



Soybean Yield Contest Rules and Regulations

ENTRY

Please read rules carefully. All rules set forth herein apply to all entrants and entries. Any entry is subject to further review. Any contestant committing fraud will be barred from the contest for three years. Contests, entries and entrants subject in all respects to official contest rules. Decisions of SGD are final in all SGD Soybean Yield Contest matters.

All requested grower, plant and grow, harvest, and certification and agreement information must be provided on the Seed Genetics Direct Soybeans Yield Contest Entry Form to be eligible. Forms must be completed and returned by 11 p.m. Eastern Time on Nov. 30, 2022 to a Seed Genetics Direct seedsman or mailed to Seed Genetics Direct at PO Box 32, Jeffersonville, Ohio 43128.

Entrant certifies that information given on entry application is accurate to the best of their knowledge and believes and agrees that all contest information provided by entrant pursuant to this SGD Soybean Yield Contest shall be the property of Seed Genetics Direct and can be used and distributed at the sole discretion of Seed Genetics Direct. Entrants agree to the release of planting and harvesting information, as well as name, likeness, city and state, image, field photos, to the media and public by SGD and industry partners. Entrant contact information may be provided to SGD industry partners. By entering contest, entrant confirms understanding and agreement to all rules, regulations, agreements and understandings.

The Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry Form is solely valid for the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest. It is NOT VALID for, and does not constitute entry in, any other yield contest.

Questions should be directed to your seedsman or James Jacobs, sales manager, at jamesj@seedgeneticsdirect.com or 740-505-1544.

ENTRY DEADLINE

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ENTRY FEE

There is no fee to enter the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest.

ENTRANT QUALIFICATIONS

Entrants must:

- Enter as an individual (farming operations must include an individual contact name. Multiple partners in a farming entity may enter different fields separately, but each entry must have a different individual

contact name and meet all contest rules and requirements).

- Be at least fourteen (14) years of age or older at the time of entry.
- Plant newly-purchased SGD soybeans or AGI soybeans purchase through SGD.
Seed Genetics Direct is a distributor of Advanced Genetics Inc. brand soybean varieties displaying the AGI logo. Licensee: 11491 Foundation Road, Croton, OHIO 43013
- Provide information and records to SGD of methods of handling and preparing the land; cultivation and weed control methods; insecticides, fungicides, herbicides, fertilizers and rates of usage; seeding rate; date of planting, type and brand of seeder, row width and date of harvesting.
- List only one variety of SGD soybeans or AGI soybeans purchased through SGD per field per entry.
- Complete all informational fields of the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry Form.
- Agree all contest information provided by me to the SGD Soybean Yield Contest shall be the property of Seed Genetics Direct and can be used and distributed at the sole discretion of Seed Genetics Direct including but not limited to distribution of my name, likeness, city, state, field photos, and planting and harvesting information to the media and public.
- Agree my contact information may be provided to SGD industry partners.

CONTEST FIELD QUALIFICATIONS

Contest entry must be at least 5 continuous acres (may be larger), planted with one seed variety/number of newly-purchased Seed Genetics Direct soybean seed or AGI soybeans purchased through Seed Genetics Direct.

“Continuous acres” means at least 5 acres (may be larger) of one seed entry defined by the uniform width and length of the seeder. In the interest of Best Management Practices, grass waterways and drainage ditches may be a part of the contest plot if, at some point in the 5 acres, the uniform seeder row spacing is evident. Finally, wheel tracks from any equipment operation or pass (i.e.: sprayer) through the plot area cannot be subtracted from the harvested plot-size calculation.

Contestant may select the best 1.25 or more acres to harvest in a soybean field that is larger than 1.25 acres. From a field of soybeans more than 5 acres in size (of one soybean seed entry), the entrant shall select an area of at least 5 acres of soybeans, of which no part has been harvested. The contest area may be any shape, but must be in one continuous block of soybeans without overlapping rows. The entrant must harvest at least 1.25 acres from this 5 acre area. A minimum of 1.5 acres must be harvested from the 5-acre plot. All end-rows and an equal number of side-rows for each seed entry must be removed before starting a supervised harvest.

