

State of Washington

Department of Agriculture

(agency name)

Administrative Order No. 1703

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

do promulgate and adopt at Olympia, Washington (place)

the annexed rules relating to:

Annual bluegrass quarantine procedures in WAC 16-495-085.

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

This action is taken pursuant to Notice No. WSR 80-04-123 filed with the code reviser on April 2, 1980. Such rules shall take effect:

- [X] 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):

- [X] (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.

STATE OF WASHINGTON APPROVED AND ADOPTED May 30 1980 FILED

MAY 30 1980

By Bob J. Mickelson Director of Agriculture Title

CODE REVISER'S OFFICE WSR 80-06-116



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

1. Rules pertaining to production, certification and distribution of seed in Washington state (Statutory Authority RCW 15.49).
2. Amendments of the seed regulations included a forty percent increase in laboratory seed testing fees; amendments to regulations on seed quarantine, small grain seed labeling requirements, treated seed labeling requirements; and amendments to seed certification for clover, alfalfa, grass, bean, pea, lentil, soybean, small grain, tree seed, sod quality seed certification. New regulations were adopted for sod and sod seed certification standards.
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4. Proponents:  
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Opponents: None
5. No agency comments.

AMENDATORY SECTION - (Amending Order No. 1607, filed 5/1/79)

WAC 16-495-085 DEFINITIONS. (1) Annual bluegrass - *Poa annua* and all related subspecies.

(2) Seed stock - those seeds of grasses which are to be planted for seed increase or with intent of seed increase; except this definition does not include: Big Bluegrass, Upland Bluegrass, Brome, Tall Fescue, Meadow Fescue, Oatgrass, Orchardgrass, Timothy, or Wheatgrass.

(3) Official Seed Laboratory - seed testing laboratory approved by the director, such as, but not limited to, Washington State Seed Lab, 2015 South 1st Street, Yakima, Washington; and Oregon State Seed Laboratory, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon.

(4) Representative Sample - sample drawn in accordance with sampling procedures adopted by the director.

(5) Annual Bluegrass Analysis Certificate - a test report from an official laboratory showing freedom from annual bluegrass of a 10 gram sample for bentgrass or redtop; a 25 gram sample for bluegrass; 50 gram sample for other grasses.

(6) Quarantine Tag - a tag issued by Washington State Department of Agriculture to be sealed to each bag showing said seed has met quarantine requirements.