

# **Soya Bean Harvesting Tips**

This 30 day window gives the farmer enough time to harvest before they start shattering. Another reason farmers should harvest soya beans at the right time is due to moisture loss since the beans loose moisture when left in the field for so long. Typically, soya beans are harvested at 12% moisture and if left in the field for so long the moisture reduces to 8-10% which leads to a reduction in yield when it comes to weighing the produce, thus loosing money. When it comes to storing soya beans, they are first shelled then put away in bags. Soya beans should therefore not be harvested at more than 12% moisture as they will start to mold which in turn leads to a rejection by farmers.

## **Why soya beans should be harvested at 12% moisture.**

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