The land entered in the contest must be owned or leased by the entrant. It also must be verified by a third-party Harvest Supervisor (witness) during the harvest period of the plot.

Harvest Supervisors must be able to determine location of each seed entry (variety/number) by a physical division in the field such as a:

- Skipped non-planted area, not part of contest acres
- Flag or other marker to determine division
- Definite planting pattern for each 5-acre plot

NOTE: Difference in physical appearance of the variety/number only will not qualify

HARVEST RULES AND REGULATIONS

A Harvest Supervisor (witness) must be present during the harvesting of the plot to verify that harvest rules were followed by the contest grower. The harvest supervisor(s) name must be provided on the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry Form. Growers entering the contest should secure a Harvest Supervisor prior to harvest. When entering the harvest data, the Harvest Supervisor's name, title, phone number, signature is needed before the harvest data is eligible for award consideration.

The "Harvest Information" section of Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry Forms is required to be completed by 11 p.m. Eastern Time on Nov. 30, 2022 and returned to a Seed Genetics Direct seedsman or mailed to Seed Genetics Direct at PO Box 32, Jeffersonville, Ohio 43128.

SGD may contact the grower to confirm the variety harvested is the same variety that was listed on the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry Form. SGD reserves the right to contact Harvest Supervisors to validate compliance with contest rules. SGD also reserves the right to observe any harvest.

It is the responsibility of the entrant to see that their Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry Form and all fields on entry form thoroughly and properly completed and submitted by 11 p.m. Eastern Time on Nov. 30, 2022 and returned to a Seed Genetics Direct seedsman or mailed to Seed Genetics Direct at PO Box 32, Jeffersonville, Ohio 43128.

Harvest 1.25 acres to complete initial check. If initial yield is above 95 bushels/acre, perform a recheck with remaining unharvested area. Grower must also contact SGD prior to recheck and invite SGD representative to recheck.

FORMULA: lbs harvested x (1 - %moisture) ÷ 52.2 ÷ acres harvested = yield

HARVEST SUPERVISOR QUALIFICATIONS

During harvest, each entrant must have a third-party supervisor (witness) witness the harvesting of contest entries. Supervisor information will be entered with harvest information. Supervisors must be one of the following:

- SGD seedsman (An SGD seedsman is not permitted to serve as a supervisor for national or state yield contests.)
- FFA Advisor
- Vocational or College Agriculture Instructor
- County Extension Agent or Assistant
- Natural Resources Conservation Service Employees
- Farm Service Agency CED/Loan Manager/Officer
- Soil & Water Conservation District
- Farm Credit Services Officer
- Bank Ag Loan Officer
- Private Crop Consultant or Agronomist
- State Soybeans Association Staff
- American Society of Farm Managers Accredited Farm Manager
- Crop Insurance Agents/Adjustors
- individual who retired with a previous title
- anyone else with approval from Seed Genetics Direct.

SGD reserves the right to have their designated representative's view and/or inspect soybeans seed or crop entered at any time.

Harvest Supervisors **cannot be** the following:

- An employee or relative of the contest entrant
- The contest entrant
- A staff member, employee, employer, manager of the contestant or of the contestant's farm.

The Harvest Supervisor(s) **is responsible for:**

- Being present during the harvesting of the entry field plot
- Overseeing all computations and field measurements
- Witnessing the harvesting and weighing for the field plot.
- Ensuring the entrant's combine and transfer auger are empty prior to harvest.
- Ensuring the entrant's wagons and trucks are empty prior to harvest.
- Signing the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry form to show that they were present at time of harvest and weighing.

Seed Genetics Direct reserves the right to contact Harvest Supervisors to validate compliance with contest rules. Seed Genetics Direct also reserves the right to observe any harvest.

