

The Advance Payments Program is a financial loan guarantee program from Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada that gives producers easier access to credit through cash advances. For producers, the new APP means improved cash flow throughout the year and better opportunities for marketing their agricultural products. For APP information, see www4.agr.gc.ca/AAFC-AAC/display-afficher

Producer organizations deliver the APP program on behalf of AAFC. The Alberta Sheep & Wool Commission has arranged for the program to be offered to Alberta sheep producers through the Manitoba Livestock Producers, as they already have the financing and procedures in place. It is a very cost-effective way for us to facilitate this service.

Who Can Apply (Producers)

To be eligible for a cash advance under the Advance Payments Program (APP), you must be:

- a Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- a corporation, cooperative or partnership of which the majority interest is held by Canadian citizens or permanent residents

The producer or one of the producer's individual interest holders:

- must be of the age of majority in the province of operation
- must be principally occupied in farming
- must own the agricultural product
- must be responsible for its marketing

How to Apply (Producers)

Alberta sheep producers must obtain their cash advances through the Manitoba Livestock Producers, there is a fee due with the application, processing takes 7-10 days and advances are paid by electronic funds transfer (EFT). The contacts at the producer organizations will be able to guide you through the process of submitting an application for a cash advance under the APP.

More information and the application forms are available at www.manitobalivestock.com

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