

## **SUMMARY OF CHANGES FOR THE POTATO CERTIFIED SEED ENDORSEMENT (2001- 84C)**

The following is a brief description of changes to the Potato Crop Insurance Certified Seed Endorsement that will be effective for the 2001 crop year. Please refer to the endorsement for more complete information. These modifications include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Section 5 - Clarified to indicate that the certified seed production guarantee per acre is the same as the per acre production guarantee used under the terms of the Northern Potato Crop Provisions. Reductions for acreage increases above certain levels remain in place.
- (2) Section 8 - Revised the claim computation so that an indemnity can be paid when seed production meets the standards of the state in which it is grown, but the actual amount of production is lower than the production guarantee. Current provisions provide a payment only when production fails to meet applicable state standards for certified seed potatoes and do not take into account the actual amount of production from the insured acreage.
- (3) Section 9 - Revised to include the notice requirements when production fails certification.
- (4) Section 10 - Added to specify that acreage covered under the revised endorsement will be insured using the same unit structure as is in place for the coverage provided under the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions. In the event certified seed acreage is not grown in the same optional or basic units as acreage covered under the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions, certified seed units will be established in accordance with the unit division provisions contained in the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions. Examples are included in the endorsement for clarity.

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**Federal Crop Insurance Corporation**  
**POTATO CROP INSURANCE**  
**CERTIFIED SEED ENDORSEMENT**



1. In return for payment of the additional premium designated in the actuarial documents, this endorsement is attached to and made part of your Northern Potato Crop Provisions subject to the terms and conditions described herein. In the event of a conflict between the Northern Potato Provisions and this endorsement, this endorsement will control.
2. For the purpose of this endorsement, the term "potato certified seed program" means the state program administered by the public agency responsible for the seed certification process within the state in which the seed is produced.
3. You must elect this endorsement on or before the sales closing date for the initial crop year you wish to insure your potatoes under this endorsement. This endorsement will continue in effect until canceled. It may be canceled by either you or us for any succeeding crop year by giving written notice to the other party on or before the cancellation date.
4. All potatoes grown on insurable acreage and that are entered into the potato seed certification program administered by the state in which the seed is grown must be insured unless limited by section 5 below.
5. Your certified seed production guarantee per-acre will be the per-acre production guarantee used to cover the same acreage under the terms of the Northern Potato Crop Provisions. However, unless a written agreement provides otherwise, if the total amount of insurable certified seed acreage you have for the current crop year is greater than 125 percent of your average number of acres entered into and passing certification in the potato certified seed program in the three previous calendar years, your certified seed production guarantee for each unit will be reduced as follows:
  - (a) Multiply the average number of your acres entered into and passing certification in the potato certified seed program the 3 previous calendar years by 1.25 and divide this result by the number of acres grown by you for certified seed in the current crop year; and
  - (b) Multiply the result of section 5(a) (not to exceed 1.0) by the production guarantee for certified seed for the current crop year.
6. You must provide acceptable records of your certified seed potato acreage and production for the previous three years. These records must clearly indicate the number of your acres entered into the potato seed certification program administered by the state in which the seed is grown.
7. All potatoes insured for certified seed production must be produced and managed in accordance with standards, practices, and procedures required for certification by the state's certifying agency and applicable regulations.
8. If, due to insurable causes occurring within the insurance period, the amount of certified seed you produce is less than your certified seed production guarantee, we will settle your claim by:
  - (a) Multiplying the insured acreage by its respective certified seed production guarantee;
  - (b) Multiplying each result in section 8(a) by the dollar amount per hundredweight contained in the Special Provisions for production covered under this endorsement;
  - (c) Totaling the results of section 8(b);
  - (d) Multiplying the number of hundredweight of production that qualify as certified seed and any amount of production lost due to uninsured causes, or that does not qualify as certified seed due to uninsured causes, by the dollar amount per hundredweight contained in the Special Provisions for production covered under this endorsement;
  - (e) Subtracting the result of section 8(d) from the result of section 8(c); and
  - (f) Multiplying the result of section 8(e) by your share.
9. You must notify us of any loss under this endorsement not later than 14 days after you receive notice from the state certification agency that any acreage or production has failed certification. Nothing herein extends the insurance period beyond the time period specified in section 8 of the Northern Potato Crop Provisions and section 11 of the Basic Provisions.
10. Acreage covered under the terms of this endorsement will have the same unit structure as provided under the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions. For example, if you have two optional units (00101 and 00102) under your Northern Potato Crop Insurance Policy and you elect this endorsement, you will also have two optional units (00201 and 00202) for certified seed coverage, provided that certified seed is grown in both units 00101 and 00102. Or, if you have two basic units (00100 and 00200) under your Northern Potato Crop Insurance Policy and you elect this endorsement, you will also have two basic units (00300 and 00400) for certified seed coverage, provided that certified seed is grown in both units 00100 and 00200. In the event certified seed acreage is not grown in the same optional or basic units as acreage covered under the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions, certified seed units will be established in accordance with the unit division provisions contained in the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions. For example, if a basic unit is divided into two optional units for potato acreage covered under the Basic Provisions and the Northern Potato Crop Provisions, but certified seed is grown in only one of those optional units, the certified seed acreage will be insured as one basic unit.
11. Any production that does not qualify as certified seed because of varietal mixing or your failure to follow the standard practices and procedures required for certification will be considered as lost due to uninsured causes.