# **2018 Corn Production Contest**

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#### Form A - Harvest Entry 2018 Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest

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1		or Farm Name					(1)011	e qui e u)			
2	Address						Work Telep	hone			
3				, <b>KY</b> Zip							
4	County of C	Contest Field						email			
5	Division Er	ntered		Division I (Tillage)				Division III (	White Corn)		
				Division II (No-Till)				Division IV (	Irrigated)		
6	Acres in Fi	eld	Bra	nd & Hybrid Planted					J. J. J. J.		
7	Row Width	İ	nches ÷	- 12 = feet							Total Feet of Row
8	Row length	n per pass: (nea	rest who	ole foot)					Row	Row	Needed to Equal
	_	# of Rows Harvested one		Row Length					Width, inches	Width, feet	1.2500 acres
	Pass	Pass		(whole foot)	"		Total Row Length	<i>(</i> +	15	1.2500	43,560
	Example	8	X	500	ft	=	4,000	ft	20	1.6667	32,669
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9			х	-	÷		43,560	- =			
	Total Lengt	h of all Rows (ft)		Average Row Width (ft)			(Sq. ft in one acre)	Acres harveste			

Key Phone numbers: (859) 338-5500 or (859) 257-3203

# Form A - Harvest Entry, continued

**10** Total bushels of corn harvested

	gross	minus tare	=	pounds of corn	
۷	actual corn moisture percent		(2 decimals only), average of 3 read	dings	
Load	pounds of corn		_ X adjusted moisture (100% - % actual mo	oisture)	
	÷ 47.32 (pounds	s of dry corn/bushel) =	Bushels harvested (Load A)		
	gross	minus tare	=	pounds of corn	
В	actual corn mois	sture percent	(2 decimals only), average of 3 readings X adjusted moisture (100% - % actual moisture)		
Load	pounds of corn				
	÷ 47.32 (pounds	of dry corn/bushel) =	Bushel (Load B)	ls harvested	
Tes	st Weight of Corn				
		(1 decimal)			
	÷		= Re	eported	
(f	btal bushels acres harvested harvested (from Line 9) rom Line 10, I loads A + B)		bushels per acre adjusted to 15.5% (2 decimals)		
Date	te harvested				
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Please staple weigh tickets here

# Form B - Agronomic Data Form

This form must be completed and forwarded with the harvest report form. If you are submitting a copy of the NCGA yield form to the Kentucky Contest, then submit this Form B with that entry.

Pla Pla	anting Date			Previous				
Pla	•		Planting Information					
	anting Data	Planting Date			Harvest Date			
0.	anting Rate	Planting Rate Seeds/acre		Harvest	Harvest Population		Plants/acre	
Co	orn Brand			Corn Hy	brid			
	/brid Traits R2, HXX, VT3, e	tc)		Soil Typ (Huntingto	e n, Pembroke, etc.	)		
So	oil Fertility	Last Soil Te	st (year)	Soil	рН			
A	g Lime	tons/a	cre applied	Fall	or Spring	of		
N Zi	<b>ertilizer, Ib/ac</b> litrogen (N) (inc (Zn) Other	re applied since	Phospho Sulfur (S	orus (P₂O₅) ;) amounts)	Manure	Potassium Boron (B)	(K <sub>2</sub> O) 	mounts)
W	Vhen was N fe	rtilizer applied?	Fall	·	g Pre-Plant	At Planting	Side-dress	,
	Vas starter use		No		er Type			
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	eed Treatme	1ent (if none us 1t(s) 1)	ed, please mar	rk none)	2)			
	lerbicide(s)			Fungio		Inse	ecticide(s)	
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<u>Til</u>	llage Practic	es						
	iming	Tillage Equipmo	ent Used			No. of Ti	mes	
	all							
S	Spring n-Season							

Reported Yield

Planter Make/Model		
Harvester Make/Model		
Cover Crops Planted in L	ast 3 Years	
Timing of Cover Crop Ren	noval (before / after planting)	

## **Contest Eligibility, Classes and Awards**

The Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest awards producers who use sound cultural practices to increase profitability of corn production in Kentucky. **Please read the rules carefully.** The Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, the Kentucky Corn Growers Association, and cooperating seed companies and other agribusinesses sponsor the contest.

## Kentucky Contest and the NCGA Contest

The Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest and the NCGA Corn Contest are two separate contests. Rules for the two contests differ, including contest divisions, eligibility and supervisor requirements. The Kentucky Extension Contest will accept a copy of an NCGA Harvest Report form. However, that copy must be mailed to the proper Kentucky address by the posted deadline to be eligible for the Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest. Also, Form B, (Agronomic Data) or a copy of the agronomic data on the NCGA entry, must be submitted with the copy of the NCGA Harvest Report form.

