


*Extension Responds 2009: Dealing with Wet Grain and Delayed Harvest*



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Pod Integrity and Vein Separation




Decreased Grain/Seed Quality

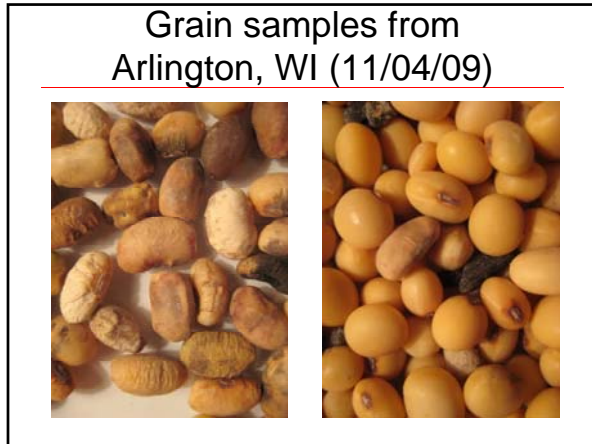


Cercospora leaf blight pathogen



White Mold





### Grain Grading Factors to Consider

- Test weight
- Splits
- Damaged kernels
- Heat damaged kernels
- Coarse and fine foreign material
- Soybeans of other colors
- Stones
- Distinctly low quality
- Musty, sour or heating
- Special factors
  - Purple Mottled or Stained
  - Garlicky
  - Infested

### Crop Insurance Questions

- The most important action you can do is to contact your crop insurance agent to report a loss, indicating your harvest is delayed because of adverse weather, which is an insured cause of loss. You must then continue to carry out normal and customary harvesting practices, if possible.
- Your crop insurance policy will cover loss of quality (as specified in the crop provisions), reduced yields and revenue losses if revenue coverage was chosen. The cost of drying the harvested crop is not covered.

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- If you are unable to harvest by the calendar date for the End of the Insurance Period (EOIP) due to extreme wet or snowy conditions, you may request additional time to harvest beyond the calendar date for the EOIP, from your crop insurance company.
- The EOIP is December 10 for most spring planted crops. The specific date is found in your applicable crop provisions and is a contractual date that is not extended by the Risk Management Agency (RMA). Read the applicable crop provisions in your policy to be sure of the date.

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### 2010 Soybean Seed Quality Concerns

- Delayed harvest is wide spread across the Midwest
- Drying process critical in seed beans
- Delayed harvest may increase disease load on 2010 seed production crop
- Seed treatments differ in their efficacy to the different pathogens that may be present on the seed
- Watch for seed coat integrity/seed treatment issues that we saw in 2008

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