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**RULES FOR BIRDSFOOT TREFOIL SEED CERTIFICATION**

I, Cameron S. Adams, Acting Director of Agriculture of the State of Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me under Chapter 15.48 RCW, Laws of 1961, after due notice as provided under Chapters 42.32 and 34.04 RCW, and a public hearing held in Yakima, Washington, on March 15, 1965, do hereby promulgate the following regulation relating to certification of birdsfoot trefoil seed:

Regulation 1. The General Rules for Seed Certification are basic and together with the following specific rules constitute the rules for birdsfoot trefoil seed certification.

Section 1. The variety eligible and the certification scheme is:

Cascade Birdsfoot Trefoil                      Foundation to Registered to Certified

Section 2. Fees for certification of trefoil seed.

1. Seedling applications: (Due within 60 days after planting)

- a. Seedling application fee - - - - - \$10.00
  - b. Late penalty fee - - - - - \$10.00
- An additional fee shall be charged for each seedling application received more than 60 days after planting. Seedling applications are not acceptable more than six months after planting.

2. Renewal applications: (Due June 15)

- a. Renewal application fee - - - - - \$10.00
  - b. Acreage fee - - - - - \$ .50 per acre  
(Refundable if acreage is withdrawn before inspection)
  - c. Late penalty fee - - - - - \$10.00
- An additional fee shall be charged on each renewal application received after June 15. Renewal applications are not acceptable after July 31.

3. Reinspection fee - - - - - \$10.00 each

If a field is rejected for certification, the grower may apply for reinspection after the cause for rejection has been corrected. Only two reinspections are permitted for each field each year.

4. Sampling fee - - - - - \$ .10 per 100 lbs.

5. Tagging fee - - - - - \$ .15 per 100 lbs.

The tagging fee is billed at completion of germination tests and payable in advance of tagging. If a lot of seed is eligible for tagging and none of the seed is tagged, 10 cents of the 15 cents per cwt. charged is refundable upon request. Request for this refund must be submitted by August 1 of the year following harvest.

6. Purity and germination test: Fees as established by the Director of Agriculture.

7. Fees for resampling, retagging, or services not listed shall be the most applicable fee established by the Director of Agriculture.

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Section 3. Land requirements shall be as follows:

1. A field to be planted with Breeder seed for the production of Foundation seed must not have grown or have been seeded to Birds-foot Trefoil during the preceding five years.
2. A field to be planted with Foundation seed for the production of Registered seed must not have grown or have been seeded to birds-foot trefoil during the preceding four years.
3. A field to be planted with Foundation or Registered seed for the production of certified seed must not have grown or have been seeded to birdsfoot trefoil during the preceding three years.
4. Reseeding of a field because of failure or partial failure of the first seeding may be done with permission of the Seed Branch.
5. Ditchbanks, roadways, etc., adjacent to a Certified field must be free of volunteer birdsfoot trefoil and noxious weeds.
6. Volunteer plants in the field may be cause for rejection or reclassification of a seed field.
7. No manure or other contaminating materials shall be applied one year preceding and during the establishment and productive period of the stand.
8. Certification shall be limited to stands not exceeding five years of age, except for a variety grown outside its region of adaptation, in which case certification shall be limited to stands not exceeding three years of age.

Section 4. Isolation requirements shall be as follows:

1. Birdsfoot trefoil for certification shall be isolated from all other varieties of birdsfoot trefoil or fields of the same variety not meeting varietal purity requirements for certification as follows:

CLASS PLANTED	CLASS PRODUCED	FIELDS LESS THAN 5 ACRES	FIELDS 5 ACRES OR MORE
Breeder	Foundation	1,320 feet	1,320 feet
Foundation	Registered	900 feet	650 feet
Foundation	Certified	650 feet	350 feet
Registered	Certified	650 feet	350 feet

2. Isolation between different classes (generations) of the same variety shall be as follows:

CLASS PLANTED	CLASS PRODUCED	DISTANCE REQUIRED FROM THE NEAREST FIELD PLANTED WITH	
Breeder	Foundation	Foundation	300 feet
		Registered	660 feet
		Certified	660 feet
Foundation	Registered	Registered	165 feet
		Certified	165 feet
Foundation or Registered	Certified	Certified	165 feet

3. Isolation may be obtained by measuring off the required strip in the certified field; in cases where an adjoining field is planted with a different variety of birdsfoot trefoil, or birdsfoot trefoil of a lower class, which requires more than mechanical isolation. The isolation strip must be mowed and not allowed to reach bloom stage.

Section 5. Field tolerances shall be as follows:

	FIELDS PRODUCING		
	FOUNDATION	REGISTERED	CERTIFIED
Other varieties (Max.)	None	5 plants/acre	20 plants/acre
White clover (Max.)	None	5 plants/acre	10 plants/acre
Red clover (Max.)	None	3 plants/acre	7 plants/acre
Sweet clover (Max.)	None	None	20 plants/acre

Birdsfoot trefoil fields must be free of seeds of weeds listed as prohibited noxious in the General Rules for Seed Certification.


Section 6. Seed standards shall be as follows:

PURITY	Blue Tag		
	FOUNDATION	REGISTERED	CERTIFIED
Pure seed (Min.)	98.00%	98.00%	99.00%
Other crop (Max.)	0.1%	0.2 %	0.5 %
Inert matter (Max.)	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%
Weed seed (Max.)	0.2 %	0.25%	0.3 %
Sweet clover (Max.)	None	9 per lb.	90 per lb.
Objectionable weed seeds*			
(Maximum total)	None	45 per lb.	90 per lb.
<b>GERMINATION</b>			
(Minimum total germination and hard seeds)	85.00%	85.00%	90.00%

Birdsfoot trefoil seed must be free of the seeds of the weeds listed as prohibited noxious in the General Rules for Seed Certification

\*Seeds of weeds listed as objectionable in General Rules for Seed Certification.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the regulation promulgated by the Department of Agriculture.

  
 Cameron S. Adams  
 Acting Director of Agriculture  
 State of Washington "

Signed at Olympia, Washington

Date: \_\_\_\_\_