



MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Texas Cotton Association
From: Amy Bain, 2026-2028 TCA President
Date: September 21, 2026
Re: TCA Trading Rules Sunset

The Texas Cotton Association (TCA) announces that it will sunset its offering and maintenance of the TCA Trading Rules effective January 2027, for the 2027 crop and thereafter. Beginning with the 2027 crop, TCA will no longer publish, maintain, interpret, or administer the TCA Trading Rules or related arbitration services.

This decision follows a period of close engagement between TCA and the American Cotton Shippers Association (ACSA). Working alongside ACSA and its members, TCA contributed to the development of the consolidated ACSA Trading Rules, a single, unified set of trading rules designed to serve the cotton trading community nationally rather than through separate, regionally maintained rule sets.

TCA endorses the use of the consolidated ACSA Trading Rules moving forward and encourages its members to reference and incorporate those rules in their contracts for the 2027 crop and thereafter.

In connection with this transition, ACSA has committed to an annual review of the consolidated ACSA Trading Rules, including consideration of stakeholder input, so that the rules remain contemporary and relevant across all cotton trading geographies within the United States. TCA members will continue to have a voice in that process, and TCA will remain engaged with ACSA on behalf of its membership.

We appreciate the many members who have contributed to the TCA Trading Rules over the years, and we are confident that a single, nationally maintained set of rules best serves the industry going forward.