The Hines, Shaw, White,

“University of Illinois (0-5) Stalk Rot Rating Scale”

for use at, or after, kernel black layer during corn stalk splitting.

0 = no visible discoloration of the internal below ear stalk nodes or pith.

1 = internal discoloration at the stalk nodes below the ear.

2 = internal discoloration at the stalk nodes and in the pith below the ear.

3 = pith separation occurring below the ear.

4 = complete discoloration and decay of the pith between at least two nodes below the ear, but stalk still standing.

5 = stalk lodged below the ear due to stalk rot.

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A 5 is a 4 that is lodged due to stalk rot.