MEMORANDUM

TO: Personnel Concerned with Soybean Variety Testing

FROM: Kyle Stephens, SC Variety Test Coordinator

SUBJECT: 2026 Soybean Trials

This is 2026 application for the South Carolina soybean trials. Please complete the application and email it back to me at rstphns@clemson.edu
No changes have been made in the fees for this year.

Continued for 2026, SC Variety testing will be offering a group 4 soybean test, note the earlier deadline date. We will plant 5 locations (Pee Dee REC dryland and irrigated, Edisto REC dryland and irrigated, Simpson REC dyland). We will need at least 15 entries to make this feasible.

The deadline for application and seed delivery is March 15, 2026.

All questions, comments, and concerns about the soybean OVT's should be addressed to
Kyle Stephens at:

Kyle Stephens
191 Old Cherry Rd.
Clemson, SC 29634
(O) 864-656-2520
(C) 864-506-5384
email: rstphns@clemson.edu

Seed should still be shipped to:

Soybean OVT
Germplasm Building
179 Old Cherry Road
Clemson, SC 29634
(864) 506-5384

The application is no longer to be considered as an invoice for the variety test fees. You will be sent an official Clemson University Business Office invoice separately. The checks will be mailed directly to the Business Office. Do not send any checks.

Data updates are always available first on the WEB site:

https://www.clemson.edu/cafls/research/vt/

TEST COMPOSITION

The test will be divided into separate tests by maturity group (Groups IV, V, V, VI, VII, and VIII).
The test will consist of one large conventionally managed test with RR, LL, and other varieties unless a sufficient number of entries are received for each category to warrant dividing the test based on traits.
Please indicate if a variety is RR. LL, or etc.!

TEST LOCATIONS – 3 REPLICATES PER LOCATION

Blackville -dry land & irrigated
Florence - dry land & irrigated
Clemson – dry land

FEES AND APPLICATION FORMS

There is a fee of $600 for each entry submitted.

SEED REQUIREMENTS

All seed should be packaged in sturdy bags and shipped to the above address to arrive no later than March 15, 2026.

Fifteen (15) lbs. of seed will be required for each entry in the Test.

Treated seed must be labeled with the name of the treatment.

DO NOT INCLUDE THE NAME AGRONOMY, CROP & SOIL ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, OR ENTOMOLOGY, SOILS, AND PLANT SCIENCES IN THE SHIPPING ADDRESS. THIS CAUSES DELIVERIES TO BE ROUTED TO THE WRONG BUILDING.

APPLICATION FOR TESTING SOYBEAN VARIETIES AND STRAINS - 2026

This form constitutes an official application whereby commercial seed companies having a bona fide soybean breeding program may submit released varieties and experimental strains of soybean for inclusion in the performance tests.

Do not pay fees with this application an invoice will be sent to you.

Please send Applications ASAP!Seed should be packaged in a sturdy bag and received in Clemson by March 15, 2026 Fifteen (15) pounds of seed will be sufficient for each entry in the Test. Please indicate if entry has disease and/or nematode resistance and/or herbicide tolerance in the appropriate column below.

Name, address, telephone and FAX number, and e-mail of commercial seed company and contact person

NAME:
COMPANY:.
ADDRESS:
PHONE:
FAX:
e-mail:

VARIETIES AND STRAINS

COMPANY OR BRAND NAME	VARIETY OR STRAIN	Maturity Group	Released variety or strain?	Glyphosate Resistant (?)	General comments relative to pest resistance,outstanding characteristics, etc.