

For: Flue-Cured Tobacco State and County Offices

2003 Flue-Cured Tobacco Allotment, Quota, Farm Yield, and Reserve Acreage

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1 Overview

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Background

The Secretary has determined and announced the following for the 2003 crop of flue-cured tobacco:

- marketing quota is 526.3 million pounds
- acreage allotment is 252,059 acres
- average yield goal is 2,088 pounds
- reserve for:
 - new farms is 160 acres
 - corrections and adjusting inequities is 80 acres.

9-TB SCOAP provides instructions for processing annual calculations of the flue-cured allotments and quotas. Notice TB-1058 instructed County Offices to complete FSA-578 summarization before executing the annual calculations. However, many County Offices have failed to process FSA-578 summarization properly, resulting in incomplete or inaccurate information being passed to other agencies.

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Purpose

This notice provides:

- 2003 national factor and reserve acreage for flue-cured tobacco
- instructions for completing annual calculations.

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2 National Factors and Reserve Acreage

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**2003 National
Factor**

The 2003 national factor for:

- acreage is .9050
 - yield is .9235
 - 5-year adjustment is 1.0000
 - current year equivalent is .9034.
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**Acreage
Prorated to State
Offices**

Reserve acreage for adjusting inequities in old farm acreage allotment is prorated to State Offices as follows.

State Office	Reserve Acreage
Alabama	0.06
Florida	1.65
Georgia	8.43
North Carolina	52.74
South Carolina	9.99
Virginia	7.13

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3 Action

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KCAO Action

KCAO shall transmit the 2003 national factor in subparagraph 2 A to flue-cured tobacco County Offices **on February 18, 2003**.

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County Office Action

Before performing 2003 annual calculation of the flue-cured allotments and quotas, County Offices shall do the following:

- complete 2002 crop year FSA-578 summarization according to Notice TB-1058
- load MQ-108-1 data according to 9-TB SCOAP, paragraph 360.5
- complete the reconciliation of producer marketings according to 9-TB SCOAP, Parts 9 and 24
- review farms with CRP reductions for flue-cured tobacco

Note: Reinstate quota reduction for CRP-1's that expired or were terminated in 2002. See 9-TB SCOAP, Part 11, Section 5 for instructions on CRP reductions.

- run farm and tract crop file verification according to 9-TB SCOAP, paragraph 356 and make necessary corrections
- update new flue-cured tobacco stabilization ID numbers in the name and address file
- update flue-cured tobacco warehouse change in the facility file according to 1-CM and print and review list of eligible warehouses for producer designation
- process **all** 2002 reconstitution requests made for DCP purposes.

Note: 2002 reconstitution requests may **not** be performed after establishing the 2003 flue-cured marketing quota for the parent farm.

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Performing File Backup

County Offices shall perform a complete file backup:

- before performing annual calculations
- immediately after completing annual calculation.

Note: Completing 2002 crop year FSA-578 summarization and all 2002 reconstitutions is mandatory before performing annual calculations.

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Generating and Mailing MQ-24's

County Offices shall generate and mail MQ-24's as follows:

- indicate that 2003 is not a referendum year when generating MQ-24's
- continuous designation is in effect for the 2003 marketing year
- date MQ-24's (FSA-708's) **no later than February 24, 2003**
- mail MQ-24's **by COB February 24, 2003.**

Note: MQ-24's can be reprinted only using option 1 on Preparation of Annual Notices Menu MKAC02. After option 2 is selected, reprinting is not available.

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State Office Action

State Offices shall take the following action.

Step	Action
1	Ensure that County Offices have an adequate supply of FSA-708's to print MQ-24's.
2	Transmit reports generated from annual calculations to KCAO by March 7, 2003.
3	Allocate all reserve acreage to County Offices by February 24, 2003.
4	Instruct County Offices to load acres and make adjustment in old farms by February 28, 2003.
