

FORM OF ORDER AND TRANSMITTAL BY AGENCY HAVING SINGLE HEAD

State of Washington

Department of Agriculture

(agency name)

Administrative Order No. 1619

(1) I, Bob J. Mickelson, director of Department of Agriculture

do promulgate and adopt at Olympia, WA (place)

the annexed rules relating to: Sod Quality in WAC 16-316-620 and WAC 16-316-622.

(2) ALTERNATIVE A. Use only for Adoption of Permanent Rules.

This action is taken pursuant to Notice No WSR 79-03-068 filed with the code reviser on March 6, 1979. Such rules shall take effect:

- XX pursuant to RCW 34.04.040(2).
at a later date, such date being

(2) ALTERNATIVE B. Use only for Adoption of Emergency Rules.

I, find that an emergency exists and that the foregoing order is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare and that observance of the requirements of notice and opportunity to present views on the proposed action would be contrary to public interest. A statement of the facts constituting such emergency is:

Such rules are therefore adopted as emergency rules to take effect upon filing with the code reviser.

(3) Pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.04. (1977 c 19 § 2) that "every agency shall incorporate the most specific, but in no case omit all, of the following language alternatives when adopting or amending rules" (fill in statement (a), (b), or (c) as appropriate):

- XX (a) This rule is promulgated pursuant to RCW 15.49 and is intended to administratively implement that statute.
(b) This rule is promulgated pursuant to RCW which directs that the

(agency) has authority to implement the provisions of (name of act or RCW citation)

- (c) This rule is promulgated under the general rule-making authority of the

(agency) as authorized in RCW

(4) The undersigned hereby declares that he has complied with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act (chapter 42.30 RCW), the Administrative Procedure Act (chapter 34.04 RCW) or the Higher Education Administrative Procedure Act (chapter 28B.19 RCW), as appropriate, and the State Register Act (chapter 34.08 RCW).

(5) This order after being first recorded in the order register of this agency is herewith transmitted to the Code Reviser for filing pursuant to chapter 34.04 RCW and chapter 1-12 WAC.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED April 30 19 79

STATE OF WASHINGTON FILED

APR 30 1979

By [Signature] Deputy Director

Title

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CODE REVISER'S OFFICE WSR 79-03-057

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 1565, filed 3/1/78)

WAC 16-316-620 STANDARDS. Seed standards for sod quality grass seed are as follows:

Variety	Min- imum Purity	Min- imum Germin- ation	Maxi- mum* Other Crop	Maxi- mum*** Weed
Merion Kentucky Bluegrass	((96%)) <u>95%</u>	80%	0.1%**	.02%
Other varieties of Kentucky Blue- grass	97%	80%	0.1%**	.02%
Red Fescue	98%	90%	0.1% ([[**]])	.02%
Chewings Fescue	98%	90%	0.1% ([[**]])	.02%

*Must be free of ryegrass, orchardgrass, timothy, bentgrass, big bluegrass, Poa trivialis, smooth brome, reed canarygrass, tall fescue, ((and)) clover and meadow foxtail. Maximum allowable Canada bluegrass .02%.

**Other Kentucky bluegrass - Maximum 2%.

(~~**Canada--bluegrass--in--Kentucky--bluegrass--and--fescue--Maximum .02%.~~)

(~~[***Must be free of dock, chickweed, crabgrass, plantain, short-awn foxtail, black medic, annual bluegrass, velvetgrass, and prohibited noxious weed seeds.]~~) ***Must be free of dock, chickweed, crabgrass, plantain, short-awn foxtail, black medic, annual bluegrass, velvetgrass, and prohibited noxious weed seeds.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending Order 1565, filed 3/1/78)

WAC 16-316-622 RYEGRASS STANDARDS. Seed standards for sod quality Ryegrass grass seed are as follows:

Variety	Min- imum Purity	Min- imum Germin- ation	Maxi- mum Other Crop*	Maxi- mum*** Weed
Ryegrass**	98%	90%	0.10%	.02%

*Must be free of orchardgrass, timothy, bentgrass, big bluegrass, Poa trivialis, smooth brome((grass)), reed canarygrass, tall fescue, clover and meadow foxtail. Maximum allowable Canada bluegrass 0.02%.

**Maximum fluorescence levels as determined by breeder or variety owner.

***Must be free of dock, chickweed, crabgrass, plantain, black medic, annual bluegrass, velvetgrass, short-awn foxtail, and prohibited noxious weed seeds. An additional 0.07% of bromus spp. will be allowed.



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For the purpose of legislative review of agency rules, the following statement is submitted:

- (a) This rule relates to the seed regulations in Washington state (statutory authority RCW 15.49).
- (b) Revision of regulations concerning production, certification and distribution of seed. These changes include a 15 percent increase in seed testing fees; amendments in seed certification, quarantine, phytosanitary, noxious weed seed programs, clover, alfalfa, grass, bean, pea, lentil, soybean, small grain, tree seed, sod quality, blending, the O.E.C.D. program; and, amendments to restricted noxious weed seed list.
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- Opponents: None
- (e) None