

## Chapter 16-303 WAC

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

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16-303-317 Annual and rough bluegrass quarantine fees. [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.] Repealed by WSR 22-02-028, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370.

16-303-330 Certification fees for grass seed. [Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-330, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-330, 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, § 16-303-330, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.] Repealed by WSR 03-18-071, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308.

**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 30 days of billing are considered delinquent.

(b) 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 \$20. All billable services of less than \$20 are due and payable on the date that service is rendered.

(d) No person with an account 90 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 90 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 30th 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.

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**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 28 cents per \$100 gross annual dollar sales in excess of \$10,000 of agricultural and/or vegetable seed dis-

tributed 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; or
- (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 1st through June 30th are payable on February 1st of the following calendar year.

(3) The seed assessment will accompany the annual application for the seed labeling permit. A penalty of 25 percent of the assessment fee or a minimum of \$28, whichever is greater, is added to all assessments not paid by February 1st.

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

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-105, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. 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.]

**WAC 16-303-117 Seed program testing categories.** (1) Seed testing categories and associated crop kinds for WAC 16-303-200 and 16-303-210 are as follows:

Category	Crop Kind	Additional Crops in each Category *1
1	Alfalfa and Clover	Alfalfa, Black Medic, Clover, Milkvetch, Sainfoin, Trefoil
2	Bean	Bean
3	Beet	Beet
4	Bentgrass, Redtop	Bentgrass, Redtop
5	Bluegrass	Bluegrass, all types except Native and Reclamation
6	Brassica Species	Brassica Species, Camelina
7	Brome	Brome: Mountain, Smooth, Meadow
8	Fescue	Fescue: Tall and Meadow

Category	Crop Kind	Additional Crops in each Category *1
9	Fescue, all others	Fescue: Arizona, Blue, Blue Hard, Chewings, Creeping, Hard, Idaho, Red, Sheep
10	Flax	Flax, all types
11	Hemp	Hemp, all types
12	Orchardgrass	Orchardgrass
13	Peas and other large seeded legumes	Peas, Chickpeas, Lentil, Lupine, Vetch
14	Ryegrass (perennial or annual)	Ryegrass (perennial or annual)
15	Sudangrass	Sudangrass
16	Timothy	Timothy
17	Fruit and Vegetable	Fruit and Vegetables: Arugula, Asparagus, Any Berries, Cantaloupe, Carrot, Celery, Corn, Coriander, Cucumber, Dill, Eggplant, Endive, Leek, Lettuce, Okra, Onion, Parsley, Parsnip, Pepper, Pumpkin, Radish, Swiss chard, Spinach, Squash, Tomato, Watermelon
18	Grain (500 g. or 1000 g.)	Wheat, Triticale, Sunflower, Sorghum, Safflower, Rye, Rice, Millet, Buckwheat, Barley, Oats, Emmer, Spelt
19	Other native species and flowers (test requires 400 seed TZ according to AOSA rules)	Green needlegrass, Needle and Thread, Penstemon
20	Native and Reclamation Grass	Bluestem, Buffalograss, Lovegrass, Sand dropseed, Sideoats, Squirreltail, Wheatgrass (Crested, Intermediate, Pubescent, Siberian, Slender, Tall, Thickspike, and Western), Wildrye, Indian ricegrass, Junegrass, Oatgrass, Native and Reclamation bluegrass
21	Woody Plants and Forbs (natives)	Bitterbrush, Echinacea, Kochia, Yarrow, Sagebrush, Rabbitbrush, Native buckwheat, Native clover

\*1 Crops not listed in the above table will be charged by the category that they best fit into.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-117, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22.]

### SEED TESTING AND ANALYSIS FEES

**WAC 16-303-200 Seed program testing fees.** (1) Seed testing fees are as follows:

Category	Purity W/ Noxious	GERM *1	TZ	Sample Processing per request	Manual Sample Processing per request
1	\$76.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
2	\$68.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
3 *2	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
4	\$153.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
5	\$118.00	\$70.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
6	\$117.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
7	\$106.00	\$70.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
8	\$106.00	\$76.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
9	\$106.00	\$76.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
10	\$76.00	\$70.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00

Category	Purity W/ Noxious	GERM *1	TZ	Sample Processing per request	Manual Sample Processing per request
11	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
12	\$76.00	\$70.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
13	\$68.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
14	\$117.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
15	\$76.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
16	\$76.00	\$70.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
17	\$68.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
18 *3	500 g. \$68.00	\$60.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
	1000 g. \$136.00				
19	\$90.00	\$146.00 *4	\$202.00 *5	\$8.00	\$13.00
20	\$90.00	\$70.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00
21	\$90.00	\$82.00	\$101.00	\$8.00	\$13.00

\*1 Standard 400 seed germination test.

