

For: Other Kinds of Tobacco State and County Offices

Other Kinds of Tobacco Yield Data Review

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1 Tobacco, Other Than Flue-Cured and Burley, Yield Data Review

A Background

Several factors may have contributed to incomplete or incorrect data being used to calculate county average yields, producer yields, and resulting base quota levels (BQL's) for other kinds of tobacco. To ensure fair and equitable treatment of all Tobacco Transition Payment Program (TTPP) eligible recipients, it has been determined that County Offices shall review all production and harvested acreage data.

B Purpose

This notice:

- provides instructions for County Offices to review production and harvested acreage data for crop years 2001, 2002, and 2003 for all farms with an effective allotment greater than zero in crop years 2002, 2003, and 2004
- obsoletes Notice TB-1140 to correct BQL adjustment factors for fire-cured (types 22-23).

Disposal Date	Distribution
February 1, 2006	Tobacco State Offices; State Offices relay to applicable County Offices

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2 County Office Action (Continued)

A Deadline

All County Office actions **must** be completed no later than **April 15, 2005**.

B Production Review

County Offices shall, for production review:

- compare the Producer Computation Summary Report provided by KC-ITSD for the week of March 27, 2005, to the marketing card and MQ-108-1 for crop years 2001, 2002, and 2003 for each farm
- note on the computation summary report any errors found in marketings, carry-over, or involuntarily destroyed pounds
- add any farm not found on the computation summary report that had marketings, carry-over or involuntarily destroyed pounds to the summary.

C Harvested Acreage

County Offices shall, for harvested acreage:

- for crop years 2001, 2002, and 2003, compare the Producer Computation Summary Report provided by KC-ITSD for the week of March 27, 2005, to the harvested acres found on Screen MEAU 7001, "Compliance Farm Summary," and the farm crop detail record

Note: Harvested acres are the determined acres **not** to exceed the farms effective allotment if the farm was within the administrative variance. If the farm had excess production resulting in the payment of converted penalty, the determined acres will equal the harvested acres.

- correct the acres field on the Producer Computation Summary Report as necessary.

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2 County Office Action (Continued)

D Yield Calculation

County Offices shall, for yield calculation:

- total all the farms marketed, carried-over, and involuntarily destroyed pounds for crop years 2001, 2002, and 2003 as corrected on the Producer Computation Summary Report
- total all acres for crop years 2001, 2002, and 2003 as corrected on the Producer Computation Summary Report
- divide the total marketed, carried-over, and involuntarily destroyed pounds by the total acres.

Note: The result is the 3-year county average yield.

E Payment Acres

County Offices shall, for payment acres:

- compare effective allotment to calculated allotment
- compare the effective allotment found on the marketing card register with the entries found on the Producer Computation Summary Report; for:
 - all types, the 2002 effective allotment from the marketing card register is the entry that should be shown as the calculated allotment found in the Producer Computation Summary Report
 - Virginia sun-cured (type 37) and Virginia fire-cured (type 21) types, the 2003 and 2004 effective allotment from the marketing card register is the entry that should be shown as the calculated allotment found in the Producer Computation Summary Report
 - fire-cured (types 22-23), dark air-cured (types 35-36), and cigar filler/binder (types 54-55) types, using the 2003 and 2004 marketing card register, calculate the 2002 equivalent effective allotment using the BQL adjustment factor in this table for the applicable kind of tobacco.

Kind of Tobacco	2003	2004
Fire-cured (types 22-23).	.980392	.951837
Dark air-cured (types 35-36).	.952381	.924640
Cigar filler/binder (types 54-55).	.892900	.939800

Note: Document **all** required changes to the calculated allotment found on the Producer Computation Summary Report. This will ensure that all allotments including sales, purchases, adjustments from reserve, special tobacco combinations, and owner transfers are included in the BQL calculation, as applicable.

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F Yields for Reconstituted Farms

County Offices shall, for yields for reconstituted farms, use the average yield obtained on the parent farms of any 2004 reconstitutions for the crop years 2001, 2002, and 2003, if the 2004 producer shared in the risk of production for those years. The average yield used **must** be noted on the Producer Computation Summary Report

G Payment Acres

County Offices shall, for the process spreadsheet, use the corrected information from the Producer Computation Summary Report to calculate the producer's BQL using the applicable spreadsheets.

H Contracts

County Offices shall, for contracts, enter the BQL from the applicable spreadsheet into the contract software when available.

3 State Office Action

A Correction Review

State Offices shall review all corrections made by County Offices to the Producer Computation Summary Report and concur before correction can be made to the contract.

B Review Deadline

State Offices **must** review all County Office corrections **no** later than **April 22, 2005**.