

Coverage Level	Premium per Cwt.
\$4.50	\$0.010
\$5.00	\$0.025
\$5.50	\$0.040
\$6.00	\$0.055
\$6.50	\$0.090
\$7.00	\$0.217
\$7.50	\$0.300
\$8.00	\$0.475

(3) Special rule

The premium per hundredweight specified in the table contained in paragraph (2) for each coverage level (except the \$8.00 coverage level) shall be reduced by 25 percent for each of calendar years 2014 and 2015.

(c) Premium per hundredweight for production in excess of 4 million pounds

(1) In general

For milk marketings in excess of 4,000,000 pounds included in the production history of a participating dairy operation, the premium per hundredweight for each coverage level is specified in the table contained in paragraph (2).

(2) Producer premiums

The following annual premiums apply:

Coverage Level	Premium per Cwt.
\$4.00	None
\$4.50	\$0.020
\$5.00	\$0.040
\$5.50	\$0.100
\$6.00	\$0.155
\$6.50	\$0.290
\$7.00	\$0.830
\$7.50	\$1.060
\$8.00	\$1.360

(d) Time for payment of premium

The Secretary shall provide more than 1 method by which a participating dairy operation may pay the premium required under this section in any manner that maximizes participating dairy operation payment flexibility and program integrity.

(e) Premium obligations

(1) Pro-ration of premium for new participants

In the case of a participating dairy operation that first registers to participate in the margin protection program for a calendar year after the start of the calendar year, the participating dairy operation shall pay a pro-rated premium for that calendar year based on the portion of the calendar year for which the participating dairy operation purchases the coverage.

(2) Legal obligation

A participating dairy operation in the margin protection program for a calendar year shall be legally obligated to pay the applicable premium for that calendar year, except that the Secretary may waive that obligation, under terms and conditions determined by the Secretary, for any participating dairy operation in the case of death, retirement, permanent dissolution of a participating dairy oper-

ation, or other circumstances as the Secretary considers appropriate to ensure the integrity of the program.

(Pub. L. 113-79, title I, §1407, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 691.)

§ 9058. Effect of failure to pay administrative fees or premiums

(a) Loss of benefits

A participating dairy operation that fails to pay the required annual administrative fee under section 9054 of this title or is in arrears on premium payments under section 9057 of this title—

(1) remains legally obligated to pay the administrative fee or premiums, as the case may be; and

(2) may not receive margin protection payments until the fees or premiums are fully paid.

(b) Enforcement

The Secretary may take such action as necessary to collect administrative fees and premium payments for participation in the margin protection program.

(Pub. L. 113-79, title I, §1408, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 693.)

§ 9059. Duration

The margin protection program shall end on December 31, 2018.

(Pub. L. 113-79, title I, §1409, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 693.)

§ 9060. Administration and enforcement

(a) In general

The Secretary shall promulgate regulations to address administrative and enforcement issues involved in carrying out the margin protection program.

(b) Reconstitution

The Secretary shall promulgate regulations to prohibit a dairy producer from reconstituting a dairy operation for the purpose of the dairy producer receiving margin protection payments.

(c) Administrative appeals

Using authorities under section 1308(h) of this title and subtitle H of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act (7 U.S.C. 6991 et seq.), the Secretary shall promulgate regulations to provide for administrative appeals of decisions of the Secretary that are adverse to participants of the margin protection program.

(Pub. L. 113-79, title I, §1410, Feb. 7, 2014, 128 Stat. 693.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act, referred to in subsec. (c), probably means the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 which is title II of Pub. L. 103-354, Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3209. Subtitle H of the Act is classified principally to subchapter VIII (§6991 et seq.) of chapter 98 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

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