#### **Contest Classes**

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**A. Division I: Tillage, Non-irrigated:** Corn hybrid grown in Kentucky without irrigation in a Conventional Tillage or Minimum Tillage system. Conventional Tillage and Minimum Tillage fields include soil disturbance from mechanical tillage anytime between the prior year's harvest through the harvest of this year's contest. Examples of mechanical tillage are fall disking, fall surface tillage, fall deep ripping, moldboard plow, chisel plow, disks, harrows, TurboTill, etc.

**B. Division II: No-Tillage, Non-irrigated:** Corn hybrid grown in Kentucky without irrigation in a No-Tillage system. No-Tillage qualifications are as follows: 1) The soil residue is left undisturbed, no mechanical tillage, from the prior year's harvest through the harvest of this year's contest; 2) Planting units may use row cleaners but less than one-third of the row width is disturbed at planting; and 3) Weed control is accomplished with herbicides. (Note: these qualifications are similar to the NCGA No-Till/Strip-Till qualifications.)

C. Division III: White Corn, Non-irrigated: Corn hybrid grown in Kentucky designated as having a white kernel and grown without irrigation.

**D. Division IV:** Irrigated Corn: Corn hybrid grown in Kentucky with Irrigation regardless of tillage type and kernel color.

## **Contestant Eligibility**

Any producer (owner-operator, tenant, or tenant-landlord) who produces at least ten (10) continuous acres of corn in Kentucky may enter. A producer may make more than one entry per division if the entries are **different hybrids from different fields**. However, a producer with more than one entry will be eligible for only one award in Divisions I, II, III and IV. Members of the same family may enter separate entries, but these entries must be from separate fields. Producers may make entries as a single farming operation rather than a single person. A contestant can submit more than one entry, but each contestant will be eligible for only one (1) state award.

## **Field Eligibility**

A contest field in the state of Kentucky must be ten (10) or more continuous acres of a **single** hybrid. Only one entry per field is eligible for the Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest. A total of 1.2500 or more acres must be harvested as shelled corn with a multiple row harvester from the contest plot. The land must be owned or leased by the contestant. More details about the field are in the Harvesting Rules.

## **County Committee and Supervisor**

The Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest County Committee will be under the direction of the County Extension Agent for Agriculture and other members as appointed. Other county supervisors should be representatives of agricultural agencies and farmers. These individuals are responsible for all computations and field measurements and should be present during harvesting, weighing and moisture testing. Counties are encouraged to sponsor individual county contests and be responsible for encouraging corn growers to enter the state contest.

A supervisor cannot be related to the contestant, be a seed corn representative, chemical dealer or be an employee, employer, or consultant of the contestant or of his/her farm.

#### **State Committee**

The Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest State Committee shall consist of: 1) Two Grain Crops Extension Faculty, University of Kentucky, 2) One Corn Company Representative and 3) One County Agriculture Extension Agent.

The State Corn Contest Committee shall have the authority to arbitrate any point of contention that might develop in the administration of the program and State Corn Contest Committee decision will be final. Any irregularities in regards to the requirements of the program as outlined will be just cause for disqualification.

#### **Contest Awards**

Winners will be announced and awards given at the annual Kentucky Commodity Conference. Cash awards may be adjusted due to available funding and will be presented only to those winners who attend the Awards Banquet. The Kentucky Corn Growers Association will provide lodging for one (1) room for one (1) night for each producer winner who attends the Awards Banquet.

#### **State Awards**

Each contestant is eligible for only one (1) state award.

#### Divisions I, II, and III (Non-Irrigated Tillage, No-Tillage and White Corn)

Yields from Divisions I, II and III will be combined to identify the three highest yields per acre. Awards will be for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places and will include a trophy or plaque and possibly a monetary award. The State Champion will be engraved on Highest Non-Irrigated Corn Yield traveling trophy, sponsored by the Kentucky Corn Growers Association in honor of Jack Crowner that is to be displayed in the champion's county extension office for one year.

#### Division III (Non-Irrigated White Corn)

First place award, 2<sup>nd</sup> place award (if at least 10 entries were submitted) and 3<sup>rd</sup> place (if at least 15 entries were submitted). The state awards will include a trophy or plaque and possible a monetary award. The White Corn Champion name will be engraved on a traveling trophy, sponsored by DuPont Pioneer, that is to be displayed at the champion's county extension office for one year.

#### **Division IV (Irrigated)**

First place award, 2<sup>nd</sup> place award (if at least 10 entries were submitted) and 3<sup>rd</sup> place (if at least 15 entries were submitted). The state awards will include a trophy or plaque and possible a monetary award. The Irrigated Corn Champion will be engraved on a traveling trophy, sponsored by Whayne Agri-Business that is to be displayed in the champion's county extension office for one year.

