

## Market Garden Crops - 2014 – Perennial Vegetables –

Individual crop insurance offers you personalized coverage, tailored to the needs of your farming enterprise. It is based on **your own production volume**.

### INSURABLE CROPS

<b>Categories</b>	<b>Crops</b>
Perennial vegetables:	Asparagus and rhubarb

### RISKS COVERED

#### Plan A

- Excessive wind, rain, humidity and heat
- Floods
- Frost, hail, snow, hurricanes, tornadoes, drought
- Ice formation in the soil from November to April
- Uncontrollable insects and diseases
- Wild animals against which there is no adequate means of protection, with the exception of the waterfowl provided for through the damage compensation plan of the Federal/Provincial Agriinsurance Agreement

#### Plan B

- Hail

#### Plan C (plant mortality)

- Ice formation in the soil from November to April
- Uncontrollable insects and diseases

#### Plan D

- Late frost (spring) and early frost (fall)

### PROTECTION OFFERED

*Benefit options:*

Plan A: **60%, 70%, 80% or 80% with abandonment** of the total insurable yield.

Plan B: **60%, 70%, 80%, 80% with abandonment or 85%** of the total insurable yield.

Plan C: **95%** of the total insurable value.

Plan D: **60%, 70%, 80%, 80% with abandonment or 85%** of the total insurable yield.

*Deductibles:* **40%, 30%, 20%, 15% or 5%** according to the benefit option chosen.

*Unit price options:* **100%, 80% or 60%**<sup>1</sup>

<p><b>Total insurable yield =</b> Probable yield x Number of insurable units</p>
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<p><b>Total insurable value =</b> Total insurable yield x Unit price</p>
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*Probable yield:* Based on your farming enterprise, expressed in kilograms per hectare or units per hectare, depending on each crop.

*Unit price:* Based on the production cost.

*Start of coverage:*

<sup>1</sup> Plans A, B et D : \$/kg (asparagus and rhubarb)  
Plan C : \$/1 000 crowns (asparagus)  
\$/1 000 roots (rhubarb)

- Plan A: November 1 preceding the insurance year.
- Plans B and D: April 30.
- Plan C:
  - November 1 preceding the insurance year for second year plants and over;
  - April 30 for the first planting year.

*End of coverage:*

- Plans A, B and D: **At harvest completion.**
- Plan C: **October 31.**

### FINANCING OF THE PREMIUM

The financing of the premium for the Crop Insurance Program, assumed by the governments and the participant, varies according to the different benefit options.

Benefit option	Contribution	
	Gouvernements	Participant
60 %	80 %	20 %
70 %	70 %	30 %
80 %	60 %	40 %
80 % with abandonment	56,2 %	43,8 %
85 %	60 %	40 %
95 %	60 %	40 %

The governments cost-share in a proportion of 60% for Canada and 40% for Québec.

### FINANCING OF ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

The costs inherent in administering the Crop Insurance Program are shared in a proportion of 60% by the Government of Canada and 40% by the Government of Québec.

### ENROLMENT

*Deadline for enrolment:*

- Plan A: November 1 preceding the insurance year (November 15 this year)
- Plans B and D: April 30.
- Plan C:
  - November 1 preceding the insurance year for second year plants and over;
  - April 30 for the first planting year.

*Specific terms:*

- Minimum area: **1.0 hectare per crop**
- Area accepted following an inspection
- Insure all crops covering one hectare and over included in a same subcategory. However, if the area of the crop to be insured is at least 5 hectares, it is possible to insure only that crop
- Abide by the standards recommended by the Centre de référence en agriculture et agroalimentaire du Québec or approved by La Financière agricole

**CROSS COMPLIANCE MEASURES**

- When the Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement, de la Faune et des Parcs (MDDEFP) transmits information to La Financière agricole establishing that the participant did not submit a valid phosphorus report as stipulated under the Agricultural Operations Regulation (AOR), the participant loses the right to any compensation for the current insurance year for all the insured products. Moreover, the participant will be required to pay, as an administrative fee, an amount equal to the contribution that would have been due for all the participant's insured products.

The provisions related to the phosphorus report concern all the raising or spreading sites owned, leased or on which the operation custom produces. It targets all the operation's productions, whether or not they are covered by a program at La Financière agricole .

*For more information on the requirements related to the phosphorus report, participants should consult an agrologist or the regional office of the MDDEFP.*

- In accordance with the AOR, La Financière agricole excludes from insurable areas those on which it is prohibited to cultivate crops. This measure may concern in particular areas that have been deforested and used for agricultural purposes while on the territory of one of the municipalities listed in the AOR.
- In accordance with the Protection Policy for Lakeshores, Riverbanks, Littoral Zones and Floodplains, La Financière agricole excludes from insurable areas those cultivated within a three-metre strip of vegetation with respect to riverbanks.

**CHANGES TO CERTIFICATE**

La Financière agricole must be informed of any changes to your agricultural program that could modify your insurance certificate.

Deadline for modifications: August 1.

Participants cannot change their crop insurance coverage after the enrolment deadline when this deadline is November 1.

**NOTICE OF DAMAGE**

When damage occurs to your insured crops, you must notify La Financière agricole immediately.

Minimum period for notice of damage: **2 working days** before harvesting begins so that an appraisal can be carried out when **the crop is still standing or, as the case may be, before emergency work is carried out or the crop is destroyed.**

**Neglecting to submit a notice of damage within the prescribed timeframes can lead to a loss of the right to compensation.**

**COMPENSATION**

➤ **ABANDONMENT:**

When the crop is damaged by a risk covered by the insurance, to the extent of abandoning this crop over part or all of the affected area, abandonment compensation is paid out for the affected area when the subscriber has opted for the 80% guarantee with abandonment. Losses are estimated taking into account by considering the marketing standards and vegetable grades listed in the Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act (R.S., ch. A-8) and the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations (C.R.C., ch. 285). The compensation is calculated as follows:

$80\% \text{ of the insurable yield of the area affected} \\ \times \text{ Unit price}$
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**Abandonment can be authorized at any time during the season, as long as a La Financière agricole advisor can assess the damages while the crop is still in the field.**

Minimum area: **Entire field or 0.5 hectare (undivided).**

Salvage value and nonincurred expenses: Deducted from compensation, if any.

➤ **DROP IN YIELD:**

When damage causes a loss greater than the deductible listed on the certificate.

$\text{Indemnity} = \\ ((\text{Total insurable yield} \times \text{Benefit option}) - \text{Actual yield}) \\ \times \text{Unit price}$
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When the benefit option only covers certain risks, the loss in yield indemnified cannot exceed that attributable to these risks, as determined by La Financière agricole.

**Salvage value and nonincurred expenses: Deducted from compensation, if any.**

**APPLICATION FOR REVIEW**

Any request for a review of a final decision rendered regarding a participant's insurance file must be made in writing, explaining the motives behind the request, and sent to the Service Centre in charge of the participant's file or delivered in person to a representative of La Financière agricole within ninety (90) days from the date of the decision in question. However, program conditions and parameters or program premises, the results of collective appraisals for crop insurance losses and exclusion from programs for motives provided for in the programs may not be subject to a request for a review.

*This coverage summary in no way takes precedence over the provisions of the [Program](#), of the regulation in effect and of the agreements with the Government of Canada.*