

## Chapter 16-303 WAC

### SEED ASSESSMENT, FEES FOR SEED SERVICES AND SEED CERTIFICATION

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**WAC 16-303-005 Purpose—Seed program fees for services and labeling of seed.** The department certifies, inspects, samples, tests and analyzes agricultural, vegetable or flower seed sold or offered for sale in Washington state. As provided for in this chapter under the authority of chapter 15.49 RCW, the department hereby establishes labeling requirements, germination standards, and fees for funding of the Washington state seed program.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-005, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-010 Definitions.** Definitions for terms used in this chapter may be found in chapters 15.49 RCW and 16-301 WAC unless otherwise provided for in this chapter.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-010, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-020 Schedule of charges—Billing policies and procedures.** (1) Accounts.

(a) All billable services provided for under chapter 15.49 RCW are due and payable upon billing by the department. For the convenience of established accounts and in accord with good business practices, the department provides a monthly billing service. Accounts not paid in full within thirty days of billing are considered delinquent.

(b) On all debts due and payable after July 28, 1991, all delinquent accounts are assessed a late charge equal to two percent per month, or portion of a month, on the unpaid balance.

(c) Except for established accounts where there is a reasonable expectation of additional charges during a calendar month, the minimum billable amount through the monthly billing system is twenty dollars. All billable services of less than twenty dollars are due and payable on the date that service is rendered.

(d) No person with an account ninety days or more in arrears may receive service except on the basis of payment in full at the time service is rendered. Accounts in arrears may be subject to legal action for collection and are not restored to monthly billing status until all past due amounts are paid-in-full.

(e) Accounts that become ninety or more days in arrears twice within a five-year period may be subject to a permanent requirement for payment in full at the time service is provided.

(2) Unless otherwise provided for in rule, requests for refund fees or assessments must be submitted to the department by June 30 of the year following payment of the fee or assessment.

(3) Fees for services not listed in rule are set on the basis of the actual cost to the department of agriculture, or the most appropriate fee established by rule.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-020, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 § 309(2), RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-12-053, § 16-303-020, filed 5/26/05, effective 6/26/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-020, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

## **ANNUAL SEED ASSESSMENT**

**WAC 16-303-105 Annual seed inspection charge.** (1) Each person required to obtain a seed labeling permit, pursuant to RCW 15.49.400, of the Washington State Seed Act, must also, pursuant to RCW 15.49.310 and 15.49.370, pay a general seed inspection charge annually to the department in the amount of eleven cents per one hundred dollars gross annual dollar sales in excess of ten thousand dollars of agricultural and/or vegetable seed distributed in this state during the preceding fiscal year, except that no assessment shall be collected on:

(a) Seed for which the assessment has been previously collected, except when such seed is relabeled;

(b) Agricultural or vegetable seed distributed out-of-state;

(c) Seed distributed in containers of four ounces or less;

(d) Stock seed; and

(e) Seed distributed by governmental agencies, such as, but not limited to, the United States Department of Agriculture national foundation seed project. Agricultural and/or vegetable seeds distributed

under bailment contract are valued at the producer-conditioner agreement rate in lieu of sale.

(2) The seed assessment fees for the fiscal period beginning July 1 through June 30 are payable on February 1 of the following calendar year.

(3) The seed assessment may accompany the annual application for the seed labeling permit. A penalty of fifteen percent of the assessment fee or a minimum of twenty dollars, whichever is greater, is added to all assessments not paid by February 1.

(4) The annual seed-labeling permit may not be issued until all seed assessments and penalties are satisfied.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-105, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-105, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-115 Seed labeling registrant records.** Each seed labeling registrant must maintain reasonable and necessary records accurately reflecting the gross annual dollar value of agricultural and/or vegetable seed distributed in this state.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-115, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

