

ILLINOIS WHEAT ASSOCIATION YIELD CONTEST

Rules and Regulations

CONTEST ENTRANT QUALIFICATIONS

1. To enter, you must be an IWA member in good standing. A one-year membership (\$50) can be included with your entry fee. IWA also has a three-year membership for \$125.
2. Entry fee will be **\$50** per entry. A farm entity or operation may enter more than one entry, but each entry must have a different individual name.
3. A IWA member in good standing may also enter the National Wheat Foundation's (NWF) National Wheat Yield Contest. NWF's guidelines, entry form, deadlines, and registration cost can be found at <https://yieldcontest.wheatfoundation.org/>.

CONTEST FIELD AND ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

1. The state will be divided into two separate reporting regions. Route 16 across IL will be the north/south dividing line. The location of the field, NOT the entrant address, will determine the region of the entry.
2. There will only be one class in each region. As the contest grows, new classes may be added, such as no-till, organic, etc.
3. Contest field must be *at least* 10 continuous acres of *one variety number*. Continuous being defined as "not separated by public roads, permanent field roads, or waterways that are delineated out of FSA maps or other structures or features that cause a field to be "farmed" separately."
4. Out of this field, **a minimum of 2.5 acres** must be harvested for the "official" weight/yield. There is no maximum size for the official weight/yield.
5. Each entry MUST BE from a 2017 commercial seed purchase. **"BROWN BAG OR SAVED SEED" WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR ENTRY.** The IWA Board reserves the right to request invoices for seed purchase. *Check with your local seed supplier as some companies may support the entry into the contest.*
6. Although there will not be a separate organic category, USDA certified organic producers may use bin-run seed and enter into the contest. **A copy of the USDA certification must accompany the contest entry.**

SUPERVISOR ELIGIBILITY QUALIFICATIONS

1. The supervisor's names must be on the IWA contest entry form along with their title, address, telephone and e-mail address before the entry can be accepted. The supervisor's responsibility is to oversee the harvest and make the final computations of yield based on an accurate weight, moisture and calculated area. It is the responsibility of the entrant to submit the final paperwork.
 - a. A supervisor **cannot** be related to the contestant, employee of the contestant, be a seed company representative, chemical company representative, retail fertilizer representative or in any way have any interest in the crop. Examples of **qualifying supervisors** would be local extension personnel, local bankers, FFA Advisor, IWA Board members, etc.

AWARDS

- 1st place in each zone = \$500
- 2nd place in each zone = \$250
- 3rd place in each zone = \$125
- 4th place in each zone= 3-year membership to the IWA

Note: Prize money is calculated and based on 50 entries. If more or less than 50 entries are received, the IWA Board of Directors will use their discretion in determining the final amount of the awards. For example, if we have 100 entries, then the 1st place prize will be \$1,000.

ILLINOIS WHEAT ASSOCIATION 2018 YIELD CONTEST ENTRY FORM

This form must be completed in full and signed. *Please read the 2018 contest rules before filling out this form. The name on this entry form must be the same as your membership. You must be a member to enter the contest.*

1. Individual Name _____
Farm/Operation Name _____
I wish to enter as: (Please check one) _____ Individual _____ Farm/Operation Name
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____ County _____ Illinois
Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
E-Mail _____

2. If you are entering more than one entry in the contest, each entry must be entered on a separate form. Please designate each entry with a different letter.

Entry _____ (Entry A, B, C, D, etc.)

3. Region of the field. Please check one.

_____ North of IL Route 16 _____ South of IL Route 16

4. Entry Fees:	<u>Amount enclosed</u>
\$50/ entry	\$ _____
IWA Membership fee (\$50 or \$125)	\$ _____
Total amount enclosed	\$ _____

Voucher payment by: _____ (Company name)
*(*Three-year dues are \$125 and includes \$75 wheat seed certificate)*

5. Contest field must be a continuous 10 acres of one variety number.

Date planted _____
Planting Rate (seeds per acre) _____
Row Spacing _____
Planter/Drill Make _____ Model _____
Previous crop _____
Variety Brand _____ Variety Number _____

6. Tillage Practice. Check one.

_____ No-till _____ Minimum till _____ Conventional

Tillage type: _____ Shallow tillage (6" or less) _____ # of passes
_____ Deep tillage (7" or deeper) _____ # of passes

7. Seed treatments - Insecticide and Fungicide

Product name	Rate/Acre Amount	How Applied	When Applied
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

8. Herbicides

Product name	Rate/Acre Amount	How Applied	When Applied
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

9. Insecticides

Product name	Rate/Acre Amount	How Applied	When Applied
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

10. Growth Regulator

Product name	Rate/Acre Amount	How Applied	When Applied
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

11. Fungicides

Product name	Rate/Acre Amount	How Applied	When Applied
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

12. Fertilizer

Product name	Rate/Acre Amount	How Applied	When Applied
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

13. In the space below, please identify and provide the information for a primary and alternate supervisor. Please refer to the rules and regulations section for supervisor guidelines.

Primary

Name of Supervisor _____

Employed by _____

Job Title/Occupation _____

Business Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Illinois

Bus Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Secondary

Name of Supervisor _____

Employed by _____

Job Title/Occupation _____

Business Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Bus Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

14. A printed confirmation of your entry along with the harvest entry form will be mailed to you prior to June 1.

15. IWA reserves the right to view and or inspect, with prior notice, any variety entered at any time. IWA also reserves the right to disqualify any entry in violation of the stated contest rules and regulations. Winners will be announced at the August Forum and may be invited to participate in a February Forum panel discussion.

16. I hereby certify the above information given on this entire application is accurate to the best of my knowledge and agree that all information provided by me pursuant to this contest shall be the property of the Illinois Wheat Association and can be used and distributed at the sole discretion of the IWA.

17. Payment and entry fee must be postmarked by May 11, 2018. Please send check and or voucher for the full amount to: Treasury Operations, Illinois Wheat Association, PO Box 6228, Bloomington, IL 61701. Phone: 309-557-3619 - Fax: 309-557-2008.

Signature of Entrant

_____ Date _____

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