

Industry Advisory

2005 CAIS Forms Are Now Available

The 2005 CAIS Harmonized Forms and Guide are now available. Check the CAIS Web site under "What's New" for the link to the forms. Forms will be mailed later this month to all producers who selected a protection level for the 2005 program year.

Individuals will complete the new CAIS Harmonized form (T1273). This new form combines the income tax and CAIS forms and can be filed electronically. The Price List will be distributed separately from the harmonized form and will be available earlier than last year -- last week of February/first week of March 2006.

Individuals can electronically file their 2005 CAIS Harmonized Form using NETFILE and EFILE On-Line from February 13. 2006 until September 30, 2006. Certified software for NETFILE and EFILE On-line will be available on the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Web site in late January. Consult the list of certified software packages at www.cra-arc.gc.ca/eservices.

Entities (corporations/cooperatives) will complete the harmonized Statement A which now includes CAIS information. Entities with a January to September year end received their 2005 Corporation / Co-operative and Special Individual Harmonized Forms and Guide in November and December 2005. All other entities will receive their forms approximately two months after their fiscal year end. Price lists are included in forms packages for entities.

To download the 2005 CAIS Harmonized Forms and Guides, visit the CAIS Web site at www.agr.gc.ca/caisprogram.

Important: The financial and production information submitted on the CAIS harmonized form will be used only for calculating CAIS benefits, and will not be used by the Canada Revenue Agency for tax purposes.

DEADLINES

The deadline to submit the forms for the 2005 program year is June 15, 2006 for individuals, and June 30, 2006 for corporations, cooperatives and special individuals.

For more information, please contact the CAIS toll-free line at 1-866-367-8506 or visit the CAIS Web site at www.agr.gc.ca/caisprogram.

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