### SEED TESTING AND ANALYSIS FEES

**WAC 16-303-200 Seed program testing fees.** Seed testing fees are as follows:

Category	Crop kind	PURITY	GERM/1	TZ	Additional Crops in each Category/2
1	Agricultural Grasses	40.00	25.00	45.00	Alkaligrass, Bermudagrass, Canarygrass, Foxtail, Switchgrass, Timothy, Zoysia
2	Alfalfa & Clover	31.00	27.00	45.00	Alfalfa, Black Medic, Clover, Lupine, Milkvetch, Sainfoin, Trefoil
3	Beans	29.00	27.00	45.00	Beans
4	Beets	42.00	47.00	45.00	Beets, Swiss chard, Spinach
5	Bentgrass, redtop	72.00	38.00	45.00	Bentgrass, Redtop
6	Bluegrass	49.00	33.00	45.00	Bluegrass, all types
7	Brassica Species	75.00	38.00	45.00	Brassica Species
8	Brome	51.00	27.00	45.00	<b>Brome:</b> Mountain, Smooth, Meadow
9	Fescue	40.00	27.00	45.00	<b>Fescue:</b> Tall and Meadow
10	Fescue, all others	49.00	27.00	45.00	<b>Fescue:</b> Arizona, Blue, Blue Hard, Chewings, Creeping, Hard, Idaho, Red, Sheep
11	Flax	31.00	27.00	45.00	Lewis flax
12	Industrial hemp	50.00	40.00	45.00	
13	Orchardgrass	55.00	29.00	45.00	Orchardgrass

Category	Crop kind	PURITY	GERM/1	TZ	Additional Crops in each Category/2
14	Peas and other large seeded legumes	31.00	27.00	45.00	Peas, Chickpeas, Lentil, Vetch
15	Primrose	31.00	27.00	45.00	Primrose
16	Ryegrass	49.00	25.00	45.00	Ryegrass, (Perennial or Annual)
17	Small burnet	31.00	27.00	45.00	Small burnet
18	Sudangrass	31.00	27.00	45.00	Sudangrass
19	Vegetables	31.00	27.00	49.00	<b>Vegetables:</b> Arugula, Asparagus, Cantaloupe, Carrot, Celery, Corn, Coriander, Cucumber, Dill, Eggplant, Endive, Leek, Lettuce, Okra, Onion, Parsley, Parsnip, Pepper, Pumpkin, Radish, Squash, Tomato, Watermelon
20	Grains	31.00	27.00	45.00	Wheat, Triticale, Sunflower, Sorghum, Safflower, Rye, Rice, Millet, Buckwheat, Barley, Oats, Emmer, Spelt
21	Wheatgrass, Wildrye, other native species Group A	84.00	33.00	45.00	Bluestem, Buffalograss, Lovegrass, Penstemon, Sand dropseed, Sideoats, Squirreltail; Intermediate, Pubescent, Tall, Thickspike, Slender, and Western wheatgrasses; Small-seeded wildrye
22	Wheatgrass, Wildrye, other native species and flowers Group B	75.00	33.00	45.00	Bitterbrush, Echinacea, Indian ricegrass, Junegrass, Kochia, Oatgrass, Indian ricegrass, Blue and other large-seeded wildrye, Crested and Siberian wheatgrasses
23	Wheatgrass, Wildrye, other native species and flowers Group C	75.00	123.00/3	45.00	Green needlegrass, Needle & Thread, Penstemon

/1 Standard 400 seed germination test.

/2 Crops not listed in the above table will be charged by the category that they fit into.

/3 Germination requires 400 seed TZ according to AOSA rules.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.120.030(3), 15.49.021, 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 17-08-090, § 16-303-200, filed 4/5/17, effective 5/6/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-200, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-200, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 § 309(2), RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-12-053, § 16-303-200, filed 5/26/05, effective 6/26/05. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-200, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-200, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-200, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-200, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-210 Fees for special seed tests.**

Test	Fee	Additional Information
(1) All states noxious weed examination	\$36.00	
(2) <b>Dormant Seed Test</b>	\$45.00	
(a) For crops requiring a 400 seed TZ as required in the AOSA rules	\$90.00	
(b) This fee also applies to paired tests when required by AOSA rules		
(3) Cold (vigor) test for wheat	\$70.00	
(4) <b>Crop or weed exam</b>		Standard noxious amount from AOSA rules
(a) Turf-type and other small seeded grasses	\$41.00	Kentucky bluegrass, timothy, alkaligrass, fine-leaved fescues
(b) Small seeded legumes and medium seeded crops	\$47.00	Brassicas, ryegrass, tall fescue
(c) Wheatgrass and native species	\$54.00	
(d) Grains and large seeded legumes	\$24.00	
(5) Fescue seed ammonia test	\$33.00	Required on all certified Blue, Hard, and Sheep fescues
(6) Fluorescence test (400 seed test)	\$29.00	Required on all Perennial and Annual ryegrass samples
(7) Miscellaneous services, samples requiring extra time, field run samples, etc.	\$40.00/hour	
(8) Pest and disease (phyto exam) and/or soil exam	\$39.00	
(9) Quarantine tests on seed		
Bluegrass and Bentgrass	\$20.00/5 grams	
Other grasses	\$20.00/10 grams	
(10) Rules test—Canadian	PURITY	GERMINATION
Alfalfa, clover, peas, lentils	\$35.00	\$27.00
Kentucky bluegrass	\$53.00	\$33.00
Bentgrass	\$78.00	\$38.00
(11) Rules test—I.S.T.A.	PURITY	GERMINATION
Alfalfa, clover, peas, lentils	\$35.00	\$33.00
Kentucky bluegrass	\$53.00	\$33.00
(12) Moisture test	\$33.00	
(13) Seed Count		
(a) Large seed	\$10.00	
(b) Small seed	\$13.00	
(14) Sod seed analysis	Bluegrass \$81.00 Fescue \$56.00 Ryegrass \$45.00	
(15) Sodium Hydroxide test for presence of red and/or white wheat	\$23.00	
(16) Undesirable grass species test (includes an all states noxious test) examination (UGS test)	\$76.00	
(17) Germination test in soil	\$54.00	
(18) Wheat bioassay test	\$54.00	
(19) Germination on mixtures Germination requiring embryo excision	\$40.00 per hour for separation of kinds or preparation time	This is in addition to the established germination fee

