Payment protection for grain producers

How deferred payments can leave you without coverage



Licensed grain companies must provide security to the Canadian Grain Commission to cover money owed to producers for grain deliveries. When a licensed company fails to pay, the Safeguards for Grain Farmers Program uses the company's security to pay you **if your claim is eligible**.

Beware of deferred payments that fall outside of eligibility periods



There may be some potential benefits, such as tax savings, associated with deferred payments. However, when you defer a payment to a date outside of program eligibility periods, you are also opting out of payment protection offered through the Canadian Grain Commission.

Make sure you're eligible for payment protection by:



For your claim to be eligible, you must report non-payment to the Canadian Grain Commission within

 90 days from the date of your grain delivery; or 30 days from the date you are issued a cash purchase ticket or cheque, regardless of the date on it

The lesser of these two time periods applies.





Example 1

- You delivered grain on December 1 and received a combined primary elevator receipt
- On December 16, the company issued and delivered you a cheque that was postdated to January 20
- You are only eligible for compensation until January 15, 30 days after the licensee issued and delivered the cheque

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Example 2

- You have a contract for multiple grain deliveries and have agreed to receive payment after the last load has been delivered.
- You delivered grain on September 1, October 1, November 1 and December 1. The company issued and delivered you a cheque on December 16.
 - Your delivery on September 1 is not eligible for payment protection, because more than 90 days have passed
 - Your delivery on October 1 is eligible until December 30, because 90 days from the day of the delivery is less than 30 days from the date the cheque was issued
 - Your deliveries on November 1 and December 1 are eligible until January 15, **30 days after the licensee issued and delivered the cheque**











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