INITIAL CHECK

All end/turning rows and the outermost rows on each side of the field must be harvested before starting an initial check. If the field is contoured or terraced, the area left unharvested must be in each contour or terrace interval, adjacent and equal to the area originally harvested. The entrant must harvest at least 1.25 acres in order to complete the initial check. The unharvested area of the plot will be used for the recheck if the initial check exceeds 95 bushels/acre, which is described below.

RECHECK

A recheck of 1.25 acres or more using the same harvest pattern in the rows next to the completed first check is required if the yield of the initial check exceeds 95 bushels/acre. Both the first check and the recheck must be submitted using the on-line Harvest Form, which will require scale tickets from each check. The higher yield resulting from a both the first check and recheck will be considered the official yield if the first check was harvested according to the requirements.

Any yield above 95 bushels must contact SGD prior to recheck and invite SGD representative to recheck.

MEASURING

Entries determined not to be measured and recorded properly may result in changes in official yield. Preferred measurement tools are a tape or chain. Measuring wheels are acceptable for measurements, but cannot be operated from a motorized vehicle. Checking wheel calibration accuracy is recommended. Each measurement must be recorded on the form submitted to SGD. Proper tape and chain measurements are taken with the measurement tool pulled tight but not off the ground surface. *GPS is not allowed as a measurement tool in the contest.*

Plot Length: If the rows are all the same length, measure the length and record same length for each of the rows harvested. If the rows are not all the same length, measure down the center of each set harvested and record the length for each of the rows in the set. (On pivot irrigation do not subtract wheel space).

Plot Width: In the interest of Best Management Practices, grass waterways may be a part of the contest plot if the uniform seeder row spacing is evident in the selected harvest acres.

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

Weighing: It is recommended to weigh the soybeans as soon as possible after harvesting. All soybeans must be weighed on a state certified scale, calibrated weigh wagon, or calibrated grain cart with the Harvest Supervisor witnessing the weighing. On-farm scales must be state inspected. The scale ticket should have the name of the company where the scaling was done. It is a good idea to record the name of the person doing the weighing. When submitting a weigh ticket, whether actual ticket, scan, or photo, please make sure that the ticket is legible. If the SGD receives a weigh ticket that is not legible, SGD will contact the grower for the original copy. **YIELD MONITORS ARE PROHIBITED.**

Supervisors must sign the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest Entry form to show that they were present at time of weighing.

Moisture Testing: Moisture percent must be listed on weigh ticket and/or harvest form. The moisture analysis measured at day of harvest will be used to determine yield.

Calculating Yield: All calculations will be carried to four decimal places by the Contest. The Contest will determine the pounds of soybeans harvested from the scale ticket gross and tare weights. It will be corrected to 0% moisture, then divided by a 0% moisture bushel weight, then divided by the acres harvested to get bushels per acre.

To calculate bushels harvested, corrected to 0% moisture (dry matter), take the total pounds of soybeans harvested, times the difference of 100% minus the percent moisture in the soybeans, and divide by 52.2 lbs./bu (pounds of soybeans in a bushel at 0% moisture).

FORMULA: lbs. harvested x (1 - % moisture as a decimal) ÷ 52.2 ÷ acres harvested = yield

Recognition and Awards

Winners determined by yields. Winners receive prizes only for highest award level attained, providing qualifications and agreements are met. Awards are non-transferrable and cannot be transferred to cash awards. Taxes, if applicable, are the sole responsibility of each prize winner. Decisions of SGD are final in all SGD Soybean Yield Contest matters.

Winners of the Seed Genetics Direct Soybean Yield Contest receive:

- **FIRST PLACE**
 - \$2,500 in SGD seed
 - \$2,500 in herbicide if Herbicides Direct customer; \$1,250 in herbicide if not
- **SECOND PLACE**
 - \$1,500 in SGD seed
 - \$1,500 in herbicide if Herbicides Direct customer; \$750 in herbicide if not
- **THIRD PLACE**
 - \$1,000 in SGD seed
 - \$1,000 in herbicide if Herbicides Direct customer; \$500 in herbicide if not.

Visit www.seedgeneticsdirect.com for more information and forms. All prizes subject to change.