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-210, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-210, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 § 309(2), RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-12-053, § 16-303-210, filed 5/26/05, effective 6/26/05. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-210, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-210, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-210, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-210, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-230 Official seed sampling or similar service.** Fees for official sampling are in addition to travel time and mileage.

Crop	Fee	Minimum charge
Peas, beans, small grains or seeds of similar size	Standard sampling \$0.09 per cwt.	\$40.00
	I.S.T.A. sampling \$0.11 per cwt. plus \$9.00 per lot	\$40.00 plus \$9.00 per lot
For all other kinds	Standard sampling \$0.20 per cwt.	\$40.00
	I.S.T.A. sampling \$0.24 per cwt. plus \$9.00 per lot	\$40.00 plus \$9.00 per lot

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-230, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060 and 07-24-082, § 16-303-230, filed 10/12/07 and 12/5/07, effective 12/1/07 and 1/5/08. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-230, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-230, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-230, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-230, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-240 Fees for blending seed.** Blending fee is not applicable to salvage blends.

Grass option B*	Washington origin seed	\$1.10 per cwt.
Grass option B*	Out-of-state origin	\$0.66 per cwt.
Grass option A and all other blends of other crops		\$0.10 per cwt.

\*See WAC 16-303-320, footnote 6 for information on option A and option B.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-240, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-240, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-240, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-240, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-250 Miscellaneous charges for seed services.** Fees for miscellaneous department seed services are as follows:

Service		Fee
Rush samples (including phone or FAX report if requested at time sample is submitted)		\$16.00
High priority sample - Purity result completed before the end of the next business day. (Special circumstances only. Call ahead for availability.)		\$160.00
Additional mailing of report		\$6.00 each destination
Additional copies of reports		\$3.00 minimum fee
Revised reports		\$11.00 minimum (hourly fee when applicable)
Fee for special shipping and handling service, for example Federal Express, Air Parcel or air freight		\$5.00 plus exact shipping cost
Fee for facsimile transmission of documents		\$1.00 per document
Mileage - Additional or special requested trips		As established by the Washington State Office of Financial Management
Stand-by time - Or travel time	\$40.00/hour	Travel time to be charged when special trip is requested.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-250, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-250, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 § 309(2), RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-12-053, § 16-303-250, filed 5/26/05, effective 6/26/05. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-250, filed 8/29/03, ef-

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**WAC 16-303-300 Phytosanitary certification of seed—Fees.**

Service	Fee	Additional Information
Federal Phytosanitary certificate	\$50.00	
State Phytosanitary certificate	\$45.00	
Field inspection - All seed except wheat seed (for each required inspection)	\$5.83 per acre, per required inspection	\$55.00 minimum fee, per inspection
Field inspection - Wheat seed only	\$2.33 per acre or fraction thereof	\$55.00 minimum fee, per inspection
Area inspection	\$0.60 per acre	
Late fee - Per application	\$50.00	

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-300, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-300, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-300, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-300, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-300, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-300, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-310 Organization for economic cooperation and development scheme for varietal certification (O.E.C.D.) fees.** In addition to fees required by applicable Washington certification rules, the following fees shall apply to all seed tagged O.E.C.D. and is payable by the person requesting O.E.C.D. certificate. The certifying agency may require fees paid in advance:

Service	Fee	Additional Information
O.E.C.D. certificate	\$17.00 each	
O.E.C.D. grow out test	\$72.00 each entry	No charge for control entry
O.E.C.D. assessment	cost to program	This is a pass through fee to USDA
O.E.C.D. tagging fee*	\$0.91/cwt.	All grasses except tall fescue
	\$0.55/cwt.	Tall fescue
	\$0.57/cwt.	All other crops

\* Minimum tagging fee is \$13.00.



