

For: Rice State and County Offices

1999 Crop LDP Eligibility for Rice With Special Grade Designations

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1 Overview

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Background**

The Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001 (2001 Act), amended the Agricultural Market Transition Act to extend the final loan availability date for LDP's on 1999 crop rice with special grade designations only, such as glutinous rice.

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Purpose**

This notice informs State and County Offices of:

- the final loan availability date for obtaining LDP's on 1999 crop rice with special grade designations
- commodity eligibility if beneficial interest has been lost
- the applicable LDP rate.

<p>Disposal Date</p> <p>October 1, 2001</p>	<p>Distribution</p> <p>Rice State Offices; State Offices relay to County Offices</p>
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2 Special Grade Rice Provisions

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Final Loan Availability Date for LDP's

Producers are eligible to request a 1999 crop LDP only, on rice with special grade designations through December 27, 2000.

Late-filed LDP requests for rice not designated special grade rice are not acceptable.

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Applicability

Eligible rice is any 1999 crop special grade rice.

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Special Provision for Special Grade Rice

Subject to certain conditions, a producer who is otherwise eligible to receive a payment, will be allowed to receive LDP on eligible 1999 crop rice, even though the producer has already marketed the rice.

The conditions are as follows:

- no one has previously received such payments for the rice
- the producer seeking payment was the actual producer of the rice
- the producer had beneficial interest in the commodity at the time of the marketing or redemption of the rice, or was a participant in a marketing pool.

The producer will receive the payment as LDP if the rice was not pledged as collateral for a loan, in which case the amount to be paid will be determined as of the date the producer marketed the commodity.

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LDP Rate

For any LDP requested according to this notice, the LDP rate is the rate that was in effect on:

- the date the producer lost beneficial interest if the rice was marketed from December 10, 1999, through May 31, 2000, and is based on the county rate in effect where the rice was marketed
 - May 31, 2000, for all other requests and is based on the LDP rate in effect in the county where:
 - the rice was marketed
 - the LDP request is made if the producer still has beneficial interest on date of request.
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Rice Marketed
Through
“Marketing
Pools”**

Producers may have marketed special grade rice through a marketing pool. To establish quantity and LDP rate applicable to the rice marketed through the marketing pool, producers must provide information to the County Office, as follows:

- producer’s name and address
- total quantity of 1999 crop special grade rice provided by that producer to the marketer or handler
- percentage of marketer’s or handler’s pool of glutinous rice that remains as “rough rice” as of December 1, 1999
- weekly percentages of glutinous rice milled or otherwise processed from December 10, 1999, through May 31, 2000
- percentage of remaining inventory of rough rice on May 31, 2000
- pro rata share, in hundredweight, of producer’s rough special grade rice milled or otherwise processed during each weekly period, with such week ending on a Monday; and the remaining balance of rough special grade rice on May 31, 2000.

Producers can obtain this information from the marketing pool, as applicable.

County Offices shall:

- establish the quantity based on each producer’s share of eligible rice milled or otherwise processed on a weekly basis and the balance remaining on May 31, 2000
 - use the LDP rate in effect on those dates, as applicable.
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3 Action

**A
State Office
Action**

State Offices shall:

- publicize the contents of this notice immediately to the maximum extent possible
 - instruct County Offices to notify producers immediately of the contents of this notice using all available sources.
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County Office Action

For eligible producers of 1999 crop special grade rice who did not receive LDP, for any reason, County Offices shall:

- notify all producers immediately of the contents of this notice using all available sources
- allow producers to request LDP using CCC-666 LDP
- enter the following producer certification directly on CCC-666 LDP and not as an attachment:

“I understand that I am allowed to request an LDP for a quantity of special grade rice that is otherwise eligible. I also understand that the LDP rate is the rate that was in effect on the date I marketed my rice from December 10, 1999 through May 31, 2000; and is the rate that was in effect on May 31, 2000 for all other LDP requests.”

- for quantities used for seed, allow producers to certify the quantity and date seeded, use the LDP rate in effect on the date seeded from December 10, 1999, through May 31, 2000, or May 31, 2000, if seeded after May 31, 2000, and is based in the county where the commodity was used as seed
 - for quantities sold, obtain production evidence meeting 8-LP requirements and use the LDP rate in effect on the date sold and in the county where the commodity was delivered according to subparagraph 2 D
 - require producers to apply by December 27, 2000.
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APSS

APSS, LDP-making software, will be modified to allow for processing rice LDP's according to this notice. Automation instructions will be provided in a future PS notice. Do not disburse LDP's determined according to this notice until authorized in a future notice.