\*2 Additional sprout counts incur hourly charge.

\*3 Includes sodium hydroxide test.

\*4 Germ includes dormant TZ count.

\*5 Test requires 400 seed TZ according to AOSA rules.

(2) There will be no refund on completed tests. Work will be billed proportional to the amount completed at the time of cancellation. Minimum billed will be one quarter of the hourly rate.

(3) Additional billing will be in 15-minute increments with a minimum of one quarter of the hourly rate for dirty or heavy inert samples which require hand picking for purity analysis.

(4) Additional requests will incur another sample processing check-in fee.

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**WAC 16-303-210 Fees for special seed tests.** Miscellaneous lab testing fees are as follows:

Miscellaneous Lab Fees - Part A											
Category	Sod or quality seed analysis *1	Undesirable grass species test, no other purity requested	Paired tests or 400 TZ when required by AOSA (from section 200)	Crop or weed exam standard AOSA working amount (in addition to other tests requested)	Quarantine tests on seed			Rules test-Canadian (No grade report)		Rules test-ISTA (No orange certificate)	
					Bluegrass (25 gram test)	Bentgrass and redtop (10 gram test)	Other seed stock (25 gram test)	Purity	Germ	Purity	Germ
1	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$76.00	\$59.00	\$76.00	\$59.00
2	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$68.00	\$59.00	\$68.00	\$59.00
3 *2	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$70.00	\$68.00	\$70.00	\$68.00
4	N/A	\$114.00	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	\$86.00	N/A	\$153.00	\$70.00	\$153.00	\$70.00
5	\$126.00	\$114.00	\$202.00	\$76.00	\$139.00	N/A	N/A	\$117.00	\$70.00	\$117.00	\$70.00
6	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$117.00	\$60.00	\$117.00	\$60.00
7	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$106.00	\$70.00	\$106.00	\$70.00
8	\$126.00	\$114.00	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	\$88.00	\$106.00	\$70.00	\$106.00	\$70.00
9	\$126.00	\$114.00	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	\$95.00	\$106.00	\$76.00	\$106.00	\$76.00
10	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$106.00	\$70.00	\$106.00	\$70.00
11	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$60.00
12	\$126.00	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$76.00	\$70.00	\$76.00	\$70.00
13	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$68.00	\$59.00	\$68.00	\$59.00
14	\$126.00	\$114.00	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$117.00	\$76.00	\$117.00	\$76.00
15	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$106.00	\$70.00	\$106.00	\$70.00
16	\$126.00	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$76.00	\$70.00	\$76.00	\$70.00
17	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$68.00	\$60.00	\$68.00	\$60.00
18	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$68.00	\$60.00	\$68.00	\$60.00
	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$139.00	\$60.00	\$139.00	\$60.00
19	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$70.00
20	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$125.00 *1	\$70.00	\$125.00 *1	\$70.00
21	N/A	N/A	\$202.00	\$76.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$125.00 *1	\$82.00	\$125.00 *1	\$82.00

\*1 Minimum one hour, then billed in 15 minute increments.

\*2 Additional sprout counts incur hourly charge.

Miscellaneous Lab Fee - Part B	
Additional sodium hydroxide exam (wheat only)	\$47
Ammonia test (required for Fescue certification)	\$46
Bioassay (variety specific)	\$96
Broomrape (Orobanche minor) in red clover and other species (dry method)	\$110
Canadian seed grade report (Canadian test required)	\$45
Cold (vigor) test for wheat with Palouse soil	\$107
Cold test without soil	\$57
Cold test with soil - Specify soil type *1	\$65/hour
Dust like species exam (dry method) including broomrape (Orobanche minor)	\$152
Dodder exam	\$90
EC norms conversion from AOSA report	\$45
Electrical conductivity (EC)	\$158
Fluorescent test (all perennial and annual ryegrass)	\$40
Germination test in soil *1	\$65/hour
Hourly charge (applies to especially contaminated or extraordinary samples, e.g., sample prep for coated seed; also used for custom work such as sample preparation, special bulk searches). *1	\$65/hour
Mill check *1	\$65/hour
Miscellaneous service, in dirt samples, field run samples, cleaning inert *1	\$65/hour

<b>Miscellaneous Lab Fee - Part B</b>	
Moisture test (oven) *1	\$65/hour
Moisture test/Dickey-John test	\$63
Noxious weed conversion fee	\$45
Noxious weed search in animal feed pellets, bird seed or organic matter *1	\$65/hour
Pest and disease (phytosanitary exam) and/or soil exam including sclerotinia, ergot, smut	\$95
Potassium iodine/iodide test *1	\$65/hour
Preliminary germination percent via email	\$15
Preclean quality grain exam	\$139
Seed coat dehull for TZ (Sanfoin/oat) *1	\$65/hour
Seed count, manual *1	\$65/hour
Seed count, mechanical	\$24
Seed mixture purity exam, each crop component	\$76
Species or veskof exam	\$222
Stress germination exam *1	\$65/hour
TKW 1000 seed count (total kernel weight/1000 seed)	\$56
Wheat species exam *1	\$65/hour

\*1 Billing in 15-minute increments with a minimum of one quarter of the hourly rate.

