

January 11, 2017

TO: Participants in the Mississippi Soybean Variety Trial

FROM: Brad A. Burgess
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RE: PROCEDURES FOR THE 2017 MISSISSIPPI SOYBEAN VARIETY TRIALS

Attached you will find the application for entering the 2017 Soybean Trials.

The Group IV's will be divided into an early and late test using 4.7 relative maturity as the dividing point. The Group V's will be divided into an early and late test using 5.7 relative maturity as the dividing point. There will be a separate RR Group III test planted, if the number of entries justifies a Group III only test. If there is not enough participation in the Group III test, these Group III entries may be planted along with the RR Group IV early test. There will be a total of ten Roundup Ready tests, four non-irrigated sites in the hills and four irrigated sites in the delta, consisting of all the Group IV's and V's. An additional two non-irrigated tests will be planted in the delta, consisting of maturity group IV's only. There will be four locations planted consisting of Liberty Link varieties, two in the delta (irrigated) and two in the hills (non-irrigated). There will be two locations planted consisting of Conventional varieties, one delta (irrigated) and one hill (non-irrigated) location. An attempt will be made to begin planting around second week of April.

The fee for entering this year's Mississippi Soybean Variety Trial will be \$700/entry for Roundup Ready Group III, IV & V; \$500/entry for Liberty Link Group IV; and \$300/entry for Conventional varieties. **All entries (seed) received after the March 20th deadline will be charged an additional \$100/entry. Each company will be invoiced for payment after all seed have arrived. Please do not send your payment until you have been invoiced**

Please note that we would like to have pod and pubescence color, flower color and hilum color submitted for each entry. It is also important to list relative maturity. This will allow varieties to be placed in the proper test.

If you would like to have a phone number listed so that producers can get information on your variety, please let us know and we will include this in the publication.

SEND COMPLETED ENTRY FORM & SEED TO:

MAFES VARIETY TESTING
ATTN: BRAD BURGESS
BOX 9811
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MISSISSIPPI STATE, MS 39762

**2017 SOYBEAN VARIETY TRIALS
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY**

***LOCATIONS AND **CHARGES:**

Group IV & V Conventional

Location

Brooksville (Non-irrigated)
Longwood (Irrigated)

****Charges = \$300/Entry, an additional \$100/entry applied if seed arrives after March 20th.
Treated Seed Preferred (fungicide & insecticide): 10 lbs/Entry*****

Group IV & V Liberty Link

Location

Stoneville clay (Irrigated)
Brooksville (Non-Irrigated)
Longwood (Irrigated)
Falkner (Non-Irrigated)

****Charges = \$500/Entry, an additional \$100/entry applied if seed arrives after March 20th.
Treated Seed Preferred (fungicide & insecticide): 20 lbs/Entry*****

**Roundup Ready
Group III, IV and V**

Location

Stoneville- clay (Irrigated)
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Stoneville- loam (Irrigated)
Clarksdale (Irrigated)
Clarksdale (Non-irrigated)
Brooksville (Non-irrigated)
Longwood (Irrigated)
Olive Branch (Non-irrigated)
Raymond (Non-irrigated)
Falkner (Non-irrigated)

****Charges = \$700/Entry, an additional \$100/entry applied if seed arrives after March 20th.
Treated Seed Preferred (fungicide & insecticide): 30 lbs/Entry*****

An individual MG III test will be planted only if there is enough participation. If not, you may request to have these group III varieties included in MG IV early tests/locations.

*LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY, GROWER PARTICIPATION, AND WEATHER. AN ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO PLANT ALL TRIALS AT OR NEAR THE DESIGNATED LOCATIONS.

**NO CHARGE FOR PUBLIC VARIETIES

***ANY SEED THAT ARRIVES UNTREATED WILL BE TREATED WITH A STANDARD FUNGICIDE/INSECTICIE TREATMENT BEFORE PACKAGING.