



## 2023 AMERICOT DROUGHT PROGRAM

Seed Drop Zone D (SOUTH TEXAS)

If, due to drought, the actual or estimated yield of your crop is less 175 pounds of lint per certified dryland cotton acre, the crop is considered a loss and is eligible to receive a reimbursement of the grower invoice price up to suggested retail price of the seed lost, less \$160.

### Program Conditions:

- **AM UA48 does not qualify for the Drought Program.**
- NexGen® brand cottonseed must have been purchased during the 2023 season. Seed purchased in previous years is not eligible.
- This program applies to certified dryland acres planted with NexGen brand cottonseed.
- Eligible cotton acres must be covered under the Multi Peril Crop Insurance Program.
- Seed previously qualifying for refund under the Americot Replant Program is ineligible for Americot's Drought Program.
- Drought must account for at least 50% of damage to affected acres, according to the Multi Peril Crop Insurance Program.
- Growers must use sound farm management practices, and make every attempt to establish a stand and produce a crop.
- Growers seeking a Drought Refund should contact their Dealer before tilling any field associated with a Drought Refund request.
- **Americot reserves the right inspect all claims while the crop is still in the field, and has the right to reject without settlement any claim not inspected by an Americot sales representative.**
- Dryland acres that have yield reduction attributable to hail, wind, blowing sand, flood, disease, pests, or any other reason are not eligible for settlement under this program.
- Americot has the right to reject without settlement any claims received after **November 15, 2023**.
- Factory overtreatments are not eligible to be reimbursed under the Americot Drought Program.
- If all required paperwork is not yet available, the completed Drought Claim Form and Proof of Purchase must still be submitted by the deadline to open a potential claim. If the Grower has a claim, the remaining required documentation may be submitted as soon as it is available.

### Claim Process:

- Grower contacts Dealer or Americot sales representative about claim.
- Dealer or Americot sales representative verifies the claim.
- Contingent upon approval and prior to the **November 15, 2023** deadline, Dealer completes Drought Claim Form (found at [www.cottonshare.com](http://www.cottonshare.com)) and emails it to Americot at [claims@americot.com](mailto:claims@americot.com), along with proof of purchase.
- Refund for seed will be issued via check made out to Dealer and Grower and mailed to the Dealer. If seed was purchased under the Americot 0% Finance Program, in lieu of issuance of a refund check to Dealer, Grower's outstanding balance will be reduced by the refund amount.
- Dealer must have a valid, signed Americot Dealer Agreement and the Grower must have a Technology Stewardship Agreement.

### Documentation Needed:

- Americot Drought Claim Form
- Proof of Purchase
- Federal Crop Insurance - Production worksheet (detailing drought as the cause of loss on both harvested and unharvested acres)
- FSA 578 (certifying acres as dryland or non-irrigated)
- Production Record (ASCS 503)