

**Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA**

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**§ 1427.1087 Exemption from requirements.**

(a) If warehousing services in any area cannot be secured under the provisions of this subpart and no reasonable and economical alternative is available for securing such services for commodities under CCC programs, the President or Executive Vice President, CCC may exempt, in writing, applicants in such area from one or more of the standards of this subpart and may establish such other standards as are considered necessary to safeguard satisfactorily the interests of CCC.

(b) Warehousemen who are currently under contract with CCC will be required to meet the terms and conditions of these regulations at the time of renewal of their contract.

[44 FR 67085, Nov. 23, 1979, as amended at 44 FR 74797, Dec. 18, 1979]

**§ 1427.1088 Contract fees.**

(a) Each warehouseman who has a non-federally licensed cotton warehouse must pay an annual contract fee for each such warehouse for which the warehouseman requests renewal of an existing Cotton Storage Agreement or approval of a new Cotton Storage Agreement as follows:

(1) A warehouseman who has an existing Cotton Storage Agreement with CCC for the storage and handling of CCC-owned cotton or cotton pledged to CCC as loan collateral must pay an annual contract fee for each warehouse approved under such agreement in advance of the renewal date of such agreement.

(2) A warehouseman who does not have an existing Cotton Storage Agreement with CCC for the storage and handling of CCC-owned cotton or cotton pledged to CCC as loan collateral but who desires such an agreement must pay a contract fee for each warehouse for which CCC approval is sought prior to the time that the agreement is approved by CCC.

(b) The amount of the contract fee shall be determined and announced annually in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

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**§ 1427.1089 OMB Control Numbers assigned pursuant to Paperwork Reduction Act.**

The information collection requirements contained in this regulation (7 CFR part 1427) have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under provisions of 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB Numbers 0560-0040, 0560-0074, 0560-0027, and 0560-0059.

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**Subpart F—2002-Crop Cottonseed Payment Program**

SOURCE: 68 FR 20332, Apr. 25, 2003, unless otherwise noted.

**§ 1427.1100 Applicability.**

(a) This subpart sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) shall provide payments under the cottonseed payment program for the 2002 crop of cottonseed. Additional terms and conditions may be set forth in the application or other forms which must be executed to participate in the cottonseed payment program.

(b) Payments shall be available only for cottonseed produced and ginned in the United States.

**§ 1427.1101 Administration.**

(a) The cottonseed payment program shall be administered by the Executive Vice President, CCC, or a designee and carried out by employees of the Farm Service Agency (FSA).

(b) Representatives and employees of FSA have no authority to modify or waive any of the provisions of the regulations of this subpart.

(c) The Executive Vice President, CCC, or a designee, may determine any question arising under the program or reverse or modify any determination made by any FSA official or employee.

(d) The Deputy Administrator for Farm Programs, FSA, may specify, waive or modify deadlines and other program requirements where lateness or failure to meet such other requirements do not affect adversely the operation of the cottonseed payment program.

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(e) A representative of CCC may execute cottonseed payment program applications and related documents only under the terms and conditions determined and announced by CCC.

(f) Payment applications and related documents not executed in accordance with the terms and conditions determined and announced by CCC, including any purported execution outside of the dates authorized by CCC, shall be null and void except as otherwise provided in this part.

**§ 1427.1102 Definitions.**

The definitions in this section shall apply to the cottonseed payment program provided for in this subpart. The terms defined in §1427.3 of this part shall also be applicable to this subpart.

*Application period* means a period, as announced by CCC, during which applications for payments under the Cottonseed Payment Program must be received to be considered for payment.

*Cottonseed* means the seed from any varieties of upland cotton and extra long staple (ELS) cotton produced and ginned in the United States.

*Gin* means a person (*i.e.*, an individual, partnership, association, corporation, cooperative marketing association, estate, trust, State or political subdivision or agency thereof, or other legal entity) that removes cotton seed from cotton lint in commercial quantities.

*Lint* means cotton lint as contained in bales of cotton ordinarily marketed as cotton and excludes any linters, raw motes, re-ginned motes, cleaned motes, and any other gin waste or byproduct not traditionally defined as cotton lint.

*Number of ginned cotton bales* means the number of ginned running bales of cotton based on individual bale weights unadjusted to a uniform bale weight.

*Running bale* means a bale of cotton lint that has a minimum weight of 425 pounds and is not a bale of motes, linters, gin waste, or other gin byproduct.

*Ton* means a unit of weight equal to 2,000 pounds avoirdupois (907.18 kilograms).

**§ 1427.1103 Eligible cottonseed.**

*To be eligible for payments under this subpart, cottonseed must:*

(a) Have been grown in the United States during the 2002-crop production period.

(b) Have been ginned by the applicant from 2002-crop cotton.

(c) Not have been destroyed or damaged by fire, flood, or other events such that its loss or damage was compensated by other local, State, or Federal government or private or public insurance or disaster relief payments.

**§ 1427.1104 Eligible first handlers.**

(a) For the purpose of this subpart, an eligible first handler of cottonseed shall be a gin that ginned 2002-crop cotton.

(b) Applicants must comply with the terms and conditions set forth in this subpart and instructions issued by CCC, and sign and submit an accurate, legible and complete Cottonseed Payment Program Application and Certification.

(c) Applicants signing the cottonseed payment application or receiving payment under this subpart must share any payment with the producer of the cotton that was the basis of the cottonseed payment to the extent that the effect of low cottonseed prices was borne by the producer rather than the gin. To the extent that such funds will be shared with the producer by the gin, those funds will be considered to have been received by the applicant on behalf of such producers.

**§ 1427.1105 Payment application.**

(a) Payments in accordance with this subpart shall be made available only to eligible first handlers of cottonseed based on information provided on a Cottonseed Payment Program Application and Certification.

(b) Payment applications must be received by the program application deadline announced by CCC. Applications received after such application deadline will not be accepted for payment.

(c) Cottonseed Payment Program Application and Certifications may be obtained from the CCC as announced by press release. In order to participate in the cottonseed payment program under this subpart, first handlers of cottonseed must execute and submit to CCC according to announced instructions