

About the Advance Payments Program (After-harvest)

All forms are available on the CWB Web site. From our homepage, click [Farmers > Farmer payments > Cash advance program.](#)

All companies, partnerships, cooperatives and joint producers must have an approved Continuing Declaration and Guarantee form before an advance payment is issued.

See pages 26 to 69 for step-by-step instructions on completing an advance.

2009-10 advance payment rates (per tonne)

Wheat	\$100
Durum	\$110
Barley	\$60
Designated Barley	\$87

The Advance Payments Program (APP) (After-harvest) is a federal government program which authorizes cash advances for producers who have wheat, durum and barley stored on farm. The Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) administers the program for wheat, durum and barley grown in Western Canada.

Important information

The 18-month production period runs from April 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010. The after-harvest program starts September 1, 2009 and ends March 31, 2010. Repayment is due by September 30, 2010.

Total eligible amount

CWB agents can obtain Producers cash advance account information through e-Services on our Web site. E-advances will provide current eligibility information and any account balance. Applicants can receive a maximum amount of \$400,000 on all agricultural products, with the first \$100,000 being interest-free until the advance is repaid or until September 30, 2010, providing the advance is not placed in default. All previous advances (include pre-harvest previous 2009-2010 after harvest and 2010-11 winter wheat advances) received through all producer organizations and 2008-09 outstanding balances, must be taken into consideration when determining the maximum advance the applicant is eligible to receive. The maximum amount that can be outstanding is \$400,000, which includes the principal balance of any outstanding 2008-09 cash advance for all agricultural products, any pre-harvest and after harvest 2009-10 and pre-harvest 2010-11 winter wheat cash advances received.

Applicants with outstanding 2008-09 advances (not in default)

Applicants with outstanding non-defaulted 2008-09 cash advances can apply for a 2009-10 after-harvest advance. The balance outstanding and the money issued on the 2009-10 advance (includes any monies issued under the pre-harvest program) cannot exceed \$400,000. The applicant is eligible to apply for additional money on the 2009-10 after-harvest advance, up to the program maximum of \$400,000, when the 2008-09 advance is reduced or repaid.

Interest-free benefit

Applicants with an outstanding balance on a 2008-09 cash advance are eligible for the interest-free benefit on the first \$100,000 received under the 2009-10 after-harvest advance program. The amount outstanding on the previous crop year advance does not affect this benefit.

Continuing Declaration and Guarantee forms

Continuing Declaration and Guarantee (D&G) forms and Guarantee forms (for Colonies) define the structure of a company. Unless the structure or members of the company have changed, Continuing D&G forms completed in previous years can be used for the 2009-10 program. (See pages 44-45 for more information on Continuing D&G forms.)

Repayment

Refunds must be deducted from all settlements for deliveries of wheat, durum and barley made to the CWB, the off-Board feed grain market, feed mills, grain dealers and ethanol plants.

Feed mills, grain dealers and fuel ethanol plants must apply in writing to the CWB for an Advance Payment Deduction Agreement to deduct and report advance refunds to the CWB. Where there is an agreement with the

CWB, the required deductions will be made from grain deliveries and remitted to the CWB. Where there is no agreement with the CWB, the applicant must submit the necessary advance refund to the CWB and make the appropriate grain delivery entry into the permit book.

Repayment rate for the 2009-10 after-harvest advance is the same as the 2009-10 after-harvest issuance rate.

Submitting and correcting forms

All advance forms are available at www.cwb.ca by clicking *Farmers > Farmer payments > [Cash advance program](#)*. Elevator staff must call the CWB for an advance application number to report the advance.

Important changes

The new APP 2010-11 Winter Wheat pre-harvest program starts October 1, 2009 to assist winter wheat growers with seeding costs. The 2009-10 APP after-harvest application has been updated to accommodate 2010-11 winter wheat pre-harvest advances

Related Producers Declaration forms

For this year only, to accommodate the 2010-11 winter wheat pre-harvest program and outstanding 2008-09 cash advances where a stay of default has been granted, there are separate Related Producers Declaration forms.

From September 1 to 30, 2009:

- Use the temporary Related Producers Declaration form.
- It is available on our Web site; to access this form, click *Farmers > Farmer payments > [Cash advance program](#)*.
- This form accommodates 2008-09 outstanding cash advances.

From October 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010:

- Use the Related Producers Declaration forms that you received in your supply package mailed from CWB.
- They accommodate the 2010-11 Winter Wheat pre-harvest program.
- On October 1, 2009, this Related Producers Declaration form will replace the temporary form on our Web site.

From October 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010

(for applicants with a stay of default for 2008-09 cash advance):

- Use the Related Producers Declaration form from our Web site – from our homepage, click *Farmers > Farmer payments > [Cash advance program](#)*.
- This form accommodates the 2008-09 APP cash advances outstanding after September 30, 2009 where a stay of default has been granted.

Before payment can be made to the applicant, all documents must be corrected and faxed to (204) 983-8031. The producer and elevator manager must sign all changes. The advance will be approved based on the fax copy returned. Keep the original corrected copy of the fax on file at the elevator. The original fax copy must be held on file for seven years and be available upon request. Send us the original copy if you are unable to keep it at the elevator.

The CWB will accept faxed copies of Priority Agreement or Continuing Priority Agreement forms, but you must also forward the original signed copy to us or hold it on file at the elevator.

Fees

Grain companies charge \$75 (plus GST if advised by your head office) per application to cover their administrative costs.

If you apply for and receive one or more cash advances that total over \$100,000 (including monies issued under the 2009-10 pre-harvest program), a \$125 fee (plus GST) is applied to cover the additional expense of validation and approval. This fee is assessed once per production period.

Default date for 2008-09 advances

Applicants will be placed in default if they have not met all of the obligations of their advance application on or before **September 30, 2009**.

Priority Agreement

A Priority Agreement is an agreement between the CWB, financial institutions and secured parties that gives the CWB's lien against an applicant's grain priority over liens of other secured parties. Financial institutions include: banks, credit unions, caisse populaires or cooperative credit societies, trust companies and the Province of Alberta Treasury Branch. A secured party may be any person or business organization with a lien on the applicant's grain. A Priority Agreement must be completed by:

- every financial institution the applicant currently deals with, whether or not there is a lien on the grain
- every financial institution or secured party that has a security interest or lien on the grain described in the advance

The Advance Application includes a *Priority Agreement*. The advance application must be completed to the end of paragraph 4 "The Advance Payment", before the applicant takes the agreement to the financial institution(s) or secured party(ies) unless a Continuing Priority Agreement has been pre-approved. There are separate *Priority Agreement* forms with your supplies if more than one is required.