STORED CHIP POTATOES Crop Code: 1304

Standard Message:

NOTE: If scab is a problem, disregard any limestone recommendation. Apply none at all.

Limestone recommendation, if any, is to bring the soil pH to 6.0. For most other vegetable and agronomic crops, a soil pH of 6.5 is recommended. Multiply the exchangeable acidity by 840 to estimate the lime requirement for pH 6.5.

If limestone is recommended, do not apply more than 3000 pounds per acre of calcium carbonate equivalent the year before planting potatoes. The remainder should be applied after the potato crop has been harvested.

When planting potatoes following a legume or legume grass mix, the amount of N supplied should be factored into a fertilization program. A general rule would be to estimate a minimum of 80 lb of N being supplied by the previous legume or legume/grass mixture.

Livestock manure is recommended in moderate amounts. Apply only enough manure to partially supply the crop nutrient needs. Be sure to reduce the amount of fertilizer applied after manure applications. Excessive use of manure may aggravate a common scab problem.

Make adjustments in your plant nutrient needs based on your previous cropping experience. Take into account the variety planted, management practices and the use of the potatoes that are being produced. If vine growth has been excessive in past seasons, reduce N applications. Excess N may improve yield but will often reduce storage life, promote color problems, and reduce specific gravities.

See back message 7,12, and 13 for additional information.

Lime and Magnesium Recommendation:

pH Goal: 6.0

Opt soil test Mg (ppm): 100

Nitrogen Recommendation (lb N/A): 200

Phosphorus Recommendation (lb P2O5/A):

(Optimum soil test P: 35 - 55 p

Potassium Recommendation (lb K2O/A):

(Optimum soil test K: 100 - 200 ppm)

Soil test P (ppm)	P2O5 lb/A		
0	240		
5	220		
10	200		
15	170		
20	150		
25	125		
30	100		
35	80		
40	60		
45	50		
50	50		
55	50		
60	50		
65	50		
70	50		
75	50		
80	50		
85	50		
90	50		
95			

Soil test K (ppm)	K2O lb/A)		
0	430		
20	430		
30	420		
30	400		
40	375		
50	350		
60	325		
70	300		
80	280		
90	260		
100	240		
110	220		
120	190		
130	175		
140	140		
150	120		
160	100		
170	75		
180	50		
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