#### **District Awards**

State award winners will not receive district awards. Entrants for Division I and II are divided into the six districts listed below. The contestants in Divisions I and II with the highest yield per acre but not a state award winner in each District will receive an appropriate award. Those districts are as follows:

District	Area	District	Area(s)
1	Purchase	4	Mammoth Cave and Lincoln Trail
2	Pennyrile	5	Louisville, Northern Kentucky, Fort Harrod, Bluegrass, and Licking River
3	Green River	6	Lake Cumberland, Wilderness Trail, Quicksand, Northeast Kentucky

(Changes may be made at the discretion of the State Committee).

## Certificates

- 1. 275 Bushel Club A certificate for membership in the 275 Bushel Club will be presented to producers with yields of 275 bushels or more.
- 2. Certificate for Participation Recognition will be available for all completed entries that are not state or district winners.

## Agent Awards

The Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources who has the highest average yield for the **top three** applications in EACH non-irrigated division will receive a plaque as recognition for superior accomplishments in the Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest. If there are enough entries in the irrigated division, then a similar award will be given in this division.

# **Harvest Rules**

#### Harvest Area

The Kentucky field harvest area must be five (5) or more acres of which **no part has been harvested prior to the contest**. Total field size must be ten (10) or more continuous acres of a single hybrid. The harvest area may be any shape, but must be in a continuous block. A minimum of 1.25 acres (rounding up is not allowed) must be harvested as shelled corn with a multiple row harvester from the contest area. End rows, turning rows and an equal number of outermost rows on each side of the field may not be part of the contest plot.

Until the initial check is calculated, the contestant must leave **unharvested** the corn remaining from the original required harvest pattern, plus one set of skipped rows on each side. The unharvested corn will be used for the recheck if the yield is 325 bushels per acre or more.

The uniform width of the planter spacing defines the continuous acres of a single hybrid. The spacing of parallel corn rows may not be more than 120% of the planter row spacing and still qualify as "continuous". Example: a planter spacing is 30 inches then the parallel corn rows may not exceed 36 inches ( $30 \times 1.20 = 36$ ). In interest of best management practices, grass waterways and drainage ditches may be a part of the contest plot if at some point in the 10 acres the uniform planter row spacing is evident. The width of the grass waterway will be included in the harvested row length if corn rows are planted to cross the waterway. If the rows are planted alongside the waterway or drainage ditch and row lengths vary, the actual length of each row must be included in the total row length.

#### **Reporting Yields**

After the required 1.25 acres or more have been harvested, and if the yield is <u>325.00 bushels or more</u> per acre, the yield must be reported immediately by telephone to the State Corn Committee Office, Chad Lee at 859-338-5500 or 859-257-3203. You may leave a message.

#### **Supervising Harvest**

One (1) supervisor must oversee all computations and field measurements and must be present for the harvesting, measuring, weighing, moisture-testing and reporting to the State Corn Committee as required. A supervisor cannot be related to the contestant, be a seed corn representative, chemical dealer or be an employee, employer, or consultant of the contestant or of his/her farm. The supervisor can have an assistant help him/her with the supervision. The assistant must follow the same guidelines as the supervisor. The <u>entrant is responsible for mailing</u> the completed form to: Chad Lee, Kentucky Extension Corn Contest, 423 Plant Science Bldg. Lexington, KY 40546-0312.

## Verifying Over 325 Bushels per Acre Yield.

For Kentucky ONLY entries (NCGA Corn Contest rules are different).

One (1) supervisor is needed to verify all yield checks below 325.00 bu/acre for the Kentucky contest. If the farmer suspects that the yield will be above 325.00 bu/acre, then two (2) supervisors can witness one yield check and that yield check can be valid for the contest.

If only one supervisor is present and the yield is over 325.00 bu/acre, then two (2) supervisors are needed for a recheck. The recheck will be the official yield for the contest. The first supervisor may serve as one of the supervisors of the recheck. The second supervisor must meet the requirements of the Kentucky Corn Committee. Only one (1) recheck will be made. The recheck must be taken from the same field area and in the same fashion as the initial check. The field cannot be harvested until the official check is signed by both supervisors. The official check must be submitted to the contest. Please note: the above guidelines are for Kentucky ONLY entries. The NCGA has a different set of requirements. If NCGA guidelines are followed for supervisors, yield checks and re-checks, they will be considered valid for the Kentucky Extension Corn Contest.

## KENTUCKY-ONLY ... KENTUCKY-ONLY ... KENTUCKY-ONLY

Kentucky State Corn Contest Check and Recheck Guidelines for Kentucky-only entries. These are different than the NCGA guidelines. If you follow the NCGA guidelines, the Kentucky Contest will accept that entry. If you follow the Kentucky Contest Guidelines listed here, the NCGA Contest will NOT accept the entry.

