

## Who is eligible?

- Any individual producer who is a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada who has reached the age of majority in the province of operation, which is 18 in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta and 19 in British Columbia.
- The applicant must be the actual producer of the grain or be entitled to a share of the grain as a landlord, vender or mortgagee (interested party).
- The applicant and any related producers must not have any outstanding defaulted accounts with the CWB or other administrators (includes crop and livestock).
- Applicants who have defaulted in three separate production periods (starting with 2004-05) are ineligible for an advance in the production period following the one in which the defaulted advance was repaid. This applies to all farming operations in which the applicant has an interest.
- If the applicant is a corporation, partnership, cooperative or a colony, at least one of the shareholders, partners or members must have reached the age of majority and must be principally occupied in the farming operation.
- The applicant must not be a member of the House of Commons, public servant, or a current or former public office holder who is prohibited under any applicable federal conflict of interest or ethical principals, rules and obligations from deriving benefit under the Advance Payments Program.
- Applicants who are a corporation, partnership, cooperative or a colony **must** have a pre-approved Continuing Declaration and Guarantee or Continuing Guarantee for colonies in place.

An applicant who provides false or misleading information or fails to provide relevant information for the purposes of the application is guilty of an offense under the *Agricultural Marketing Programs Act* and the *Criminal Code*. Penalties include a fine of up to \$500,000 and imprisonment.

## Joint producers

Joint producers are considered a partnership and must complete a Continuing Declaration and Guarantee form before an advance can be issued. Applicants who are joint producers must take out the cash advance jointly.

**Do not issue the advance cash ticket under the individual numbers assigned for delivery purposes. If one is issued, it will be returned to your company for correction.**

A refund must be deducted from any deliveries made under either the joint CWB producer ID number or each producer's individual number.

## Non-residents

Corporations, partnerships and cooperatives with participants who are non-residents can apply for an advance if:

Corporation	a majority of the voting shares are held by Canadian citizens or permanent residents.
Partnership	at least 50 per cent of the profits belong to Canadian citizens or permanent residents.
Cooperative	a majority of members must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada.

Applicants and any related producers who have defaulted on their cash advances in three separate production periods and repay in 2011-12 are ineligible to receive a cash advance until the 2013-14 production period.

## Eligibility for a Pre-harvest advance using crop insurance as security

- The applicant must have current all-risk provincial crop insurance in good standing for all grains declared on the Pre-harvest advance application.
- Applicants should contact their provincial agency to confirm coverage.
- Crop insurance coverage is calculated by multiplying the per cent coverage level by the long-term yield.

- If more than one insurance rate applies to land seeded/to be seeded to a class of wheat, show all acres for the class of wheat on the appropriate line of the application form and the average rate.

To calculate the average rate, multiply the rate of coverage by the number of acres covered by each rate. Add the values together and divide by the total number of acres for that class. This calculation also applies to advances secured by AgriStability.

### **Eligibility for a Pre-harvest advance using AgriStability as security**

- AgriStability can be used as security when the grain has not been secured by crop insurance.
- Applicants must participate in the current AgriStability program.
- AgriStability security is based on the government portion of the producer's selected coverage (66.5 per cent) of the reference margin.
- The AgriStability enrolment notice can be used to confirm coverage.

### **Previous advances and eligibility**

An applicant's eligibility can be affected by the status of previous advances.

### **2010-11 outstanding advance (not in default)**

- Applicant is eligible.
- The total cumulative outstanding advances, from all administrators, cannot exceed \$400,000 at any time.

### **Outstanding defaulted advance repaid before April 1, 2011**

- If an applicant and any related producer(s) have defaulted in three separate production periods since 2004, they are ineligible for the remainder of that production period in which the producer ceases to be in default, plus one additional production period.

### **Defaulted advance still outstanding after April 1, 2011**

- The applicant is not eligible for an advance in the 2011-12 production period.
- Related producers will be eligible once the defaulted account has been repaid in full.