

2025 Washington County Conservation District Corn Club Entry Rules

The purpose of the Washington County Corn Club is to provide an opportunity for corn producers and advisors to share information about intensive corn production in Washington County and to recognize the individual who has achieved the highest yield in the county. The club is a joint effort between the Washington County Conservation District, Penn State University Cooperative Extension, and local farmers. Please note the rules carefully.

Identify the field at the time of entry.

Important: Participation in the WCCD Corn Club does not change the rules that must be followed for the PA Five Acre Corn Club and the NCGA contest if you harvest the same field for both. (i.e. minimum field size, one single field, harvest pattern)

1. A corn club entry must be from a field at least 3 acres in size of one corn hybrid that is commercially sold in Pennsylvania. Where a field is split into multiple contour strips, the strips can be combined to total at least five acres.
2. The entry fee for the club is \$50. Payment should be made by check, it should be made payable to Washington County Conservation District (WCCD) and sent to WCCD c/o Tom Ulrich, 50 Old Hickory Ridge Road, Suite 1, Washington PA 15301 by July 4, 2024.
3. The club is open to any Washington County corn producer who is 14 years or older as of July 3, 2025. An individual is allowed to enter one entry. Entries are limited to two per farming operation.
4. All machine harvest yields will be determined by harvesting with machine and weighing the resulting grain on a certified scale. Samples for determining moisture content are to be placed in moisture proof bags at time of harvest. The moisture percent must be determined within 24 hours.
5. Yields will be obtained from an area that totals 1.0 acres. The harvest area cannot include the outside 4 rows of the field or the end rows of the field. To sample a field the entrant will harvest one pass, then skip a pass and then harvest another pass until the required 1.0 acres is harvested. If a re-check is required (see #8), the skipped rows and enough additional adjacent rows to make 1.0 acres must be left standing until the re-check is done.
6. The row length of each harvest pass or sample should be measured with a tape or measuring wheel. The row widths of should be based on the spacing of planter units. Guess rows between passes should be similar (within 10 inches) to the row spacing of the planter.
7. An independent harvest supervisor should be designated to certify the yields. The harvest supervisor should not have a financial interest or have direct ties to a company that sells agri-business input supplies.
8. If the initial yield measurement is 325 bu/ac or more, a re-check of the yield must be done with two supervisors submitted on a second harvest form. The yield measured in the re-check will be the official yield.
9. Enrollee must furnish all labor to harvest, weigh, and prepare samples for determining moisture content. These operations must be done in the presence of the official or officials certifying the yields.
10. An award will be given for the highest yield in the county. The winner will also be exempt from the entry fee for the following year.

2025 Washington County Conservation District Corn Club Entry Form

Entry Instructions:

The program is a collaboration between Washington County Conservation District, Penn State Extension, Seed Consultants, and local Washington County Farmers. Please read rules before filling out this form. Complete the form below by July 3, 2025; mail it, along with a check for \$50 made payable to Washington County Conservation District (WCCD). Send entry form and check to:

Washington County Conservation District

c/o Tom Ulrich

50 Old Hickory Ridge Road, Suite 1

Washington, PA 15301

If you have questions, contact Tom Ulrich @ 724-705-7098.

Prior to harvest, complete the harvest report form, which will be mailed to you in September.

Make arrangements for harvest with an approved harvest supervisor. Review the Harvest Rules for prior to harvest. Send your completed and signed harvest report form to Tom Ulrich by Dec 1, 2025.

Registration Information:

Name: _____

Farm Name: _____

Street Address (or P.O. Box): _____

City _____ State ____ Zip Code _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Field Name _____ Hybrid Brand _____ Hybrid Number _____

Previous Year Tillage Practice: _____

Current Year Tillage Practice: _____

Previous year crop: _____

Was there a previous cover crop? If so, specify species: _____

Will a cover crop be planted after this corn harvest? If so, specify species: _____

How will residue be managed after harvest? Left untouched _____ Disk _____

Chop Stalks _____ Vertical Tillage _____ Harvest Corn Stalks _____ Other (Specify) _____

Planter Make and Model _____ Number of Rows: _____ Row Spacing: _____

Row Cleaners? If so specify type: _____ Closing Wheel Setup / Type: _____