

Apples trees Plan A

2017

Individual crop insurance offers coverage based on the production volume of the participant's farming operation. **The protection is offered for the productions in biological or conventional mode.**

INSURABLE CROPS

- Group 1 : Dwarf and semi-dwarf apple trees
- Group 2 : Standard apple trees
- Group 3 : Apple trees on newly planted areas, i.e. dwarf and semi-dwarf apple trees aged five (5) years or less planted on homogeneous areas

N.B.: Producers may choose to insure only one of these groups, or a combination of the groups.

RISKS COVERED

- Drought
- Excessive wind, rain, humidity and heat
- Floods
- Frost
- Freezin rain
- Ice formation in soil and frost, from November to Apri
- Hail
- Hurricanes and tornadoes
- Snow
- Uncontrollable insects and diseases
- Wild animals against which there is no adequate means of protection, with the exception of the waterfowl provided for under the wildlife damage compensation plan of the Federal/Provincial Agriinsurance Agreement

PROTECTION OFFERED

Covers apple tree mortality

- Benefit options:
 - Group 1 and 2: **90 %, 95 %, 96 % or 97 %** of the insurable value
 - Group 3: **90 % or 96 %** of the insurable value
- Unit price options: 60 %, 80 % or 100 % \$/tree)
- Insurable value = Number of insurable apple trees x Unit price
- Start of coverage: December 1
- End of coverage: November 30 of the following year

ENROLMENT

- Enrolment deadline: **December 1 preceding the insurance year**
- Minimum insurable: For each group of insurable apple trees, **250 trees** planted before May 30 preceding the insurance year.

Farming methods

Abide by the farming methods recommended by the Ministère de l'Agriculture, des Pêcheries et de l'Alimentation du Québec or approved by La Financière agricole.

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS AND CROSS COMPLIANCE MEASURES

The program sets out eligibility conditions and cross compliance measures related to environmental standards in effect.

Participants who do not comply with these conditions or measures will lose the benefits to which they are entitled or see them reduced.

CHANGES TO CERTIFICATE

No change may be made to crop insurance coverage by the participant after the enrolment deadline.

NOTICE OF DAMAGE

When a participant's insured crops are damaged, the participant must **immediately** notify La Financière agricole and **at the latest 2 business days before the before removal of trees or the execution of the urgent works.**

COMPENSATION

Emergency measures

Emergency measures may be authorized by La Financière agricole to mitigate or avoid a drop in yield.

Abandonment

Abandonment may be authorized at any time in the season provided a representative from La Financière agricole is able to appraise the damage in the field. The damage must meet certain criteria:

Minimum area: **entire lot or an undivided area regrouping 250 trees of a same group.**

Abandonment threshold: **Abandonment is authorized when at least 75 % of trees are lost**

GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION

Administrative costs are fully assumed by the governments. The Government of Canada pays 60 % of costs and the Government of Québec pays 40 % of costs.

The financing of the premium is assumed by the governments (60 %) and the participant (40 %), for all benefit options.

This coverage summary in no way takes precedence over the provisions of the Crop Insurance Program, of the regulation in effect and of the agreements with the Government of Canada.

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