WAC 16-354-100 Hop planting stock tolerances. (1) In order to allow for variations incident to proper grading and packing, not more than a combined total of six percent, by count, of the planting stock in any lot shall fail to meet the requirements of Washington No. 1, and not more than six percent of the planting stock shall have rhizomes or layered stem cuttings less than five inches in length.

(2) In order to insure lot uniformity, no individual container within a lot may contain more than one and one-half times the established tolerance.

(3) Hop plants shall be packed to retain a fresh condition.

(4) The department may inspect planting stock from registered mother blocks after harvest and packing for the purpose of verifying that it meets grades and standards established in rule.

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