

Overview of CCC and FSA Payment Options

Introduction

As a recipient of a Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) or Farm Service Agency (FSA) payment, there are 3 options available to you on how that payment can be made. These payment options are as follows:

- Option 1: **Producer Payment.** The payment is made directly to you as the payee.
- Option 2: **Joint Payment.** The payment is made to you and a joint payee as authorized by you.
- Option 3: **Assigned Payment.** The payment is made to an assignee as authorized by you.

Option 1: Producer Payment

What is a producer payment? A **producer payment** is a payment made payable to the producer earning the payment.

How do I request a producer payment? No special request is required to receive a payment in this manner. The producer payment option will always be used unless the producer requests another payment option in writing.

How will I receive my payment? An electronic funds transfer (EFT) is credited to the producer's bank account as indicated on the form, if a SF-1199A, Direct Deposit Sign-Up Form or SF-3881, ACH Vendor/Miscellaneous Payment Enrollment Form is on file. Otherwise, a check is mailed to the producer at the address on file in the issuing local FSA Office. With either payment method, the Disbursement Statement is mailed to the producer's address on file.

Option 2: Joint Payment

What is a joint payment? A **joint payment** is a check made payable to the producer and the joint payee at the request of the producer. The joint payee option is available for the convenience of the producer or an interested third party. A joint payment will be made only after all claims, debts, and assignments on file in the local FSA Office at the time a payment is made have been liquidated.

How do I request a joint payment? Only program benefits applicable to FSA or CCC programs publicly announced are eligible for joint payment. If the producer wishes to have payment made to joint payees, a joint payment record must be established using the web-based application by the:

- producer, or
- local FSA office

If a producer does not use the web-based joint payment application, form CCC-37, Joint Payment Authorization, must be completed, signed by the producer and the joint payee, and submitted to the local FSA Office making the payment. Form CCC-37 is available from your local FSA Office.

What are the endorsement requirements of the check when it is a joint payment? If a joint payment is requested by the producer, the check is made payable to both the producer and the joint payee. It must be endorsed by **both** parties.

Where is the check mailed? If a joint payment is requested, the check and the Disbursement Statement are mailed to the producer's address on file in the local FSA Office.

**Option 2:
Joint Payment,
Continued**

How do I terminate or withdraw a joint payment option? The producer can withdraw the joint payment request in writing at any time, with the concurrence of the joint payee. The written request must be signed by both the producer and the joint payee and submitted to the local FSA Office making the payment.

**Option 3:
Assigned Payment**

What is an assigned payment? An assigned payment is the transfer of the right to receive the payment from a producer who is eligible to receive FSA or CCC farm program payment to an assignee. FSA and CCC will allow a producer to assign the right to receive a selected payment to another party, such as, a financial institution. This third party is called an assignee. Payments to an assignee will be made only after liquidation of the following, regardless of date the assignee accepts the assignment on web-based application or the date. CCC-36, Assignment of Payment, is submitted to the local FSA Office:

- all claims and receivables due FSA and CCC
- all IRS notes of levy
- all claims due other Government Agencies.

How do I request an assigned payment? Only program benefits applicable to FSA or CCC programs publicly announced are eligible for assignment. If the producer wishes to have payment made to an assignee, an assignment record must be established using the web-based application by the:

- producer and accepted by the assignee, or
- local FSA Office

If a producer or assignee does not use the web-based assignment application, form CCC-36 must be completed, signed by the producer and the assignee, and submitted to the local FSA Office making the payment. Form CCC-36 is available from your local FSA Office.

How can assigned payments be made? An assigned payment can be issued either by EFT or by check. To be eligible for EFT, the assignee must complete and submit form SF-1199A or SF-3881 to the local FSA Office. These forms are available from your local FSA Office.

How is the assigned payment delivered? If an assigned payment is issued by check it is mailed to the assignee's address on file. If an assigned payment is issued by EFT, it will be deposited directly to the assignee's bank account on file. The Disbursement Statements are mailed to the producer's and assignee's address on file for both cases.

How is an assigned payment option terminated or withdrawn? An assignment can be terminated or withdrawn by the assignee. A signed written request by the assignee must be submitted to the local FSA Office where the CCC-36 is submitted.

**Forms
Availability**

In addition to contacting your local FSA Office for forms referenced on this form, they are also available from <http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/eforms/mainservlet>.

**Contact for
Questions**

Contact your local FSA Office if you have questions or if additional information is required.
