

Eligibility

- Participants must be Michigan Soybean Association members to submit an eligible entry. A membership can be purchased at the time of entry into the contest.
- Participants must be at least 18 years of age on or before the harvest reporting deadline.
- Contest winners agree to allow MSA and the Michigan Soybean Committee to use field data and personal information (name, city, photographs, etc.) in promotional and educational activities.

Awards

- Prizes will be given to the winner of each category. Top yield in each category determines the winner.
- All winners may be required to complete Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification.

Contest Categories

- Late maturity, non-irrigated (2.7 and above)
- Late maturity, irrigated (2.7 and above)
- Mid-maturity, non-irrigated (2.0-2.6)
- Mid-maturity, irrigated (2.0-2.6)
- Early maturity (1.9 and below)
- Non-GMO

Contest Entry & Harvest Rules

- Only 1 member of a farm entity may be considered the member. Farm entities may however have multiple memberships.
- There is a limit of two entries per farmer, per category.
- Each entry must be at least 5 continuous acres of only one soybean variety.
- The land entered must be either owned or leased by the entrant. If leased, the landowner is not eligible to enter the contest.
- The harvested area must be at least 2 continuous acres. Only one entry per field is permitted.
- Grain weights **MUST** be obtained from a state-certified scale with the ability to print a scale ticket.
- State certified weigh wagons are acceptable if a printed ticket can be obtained.
- Grain weights taken from yield monitors are **NOT** acceptable.
- Scale tickets must be uploaded with the harvest form.
- Grain moisture and test weight can be from portable or elevator equipment.

Contest Entry & Harvest Rules, continued

- Yields will be calculated on the basis of the weight of harvested soybeans, corrected to 13 percent moisture and converted to bushels per acre. The official yield is that which is calculated by MSA from data obtained from contest report forms.
- Entry forms are to be submitted by August 31, 2023 via online submission.
- Harvest forms are to be submitted by November 30, 2023 via online submission.
- Each person is eligible to win only once. If an entrant enters two varieties, one each in two categories, and both entries are the highest yielding of that category, they will be awarded only for the highest yielding of the two entries.
- A contest official may be a county extension agent, agricultural education instructor, staff person of the Natural Resource Conservation Service, Farm Credit Services representative, ag loan officer, competitive seed salesman, agriculture staff member of a state or private college, office manager of the Farm Service Agency, or a retired person from one of these occupations.
- The contest official must not have financial or direct business ties to the contestant or to a company selling agribusiness supplies to the contestant.
- The contest official must not be an immediate family member of the contestant.

Contest winners will be announced in December and recognized at the Michigan Soybean Association Annual Meeting.

Additional information, including the online entry form will be available on the Michigan Soybean Association website: www.misoy.org

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