

Make sure your colonies are registered with OMAF if you plan to apply for compensation..



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## Procedure and guidelines for compensation program

By now most of you will have received the forms for the new Beekeepers Financial Assistance Program from the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food. We want to point out that you **MUST** have your colonies registered with the Province in order to be eligible for this program. If you haven't done so already, you can find the forms [here](#).

An overview of the whole program can be found [here](#), but following are a few facts:

- The program is designed to cover up to 160% of the original hives you registered for 2014. If you lose all your hives over the winter, you can replace them all and know they're still covered for in-season losses.
- If you started beekeeping after March 31, 2014, you are eligible for the season starting April 1, 2014.
- Keep all receipts and other records of any purchases and inventory changes of beehives over the year. They may be used to validate any claims you make.
- The deadline for overwinter losses is June 20, 2014
- The deadline for In-season losses is November 21, 2014

For further information, you can contact your local bee inspector. [Here](#) is the list.

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