	Yields 324.99 bu/A or less	Yields 325.00 bu/A or higher
Initial Check	One or two qualified supervisors completes the initial check.	Two qualified supervisors completes the initial check.
Recheck	Not required for Kentucky Contest	Recheck required if only one supervisor completed the initial check. No recheck required if two supervisors completed the initial check.
		<u>All yields 325.00 bushels or more</u> must be reported immediately by telephone to the State Corn Committee Office, Chad Lee at 859- 338-5500 or 859-257-3203.

## Harvesting

The supervisors must have the entrant run his/her combine empty to make certain no corn has been left in it by mistake. All wagons and/or trucks must be checked to make certain they are empty. A set of rows shall be harvested, then three times that number skipped, another set harvested and three times that number skipped and so on until the required 1.25 or more acres have been harvested.

#### Examples:

Four row harvester	Harvest 4 rows, skip 12 rows, harvest 4, skip 12, and so on.
Six row harvester	Harvest 6 rows, skip 18 rows, harvest 6, skip 18, and so on.
Eight row harvester	Harvest 8 rows, skip 24 rows, harvest 8 rows, skip 24, and so on.
Twelve row harvester	Harvest 12 rows, skip 36 rows, harvest 12, skip 36, and so on.

## Measuring

Measurements **may be** with a steel or fiberglass tape, or measuring wheel and each measurement recorded on the form to be submitted to the state committee. The measuring wheel cannot be operated from a motorized vehicle. A laser may also be used of the rows are straight and the field is flat. If the field has any kind of curve or slope to it, a laser cannot be used to measure. Checking wheel calibration accuracy and laser calibration accuracy is recommended. Proper tape and chain measurements are taken with the chain or tape pulled tight but not off the soil surface.

**Row Length**. Measure between the two center rows of each set harvested and record the length for each of the rows in the set to the last whole foot. For example, if 8 rows were harvested in a set, measure between rows 4 and 5. If a waterway cuts through the contest area, then each row must be measured individually. Center pivot tracks should not be subtracted from row lengths.

Row Width in feet - (based on spacing of the planter row units, such as 20", 30", 36" etc. = 1.67', 2.5', 3', etc.).

Row Width (inches)	Row Width (feet)	Total Feet of Row Needed to Equal 1.2500 acres
15	1.2500	43,560
20	1.6667	32,669
30	2.5000	21,780
36	3.0000	18,150

## **Calculating Acres Harvested**

The total row length times the average row width divided by 43,560 (square feet in one acre) equals acres harvested.

Example: twelve-row harvester: If 24 rows were harvested and each row is 910 feet long and the row width is 2.5 feet, then 910 ft x 24 rows = 21,840 ft x 2.5 ft divided by 43,560 = 1.2534 acres.

## Weighing

All corn must be weighed on a state-inspected scale. The supervisor must weigh or oversee the weighing of the corn. A weigh ticket **must** be attached to the harvest report form. It must have the name of the company where the weighing was done and the name of the person doing the weighing written on it. Original weigh tickets are required, unless the entry is also an NCGA yield contest entry. Original weigh tickets must be submitted to NCGA for NCGA entries. Copies of NCGA entries are accepted for Kentucky Extension Yield Contest entries.

## **Moisture Testing**

The grain moisture can be tested with a certified moisture tester and must be supervised. Or, *three samples* can be tested with a non-certified tester (including portable testers) that has been calibrated. The average of the three readings is the official moisture for the contest. The supervisor(s) must be present for moisture testing.

## **Calculating Yield**

First, find the number of bushels of corn harvested, corrected to 15.5% moisture, then divide by the acres harvested to get bushels per acre.

To calculate bushels harvested, corrected to 15.5% moisture, take the total pounds of corn harvested, times the difference of 100% and the percent moisture in the corn, and divide by 47.32 (pounds of dry corn in one bushel of 15.5% corn).

Example: 19,000 pounds of corn at 21.35% moisture. 100% - 21.35% = 78.65% = 0.7865  $(19,000 \times .7865) / 47.32 = 315.7967$  bushels of corn at 15.5% moisture  $315.7967 \div 1.2534$  acres = 251.95 bushels per acre

## **Signed Entries**

Each supervisor who monitored the yield check must sign the harvest report form.

## **Completed Entries**

The 2018 Harvest Report Form (Form A) and the Summary of Agronomic Data Form (Form B) should be completed and forwarded to the State Corn Contest Committee no later than **November 16, 2018**, by the county agricultural agent or other designated person.

**Note:** Entries in the NCGA Corn Contest may be copied mailed to the Kentucky Extension Corn Contest. However, **please fill out** *Form B* (Summary of Agronomic Data) or provide a copy of the agronomic data submitted to NCGA and enclose it with a copy of the NCGA entry. The copy of the NCGA and Form B must be mailed to the State Corn Contest Committee to be eligible for the Kentucky Extension Corn Production Contest. The contestant is responsible for mailing the forms to the Kentucky Extension Corn Contest.