

RevEx Results:

Changes to Wisconsin Pesticide, Fertilizer and Feed Licensing Fee Structure

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The recently signed 2017-19 state budget contained changes to the fee structure for Wisconsin's pesticide, fertilizer and feed licensing fees and structure. These changes result from the RevEx project, DATCP's Bureau of Agrichemical Management's outreach effort to representatives from regulated agribusinesses with the goal of aligning the Bureau's revenues and expenditures to be more fair, efficient and effective. Changes include a fee holiday for the ACCP surcharge, meaning it will not be assessed in 2018 for the 2018 license year (dates vary). The surcharge holiday will be extended if the ACCP Fund balance on May 1 exceeds \$1.5 million. and probably for several years beyond. License years have been adjusted in a few cases as well. This is a summary of the changes. More detailed information is available online at https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/RevEx.aspx.

ACCP

- **Fee holiday**
 - No surcharge on pesticide products or pesticide & fertilizer license fees in 2018
 - No surcharge for the ACCP portion of fertilizer tonnage beginning July 1, 2018
 - In future, half fee will be charged if ACCP fund falls below \$1.5 million; full fee will be charged if fund falls below \$750,000, based on balance May 1 each year
- **Lifetime reimbursement** level increases to \$650,000, as of costs incurred July 1, 2017
- **Facilities built after July 2013** now eligible for ACCP reimbursement

Pesticide products

- **Flat \$500/product** beginning in 2018
 - Fee no longer tied to sales or product type
 - Must reconcile fees for final time for Jan. 1-Oct. 31, 2016-Sept. 30, 2017

Fertilizers

- **\$250 penalty for unregistered 25(b) products** found in the marketplace; no fee to register them
- **No percent-of-sale charge** permitted on retail invoices after Oct. 1, 2017
 - Dealer will be required to refund to customers if charged
- **License period** changes to October 1-September 30, with licenses issued August 15, 2017, extended to September 30, 2018
- **\$30 license fee** unchanged, but \$11.20 ACCP surcharge dropped for license year beginning October 1, 2018
- **Tonnage reporting year** remains July 1-June 30
- **Tonnage fee** will drop to \$0.62/ton for reporting year beginning July 1, 2018
- **Product permits** will have to be added, maintained or discontinued every year when license is renewed
- **New bulk storage location surcharge** beginning in 2019.
 - No charge if the ACCP fund is over \$1.5 million on May 1
 - \$12.50 if ACCP fund balance is \$750,000-\$1.5 million on May 1
 - \$25 if ACCP fund balance is less than \$750,000 on May 1

Soil and Plant Additives

- **License period** is the only change, changes to October 1-September 30, with licenses issued August 15-April 1, 2017, extended to September 30, 2018
- **Tonnage reporting year** remains changes from Jan. 1-Dec. 31 to July 1-June 30
- **Product permits** will have to be added, maintained or discontinued every year when license is renewed
- **All fees remain the same** as in the past
 - \$25 license fee
 - \$0.45/ton or \$25 minimum tonnage fee

- License has never been subject to ACCP surcharge

Feed

- **\$25 license fee** unchanged; has never been subject to ACCP surcharge
- **Tonnage fee structure** changed
 - **Reporting year** changes to March 1-April 30, beginning in 2019
 - 2018 reporting period will be January 1, 2018-February 28, 2019
 - \$0.25/ton for production or distribution over 200 tons/year, beginning with tonnage reporting for January 1, 2018-February 28Dec. 31, 20189
 - **New minimum \$50 fee** for production or distribution less than 200 tons/year, beginning with tonnage reporting for January 1, 2018-February 28Dec. 31, 20189
 - **Tonnage fees now required** for sales into or within Wisconsin
 - **No longer need to indicate on sales receipt or invoices** whether the tonnage fee was paid, but still must maintain records
- **Exempt buyers** and exempt buyers credit eliminated
- **Out-of-state sales credit** eliminated

Questions?

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