

2017 KANSAS SOYBEAN YIELD AND VALUE CONTESTS

WHY A SOYBEAN YIELD OR VALUE CONTEST?

- To recognize outstanding Kansas soybean producers
- To provide a fun incentive for Kansas farmers to increase soybean yields, protein and oil content
- To share information learned by participants to help all Kansas soybean producers raise higher-yielding and more profitable soybeans
- To present certificates and monetary awards provided by the Kansas Soybean Commission at the Kansas Soybean Expo in Topeka, January 10, 2018

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KANSAS SOYBEAN YIELD and VALUE CONTESTS RULES FOR 2017

1. This contest is open and free of charge to any soybean grower in Kansas. Entry must be postmarked by December 1, 2017.
2. Anyone involved in a farming operation can enter, but only one entry per field will be accepted. Multiple categories for the yield contest may be entered, conventional and no-till, dryland and irrigated, but all entries must be entered in the same district. Only one entry per individual will be accepted for the quality contest.
3. The contest is divided into four categories: Conventional, No-till, Conventional-till Irrigated, and No-till Irrigated. The State is divided into eight (8) districts: North Northeast (NNE)**, Northeast (NE), North Central (NC), East Central (EC), Southeast (SE), South Central (SC), Southwest (SW), and Northwest (NW). The districts all have been given a number, such as District 1a, according to the location and type of tillage used. Please choose from the following categories and tillage types to enter the competition. Each participant may choose more than one (1) category, but they must be in the same district. The district is to be selected based on where the field is located, NOT where the applicant’s residence is located.

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| Category | |
| Conventional-till Dryland | |
| District 1a | NNE** |
| District 2a | NE |
| District 3a | NC |
| District 4a | EC |
| District 5a | SE |
| District 6a | SC |
| District 7a | SW |
| District 8a | NW |

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| Category | |
| No-till Dryland | |
| District 1b | NNE** |
| District 2b | NE |
| District 3b | NC |
| District 4b | EC |
| District 5b | SE |
| District 6b | SC |
| District 7b | SW |
| District 8b | NW |

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| Category | |
| Conventional-till Irrigated | |
| District 9ci. | Statewide |

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| Category | |
| No-till Irrigated | |
| District 9ni. | Statewide |

**NNE includes only those fields north and/or east of Kansas Highway 73 in Brown, Doniphan, or Atchison counties.

4. Please refer to the attached map of districts (page 5).
5. No-till awards require that a contestant’s entry must be from fields of five (5) or more years of continuous no-till, and crop history for the three (3) previous years stated on entry form. Entries not marked for this section will be assumed to be tilled.
6. An entry shall consist of one (1) field of at least five (5) contiguous acres.
7. Farm Service Agency (FSA) measurements will serve to verify the size of an entry field. If the area entered in the contest is limited to five (5) acres, measurements will be taken by the county Extension agricultural agent or a representative approved by the Extension agent. Field areas can be measured with a GPS device (including apps installed on smartphones or tablets) or by manual measurement in the field. For electronic devices, however, a color printout of the unit must be supplied with the application.

8. The attached report form will be used and completed as part of the contest. All contest records will become the property of the contest committee when yields are compiled. All decisions made by the contest committee will be final.
9. Each contestant is to notify the county Extension office when harvest is to begin. The Extension agent needs to be notified as early as possible to accommodate schedules.
10. Harvest operations are to be witnessed, and the combine grain hopper is to be inspected and empty before harvest begins. The witness may be a service-club representative, FFA advisor, or **any individual designated by the county Extension agent**. No family members or anyone involved in the farm operation (including seed representatives, fertilizer dealers, etc.) can serve as a witness.
11. Weight of soybeans from the field shall be verified by official elevator-scale tickets. Nothing else will be accepted. A minimum of five (5) acres must be checked. Weight from the entire field may be taken, if desired.
12. Scale tickets must accompany official entries.
13. Moisture percentage and foreign matter must be recorded on the scale tickets.
14. Yield is to be adjusted to 13.0 percent moisture by using the following formula to obtain the conversion factor:

$$\frac{100 - \text{Actual Moisture Content}}{87}$$

Multiply soybean weight by the conversion factor to convert to 13 percent moisture. Weight per bushel is 60 pounds. Calculate yield to nearest 0.01 bushel.

