

Stay in Compliance

The Farm Bill has re-linked crop insurance with conservation compliance provisions. There are no changes to eligibility for crop insurance; however, eligibility for premium subsidy is now based on following conservation compliance provisions. Any non-compliance will affect your eligibility for premium subsidy the next year. Specific exemptions may apply in limited situations.

Fill Out and File Form AD-1026

To comply with the HELC and WC provisions, producers must fill out and sign form AD-1026. If you have not already completed and submitted this form to USDA, go to the USDA Service Center [Farm Service Agency (FSA) county office] and file form AD-1026 certifying compliance. FSA and/or the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will communicate any additional actions that may be required for compliance.

An AD-1026 must be on file by **June 1, 2015** to be eligible for 2016 crop insurance premium subsidies. The AD-1026 form only has to be completed one time, unless changes are made to the operation.

Responsibility

Compliance with the conservation provisions will be based on FSA and NRCS determinations/records. However it is the producer's responsibility to make sure their records are correct with FSA and NRCS. Also, producers should ensure their personal identification information (name, tax ID, etc.) are the same with FSA and RMA so accurate determinations of eligibility for premium subsidy can be made.

For More Information

- ⇒ Go to: <http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app> to find your local USDA Service Center.
- ⇒ Go to: www.rma.usda.gov/tools/agent.html to find an insurance agent.
- ⇒ Go to: www.rma.usda.gov/aboutrma/fields/rsos.html to find your RMA regional office.

Do's and Don'ts



DO file a certification of compliance, form AD-1026, with your local USDA Service Center.



Do **NOT** produce an agricultural commodity on highly erodible land unless following an NRCS conservation plan.



Do **NOT** produce an agricultural commodity on a converted wetland.



Do **NOT** convert a wetland making the production of an agricultural commodity possible.

Conservation Compliance and Crop Insurance

What you need to know about conservation compliance and its impact on your Federal crop insurance policy.



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