Program Requirements and Steps

1. Enroll on PFI’s website (practicalfarmers.org/cover-crop-cost-share)
   - The enrollment form is embedded on the webpage. If you want to learn more about the program and receive a call from a PFI staffer before enrolling in the program, only fill out the first page of the application and a team member will get back to you!

2. Sign an agreement
   - This is an agreement between Practical Farmers of Iowa and the contract holder. If for some reason the contract conditions cannot be satisfied, the contract will be canceled with no cost-share paid on the enrolled acres and with no penalty to the contract holder.

3. Talk to a PFI agronomist if new to cover crops to discuss cover crop management plan.

4. Attend a learning event (connect with other farmers!)
   - Examples of learning events: Field days, farminars, shared learning calls, or other cover crop related events.
   - **Note:** If attending an event in person isn’t feasible, then viewing a recording of an event is satisfactory. See PFI’s YouTube channel for virtual options available.

5. Submit cover crop receipts no later than **December 15, 2023**.
   - Receipts that show the amount of seed purchased or total acres seeded are acceptable and can be sent via text or email to covercrops@practicalfarmers.org with your name in the subject line.

6. Submit a wrap-up survey with program feedback no later than **December 15, 2023**.
   - The survey will take about 15-20 minutes to complete. Receipts can also be submitted by uploading them to this form.

7. If noted in your agreement, submit proof to PFI of crop settlement statements from 2023 no later than **January 15, 2024**.

8. Payments will be processed as soon as all relevant paperwork is received and confirmed, as early as November 2023. All payments will be processed by **March 31, 2024**.

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