[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-310, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-310, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 § 309(2), RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-12-053, § 16-303-310, filed 5/26/05, effective 6/26/05. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-310, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-310, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-310, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-310, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-315 Service fee for sod quality seed tags and tagging.** Service fee for sod quality seed tags and tagging shall be \$0.25 per cwt. Minimum tagging fee is \$13.00.

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**WAC 16-303-317 Annual and rough bluegrass quarantine fees.** Fees for sampling and analysis for the presence of annual or rough bluegrass are those fees established in this chapter and:

(1) Annual bluegrass and rough bluegrass - Inspection fee for nursery plantings for the presence of annual bluegrass is \$63.53 per acre or portion thereof.

(2) Quarantine inspection of grass seed fields found to be in violation of the quarantine requirements will be charged at the rate of \$215.00 per field inspection.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-317, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-317, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-317, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-317, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-317, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-317, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**WAC 16-303-320 Certification fees for seed certified by the department.** Seed certification fees apply to seed classes identified in WAC 16-302-015, as follows:

(1) Fees apply to both new and renewal applications.

The seed processor is responsible for seed certification fees including sampling, testing, production and final certification fees, and may accept responsibility for any other additional fees associated with certification. Fees for services such as O.E.C.D. and sod quality, etc., are in addition to the fees listed in this section.

Seed	Application Fee 1/	Seedling field inspection fee	Seedling producing or field inspection Fee 2/	Late Application Penalty Fee	Reinspection Fee (other than isolation)	Production Fee (includes tagging) 7/10/11/	Seed shipped Out-of-State (uncleaned)
Alfalfa, Red clover, White clover and Trefoil	\$32.25 per variety per grower	\$54.00 per field	\$2.00 per acre	\$50.00	\$58.00 per field	\$0.57/cwt. 5/	\$0.22/cwt.
Annual grasses	\$32.25 per field	N/A	\$2.00 per acre	\$50.00 per field	\$58.00 per field	\$0.45/cwt.	\$0.22
Bean	\$32.25 per variety per grower	N/A	\$2.00 per acre 3/ (one inspection) \$4.00 per acre 4/ (two inspections)	\$50.00	\$58.00 per field	\$0.57/cwt.	\$0.22/cwt.
Corn	\$32.25 per field	N/A	\$55.00 first acre \$12.00 ea. additional acre except hybrid corn \$5.35 ea. additional acre	\$50.00	————	\$0.15 per tag issued	\$4.00 per document
Industrial hemp	\$32.25 per field	N/A	Hourly rate, travel time and mileage as established in WAC 16-303-250	\$50.00	Additional inspections: Hourly rate, travel time and mileage as established in WAC 16-303-250	\$0.15 per tag issued; \$15.00 minimum fee	N/A
Perennial Grasses 6/	\$32.25 per field	\$54.00 per field	\$54.00 per field	\$50.00	\$58.00 per field	Option A \$0.91/cwt. for all grass except tall fescue \$0.55/cwt. tall fescue Option B \$1.26/cwt. (min. \$12.54)	\$0.34
Rapeseed, Canola, and Mustard	\$32.25 per variety per grower	N/A	\$2.00 per acre (one inspection)	\$50.00 per grower	\$58.00 per field	\$0.57/cwt.	\$0.22
Turnip, Rutabaga, Kale	\$32.25 per field	N/A	\$4.00 per acre (two inspections)	\$50.00	\$58.00 per field	\$0.57/cwt.	\$0.22

- 1/ Seed certification application due dates can be found in WAC 16-302-050.
- 2/ Seedling producing or field inspection fees are refundable if the acreage is withdrawn before the inspection is completed. In the case of bean seed, fees are required of seedling fields to be harvested for certification the year of planting.
- 3/ One inspection is required for Great Northern Red Mexican, pinto, pink, and small white bean.
- 4/ Includes windrow inspection which is required for certification of snap beans, kidney beans, and eligibility for shipment into the state of Idaho.

