



## ILLINOIS CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION INC.

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Re: IL Crop phytosanitary requirements

As an accredited member of the National Seed Health System the Illinois Crop Improvement Association evaluates fields and breeding nurseries for signs and symptoms of plant pathogens.

Phytosanitary field inspections are performed by trained inspectors that examine the field for diseases and abnormalities caused by fungal, viral, bacterial and other pathogens and parasites. Inspectors take samples during the field inspection which are then submitted to a NSHS approved plant pathology lab for confirmation. All preliminary diagnosis made in the field, except common corn smut and common corn rust, are required to have lab confirmation to be considered present in the field at the time of inspection. A list of confirmed diseases is provided on each individual field report or as an attachment to the report.

A phytosanitary field inspection performed by a trained inspector from the Illinois Crop Improvement Association can be summarized as follows.

- Diseases named in the “Symptoms or Suspected Disease” area of the report are a preliminary diagnosis and must have lab confirmation to be considered present in the field at the time of inspection.
- Diseases not confirmed by laboratory analysis were not found in the field at the time of inspection. (Except for Common Corn Rust and Common Corn Smut which the inspector is allowed to diagnose without submitting a sample for lab confirmation)
- Diseases confirmed by lab analysis were found in the field at the time of inspection.

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at [zduray@ilcrop.com](mailto:zduray@ilcrop.com) or 217-359-4053.

Thank you.

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