Standardizing Corn Terminology

LOT TERMS

**Sheller lot:** sample submitted after shelling, first testing on this lot of corn

**Finished lot:** sample submitted after conditioning/sizing, normally treated and put in some type of container, mini bulk, 80K bag

**Carryover lot:** sample submitted from finished lot that did not get sold and was carried over in warehouse

**Rebagged lot:** sample submitted from finished lot that got delivered to a farm site but not all units got planted and some bags were returned to warehousing

TESTING EVENT TERMS

**Date testing:** sample submitted from any lot needing a germination date in a specific month/year such as November or December

**Referee testing:** sample submitted from any lot need additional testing due to a failing or questionable test result

OTHER TERMS

**New Crop:** both sheller and finished are new crop year production

**Kind:** Hybrid Corn, inbred corn, popcorn, sweet corn

**Single Kind:** one unblended 95% plus hybrid seed

**Blend:** blend or two or more hybrids (Refugee in a Bag, RIB)

**Mixtures:** two different kinds—yellow dent corn and white dent corn mixed—not common

SEED AMENDMENTS

**Raw:** no products applied to seed

**Chemical Treatment:** fungicide and/or insecticide chemical plus contrasting colorant

**Biological Treatment:** non-chemical “organic” amendment. Organic Seed is an example

**Coated:** example could be a delay coating like Intellicoat® on inbreds—maybe treated

CONTAINERS

**Bulk:** large volume of corn usually unsized seed and not a finished lot

**Mini Bulk:** fast filling container with finished corn, 35 to 50 units depending on size and weight

**Units:** 80,000 kernels in a paper bag is normally considered a unit