

# Automated Crop Reporting Summary



## What is Automated Crop Reporting?

Automated Crop Reporting allows producers using precision farming systems (like GreenStar™) along with farm management software (like Apex™) to easily submit acreage and production reporting to their John Deere crop insurance agent. This helps streamline the process of communicating required field information for government agencies and saves time while simplifying crop insurance reporting.

## Benefits of Automated Crop Reporting:

- ✓ Convenience: Simplifies the complex and time consuming semi-annual crop reporting requirement through automated data capture.
- ✓ Return on investment: Enhance the functionality of your precision farming systems beyond guidance, to also manage crop reporting.
- ✓ Accuracy: Properly installed and set-up systems will deliver accurate planting and harvest information.

## Explanation of GreenStar, Apex, and GSDNet

GreenStar is the *hardware system* installed on tractors used to automate many of the equipment functions. You may hear this referred to as "Precision Farming". The basic components of GreenStar are a Display and Receiver.



Apex is the *software* that helps the producer manage the information coming from the GreenStar system. It can show field boundaries, yield maps, planting and spraying details, among many other functions.

GSDNet is an "*internet gateway*" that transfers information to and from Apex. *GSDNet can be used to send field boundary, planting and harvest information from Apex to a John Deere crop insurance agent.*

## How can I learn more about Automated Crop Reporting?

Visit [AutomatedCropReporting.com](http://AutomatedCropReporting.com) to find an agent near you and learn more about how this process can help make your acreage and crop production reporting faster, easier, and more complete.

This process is only available through a John Deere crop insurance agency.

## How do I get started with Automated Crop Reporting?

Talk to your local John Deere crop insurance agent about Automated Crop Reporting. You'll need to follow these basic steps:

- 1) Install a precision farming system (like GreenStar) on your planting and harvesting equipment.
- 2) Install and understand how to use farm software (like Apex) on your computer.
- 3) Properly set up documentation to capture field boundaries, planting, and harvest information.
- 4) If you have Apex 2.6 or higher, you can use GSDNet to upload your field data directly to your local John Deere crop insurance agent. If you have an earlier version of Apex, or other farm software, your agent can help you with instructions to export that information to a CD or flash drive.
- 5) Once you've provided the necessary information from your farm software, your agent can verify the information, then provide you with a report that will be helpful at the FSA office. This should save you time and provide accurate information for crop certification and crop insurance needs.



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