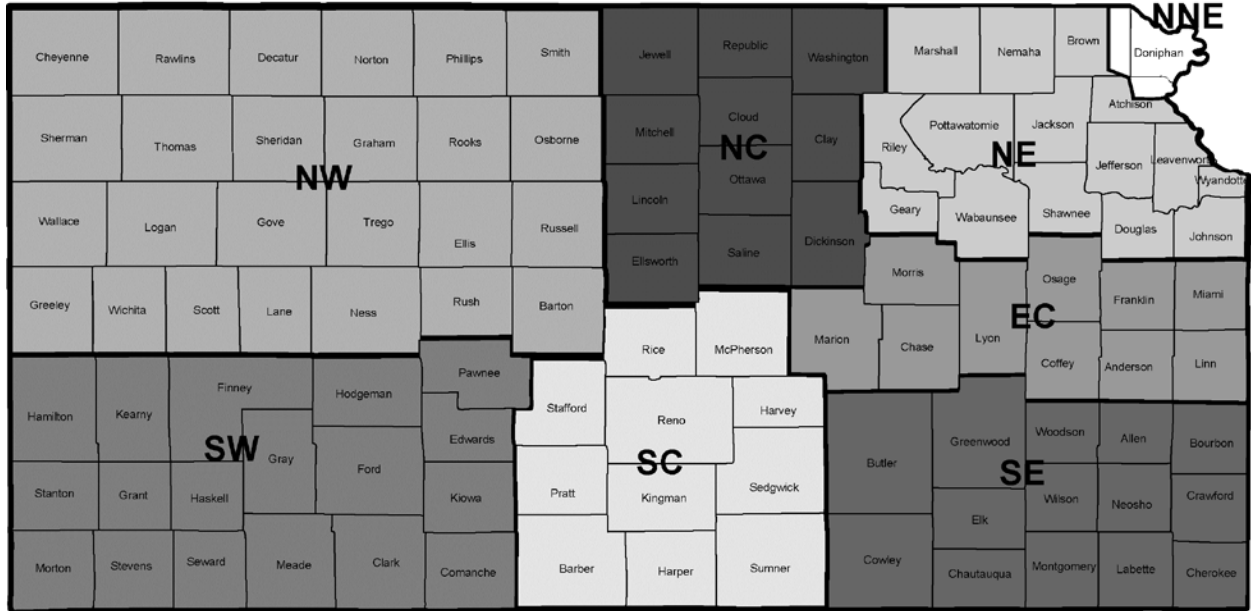
15. Foreign matter in excess of one percent (1%) must be deducted from yields.
16. Contest records and entries must be postmarked by December 1, 2017. Entries postmarked after December 1, 2017, will not be accepted. The entry forms should be sent to:

**Kansas Soybean Yield and Value Contests
Kansas Soybean Association
1000 SW Red Oaks Place
Topeka, KS 66615-1207**

17. The awards are as follows: **1st place - \$300 and a plaque, 2nd place - \$200 and a certificate, and 3rd place - \$100 and a certificate.** No-till on the Plains will have additional awards for the no-till categories. **The overall highest yields in the dryland and irrigated categories each will receive an additional \$1,000. The overall highest yield winner with a yield greater than 100 bushels per acre will receive an additional \$1,000.**

For more information, please contact Doug Shoup at dshoup@ksu.edu or 620-212-2399.

Dryland Yield Contest Districts



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KANSAS SOYBEAN VALUE CONTEST

1. To enter the value contest, you will need to send a 20-ounce sample of seed from the harvested field to the Kansas Soybean Association, listed in item 16 on page 4.
2. Your sample will be analyzed for protein, oil and additional value-added qualities. A value then will be calculated. This contest is statewide only, and the top three (3) entries will be recognized.
3. You need not enter the yield contest to enter the value contest. You may enter the yield contest, the value contest, or both. Only one entry per individual will be accepted for the value contest.

AWARDS

The awards are as follows: **1st place - \$300 and a plaque, 2nd place - \$200 and a certificate, and 3rd place - \$100 and a certificate.**

KANSAS SOYBEAN ASSOCIATION
2017 YIELD and VALUE CONTESTS ENTRY FORM
(Please print neatly)

_____ **Yield**
_____ **Value**
_____ **Both**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Telephone (include area code): _____ E-mail: _____

Contest district (see rule #3): _____ County: _____

Field location (GPS or Section/Township/Range if available): _____

Category: Conventional irrigated Conventional dryland No-till irrigated No-till dryland

Has the field been in continuous no-till for five (5) or more years? Yes No

Variety name and/or number: _____

Inoculated: Yes No

Date of planting: _____ Harvest date: _____

Type of land: Bottom Upland

Seedbed preparation:

Conventional till No-till Strip till Reduced/Vertical till

Fertilizer applied: _____

Herbicides: _____

Fungicides: No Yes (Product _____) Insecticides: No Yes (Product _____)

Any significant yield loss due to insects, diseases, weeds, frost, hail, flood, lodging, etc.?

If so, specify problem: _____

Row width and seeding rate: _____

Previous crops: 2016 _____ 2015 _____ 2014 _____

If the field is irrigated: Number of irrigations _____ Total inches applied _____

Irrigation system: Center pivot Gravity Other

Size of contest plot: _____ Size of field: _____

Yield per acre (calculated to nearest 0.01 bushel at 13 percent moisture, see item 14 on page 4):

Plot average _____ Field average _____ Field's estimated yield range (high) _____ (low) _____

Field measurements verified by:

(Printed name) Title: _____

(Signature)

Harvest and weighing operations witnessed by:

(Printed name) (Telephone)

(Signature)

(Contestant's signature)

I have entered the value contest. Yes No

Contest participants give the Kansas Soybean Association permission to share contact information with news media and researchers wanting to know more about Kansas Soybean Yield & Value Contests entries.

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