverage), you are covered for labour disruption losses due to COVID-19.
- Fruit, asparagus and fall-seeded crops intended to be harvested in 2020 are included, even if the 2020 harvest period has already ended.
- Other than the addition of labour disruption losses due to COVID-19 as an insured peril for 2020 as described in this document, there are no other changes to your coverage.

- The last day to enrol in Production Insurance or make coverage changes for 2020 has passed. There is no further opportunity to enrol for coverage or to change coverage levels.

## **Exclusions to coverage**

- The following labour disruption losses due to COVID-19 are excluded from coverage:
  - Labour disruption losses post-harvest, including disruption losses in a packing house or processing facility (including on-farm facilities) or to transportation of crops.
  - Losses that cannot be verified, are not directly related to the insured's operations, or that are unreasonable or unacceptable, as determined by Agricorp.
  - Loss of market for any reason, including COVID-19.
- Labour disruption losses due to COVID-19 is an insured peril only for the production shortfall indemnity, abandonment indemnity, and the establishment indemnity for ginseng. It is not an insured peril for:
  - Other claim types or benefits (e.g., unseeded acreage benefit, reseeding, emergency measures, salvage, etc.)
  - The fruit tree and grapevine rider coverage, which insures against the death of fruit trees or grapevines due to an insured peril
  - The bee health plan, although it is an insured peril for the honey plan
  - Forage, including the forage rainfall plan and new forage seeding plan
- There is no coverage for crops intended to be harvested in 2021 (i.e., planted in fall 2020 for harvest in 2021).
- Other than including this peril, there is no increase in the amount of coverage you have for the 2020 crop year. This means there is no change in your number of insured acres, your coverage level, your guaranteed production, or your abandonment threshold. There is no change in the way Agricorp will determine the production shortfall indemnity, abandonment indemnity or establishment indemnity.

## **Your requirements**

- You must notify Agricorp about crop losses caused by labour disruptions due to COVID-19. This means notifying Agricorp when yield losses occur. You do not need to notify Agricorp about illness or labour disruptions unless it results in a yield loss. Yield losses should be reported to Agricorp immediately.
- You must not abandon or destroy your crop without the prior consent from Agricorp.
- You must make a good faith effort to secure sufficient labour for the 2020 crop year. Agricorp may ask you to provide information about the steps you took to secure labour this year relative to the steps you took in previous years.
- You must follow relevant public health requirements and practices, including requirements from the Government of Ontario and from your local public health unit. Agricorp may ask you to describe the steps you took to follow these requirements and practices prior to paying an indemnity.
- In the event you or your employees are quarantined, Agricorp may ask for copies of documentation provided by your local public health unit (e.g. orders, advice, emails, etc.)
- You must continue to meet all other requirements in your contract of insurance with Agricorp.