



2021 UMN Forever Green Kernza®

Applying to be a Kernza® Grower in 2021

- 1. APPLY:** Complete a Kernza Grower Application here: <http://bit.ly/2021KernzaGrowerApp>
- 2. REVIEW:** UMN Forever Green along with TLI will review applications from growers in MN and the Upper Midwest against the stated licensing priorities and make a decision. UMN Forever Green and/or TLI may contact you to discuss your interest and plans with Kernza. IN MN and the Upper Midwest, UMN Forever Green may liaise with early adopter producers and businesses to ensure that new applications support the broader Kernza enterprise development already underway.
- 3. LICENSING:** Approved growers will be notified by TLI and sent grower trademark licensing documents to sign. Growers must sign and return licensing documents before buying seed.
- 4. BUY SEED:** TLI will send licensed growers a list of approved seed sources. Only licensed growers will be approved to buy seed. Purchases of seed are made directly between growers and approved seed sources. UMN Forever Green and TLI are not selling seed in 2021. For UMN's first Kernza variety, MN-Clearwater, two MN seed companies and one WI seed company are licensed to grow, buy, sell, and distribute MN-Clearwater variety Kernza seed. TLI has licensed seed companies in other states to sell TLI germplasm.

The above steps must be followed to become a licensed Kernza grower, buy seed from an approved source, and sell IWG grain and forage products as Kernza® perennial grain.

Questions about 2021 Kernza Grower Application?

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