- 5/ Production fees are billed at completion of laboratory analysis tests. If no seed is tagged, \$0.10 of the \$0.57 per cwt. production fee is refundable.
- 6/ Option A: Inspection and final certification fees are based on pounds sampled and billed upon completion of required laboratory tests.  
Option B: Inspection and final certification fees are based on pounds tagged after required laboratory tests are completed. Those dealers requesting sampling and tagging privileges and/or participation in Option B must sign a memorandum of agreement that shall expire on June 30 of each year. The memorandum may be terminated by the director if the conditioner violates certification standards or requirements of memorandum.
- 7/ Does not include shipping and handling charge for tags.
- 8/ Service inspection of seed fields  
Service inspection will be charged the established hourly rate inclusive of travel time and inspection time. This excludes the seedling inspection which is charged according to the above chart.  
Service inspections will be charged a mileage fee based upon the OFM mileage rate.
- 9/ Hybrid inspections (pollen counts)  
All crops except corn and industrial hemp:  
(a) \$48.50 per inspection if done at the time of the certification inspection.  
(b) \$135.00 per inspection if not conducted at the time of the certification inspection.
- 10/ Minimum tagging fee is \$13.00.
- 11/ For seed lots in packages of less than 25 lbs., tags are \$0.15 per tag in addition to the production fee.

(2) Other fees associated with grass seed certification:  
Out-of-state origin seed tagged with interagency certification tags.

Grass Option A:	\$0.33 per cwt.
Grass Option B:	\$0.73 per cwt.

(3) Reissuance of certification tags is \$0.15 per tag or a minimum fee of \$13.00.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.120.030(3), 15.49.021, 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 17-08-090, § 16-303-320, filed 4/5/17, effective 5/6/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-320, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-320, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 § 309(2), RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-12-053, § 16-303-320, filed 5/26/05, effective 6/26/05. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-320, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-320, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-320, filed 5/30/02, effective 6/30/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005,

**WAC 16-303-340 Seed certification fees for buckwheat, chickpea, field pea, lentil, millet, soybean, sorghum and small grains.** (1) Seed certification fees for buckwheat, chickpea, field pea, lentil, millet, soybean, sorghum and small grains are as follows:

(a)	Application fee per variety per grower.....	\$25.00
(b)	Field inspection fee per acre except millet and hybrid sorghum	\$3.15
(c)	Millet - First acre .....	\$32.55
	- Each additional acre .....	\$6.50
(d)	Hybrid sorghum - First acre .....	\$32.55
	- Each additional acre .....	\$13.00
(e)	Special field inspection fee per acre .....	\$2.60
(f)	Late application fee .....	\$50.00
(g)	Minimum reinspection fee for each field which did not pass field inspection plus \$0.46 for each acre over twenty-five .....	\$45.00
(h)	Final certification fee per cwt. of clean seed sampled .....	\$0.25
(i)	Production fee per cwt. of production from fields inspected which is utilized for seed .....	\$0.105
(j)	Sampling fee per cwt. of clean seed sampled, with minimum charge of \$10.30 per sample, which is charged to conditioning plant in lieu of mechanical sampling .....	\$0.105

(2) A field may be withdrawn upon notification by the applicant to the certifying agency's office before field inspection. In such case, the field inspection fee is refunded upon request until June 30 of the year following harvest.

(3) Harvest before field inspection causes forfeitures of both the application and field inspection fees, and completion of certification.

(4) Final certification or production fees shall be determined by the audit process described in subsection (5) of this section.

(5) The WSCIA audit process is as follows:

(a) Audits are conducted semiannually.

(b) Certified seed growers, distributors, and conditioning plants shall report all previously unreported retail and wholesale transactions of certified or certified-eligible seed by completing and returning the WSCIA audit form to WSCIA.

(c) WSCIA invoices each grower, distributor, conditioning plant, or final seller as follows:

(i) For seed certified by WSCIA and utilized as seed, the conditioning plant is charged the final certification fee in subsection (1)(h) of this section;

(ii) For certified-eligible seed not certified by WSCIA but utilized as seed, the grower or final seller is charged the production

fee in subsection (1)(i) of this section. "Final seller" means a seller who sells seed prior to brokerage or retail sale, sells seed to a plant not approved for conditioning certified seed, or transships seed out-of-state.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].021, [15.49].310, [15.49].370, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 18-10-055, § 16-303-340, filed 4/27/18, effective 5/28/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-340, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-340, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3), and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 06-11-066, § 16-303-340, filed 5/12/06, effective 6/12/06; WSR 05-05-052, § 16-303-340, filed 2/14/05, effective 3/17/05; WSR 04-06-029, § 16-303-340, filed 2/24/04, effective 3/26/04; WSR 03-06-005, § 16-303-340, filed 2/20/03, effective 3/23/03; WSR 02-05-082, § 16-303-340, filed 2/20/02, effective 3/23/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-340, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]