

INSURANCE

Forage Establishment Insurance

Purpose

• Forage Establishment Insurance (FEI) provides financial assistance to Manitoba farmers if an eligible forage crop fails to establish.

Eligibility

FEI must have the seed incorporated by mechanical means. If an FEI crop is planted more than 3 days after a cover crop, MASC may inspect to verify the cover crop is not excessively damaged.

- Eligible forage crops include:
 - spring or fall plantings of any combination of alfalfa, clover, sainfoin, perennial ryegrass and other perennial grasses (excluding native grasses).
- Spring plantings must be seeded by June 25.
- Fall plantings of perennial grasses (excluding perennial ryegrass seed), alfalfa, sainfoin and clover must be seeded on or after July 25 but not later than August 15.
- Fall plantings of Perennial ryegrass seed must be seeded on or after August 10 but not later than September 5.
- Spring seeded perennial ryegrass must be seeded with a companion crop to be eligible for FEI.
- Fall seeded perennial ryegrass, alfalfa, sainfoin and clover must be planted without a companion crop to be eligible for FEI.
- All acres of new plantings of eligible forage establishment crops must be insured if FEI is selected for coverage.
- Birdsfoot trefoil, native grasses and annual ryegrass are not eligible for FEI.

Coverage

- The coverage level selections available are \$40 or \$80 per acre.

Cost

• Premium costs are shared 40 per cent by the producer, 36 per cent by the Government of Canada and 24 per cent by the Province of Manitoba.

Claims

- No FEI indemnity is paid on stands where ground cover of 75 per cent or more of tame species has been attained.
- To avoid a late penalty, claims must be registered by June 25 of the year following planting. No claims will be accepted after June 30.
- Indemnities are dependent on whether the acres were reseeded, overseeded or destroyed.
- In all cases, the crop must be inspected by MASC prior to being destroyed or overseeded in order to be eligible for a claim.

Other Program Details

- Once selected, FEI is ongoing and renews automatically each year until the producer cancels the option.

Important Dates and Deadlines

March 31 is the last day to apply for, make changes to (add or delete crops and change coverage levels) or to cancel AgrilInsurance.

June 25 is the last day to file a forage establishment claim for forages planted in the previous crop year.

June 30 is the last day to file Seeded Acreage Reports.

November 30 is the last day to file Harvested Production Reports.

For more information, contact your local MASC insurance agent or visit masc.mb.ca

Note: This information sheet contains general information only and does not form part of the AgrilInsurance Contract between an insured and MASC. In all cases, the AgrilInsurance Contract shall prevail.



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