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**WAC 16-303-230 Official seed sampling or similar service.** Seed lots for official sampling must be made available to the inspector upon arrival to avoid assessment of additional fees for standby-time. Standby-time when the inspector is on-site while samples are prepared for official sampling will be billed in 15-minute increments at a minimum of one quarter of the hourly rate.

Fees for official sampling are in addition to travel time and mileage.

Crop	Test	Fee	Minimum charge
Peas, beans, small grains or seeds of similar size	Standard sampling	\$0.13 per cwt.	\$90

<b>Crop</b>	<b>Test</b>	<b>Fee</b>	<b>Minimum charge</b>
Peas, beans, small grains or seeds of similar size	I.S.T.A. sampling	\$0.21 per cwt. plus \$13.00 per lot	\$90
For all other kinds	Standard sampling	\$0.28 per cwt.	\$90
For all other kinds	I.S.T.A. sampling	\$0.33 per cwt. plus \$13.00 per lot	\$90

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**WAC 16-303-240 Fees for blending seed.** (1) Blending fee is not applicable to salvage blends.

(2) Blending fees are as follows:

<b>Seed Origin</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Washington origin certified seed	\$17.00 Application plus cost of tag
Out-of-state origin certified seed	\$17.00 Application plus cost of tag

(3) See WAC 16-303-350 for tagging fees.

(4) A blend data sheet is filled out with the certifying agency and must be presented at the time of application and maintained by the seed conditioner. Blend data sheet forms can be obtained from the department.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-240, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. 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 sample (purity started in 48 hours, including phone report if requested at time sample is submitted)	\$136.00
Super rush sample - Purity result completed before the end of the next business day. (Based upon availability with a limit per day, call ahead for availability.)	\$204.00
Paper documents: Additional copies-digital	\$8.00
Paper documents: Additional copies-registered mail	\$8.00 plus exact shipping cost
Samples: Fee for special shipping/packaging for seed samples, plant health samples (live plants) by Federal Express, air parcel or air freight	\$20.00 plus exact shipping cost
All other shipping and handling	\$8.00 plus exact shipping cost
Revised reports	\$15.00 minimum (hourly fee when applicable)
Combined reports	\$15.00 minimum (hourly fee when applicable)
Drive time and mileage for additional or special requested trips	Drive time at hourly rate plus mileage - OFM rate
Field staff stand-by time at warehouse *1 *2	\$65/hour
Split seed sample for outsourcing	\$50.00
Digital photo	\$11.00/photo
Washington Wilderness Hay and Mulch (WWHAM) certification, if conducted at time of seed certification inspection	\$90.00
Washington Wilderness Hay and Mulch (WWHAM) certification, if not conducted at time of seed certification inspection	\$90.00 plus drive time at hourly rate plus mileage - OFM rate
Cancellation of seed test *1	Proportional to work completed prior to cancellation-hourly rate for a minimum of 15 minutes
Hourly rate	\$65/hour

\*1 No refund on completed tests or work. Work will be billed proportional to amount completed at the time of request.

\*2 Minimum billed will be one quarter of the hourly rate.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-250, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. 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, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.370(3), 15.49.310, and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-08-005, § 16-303-250, filed 3/20/03, effective 4/20/03. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 02-12-061, § 16-303-250, 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, § 16-303-250, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

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

Service	Fee	Additional Information
Federal phytosanitary certificate	\$70.00	Additional hourly fee may apply for consultation and billed at one quarter of the hourly rate
State phytosanitary certificate	\$63.00	Additional hourly fee may apply for consultation and billed at one quarter of the hourly rate
Certificate of origin	\$55.00	Additional hourly fee may apply for consultation and billed at one quarter of the hourly rate
Resignature	\$4.00	Resignature of expired visual *1
Verification	\$4.00	Reexport phytosanitary verification
Phytosanitary field application *2	\$45.00	No refund after processing
Phytosanitary field inspection - All seed (for each required inspection) *2 *3	\$8.00 per acre, per required inspection	\$90 minimum fee, per inspection. No refund after inspection is completed
Area inspection *2 *3	\$3.11 per acre, per required inspection	Plus travel time and mileage
Late fee - Per field application	\$139.00	Based on scheduling may also include travel time and mileage. After application due date, application may be rejected
Nematode soil sample	\$33.00	Flat fee per sample

Phytosanitary field application due dates are found in WAC 16-301-220.

\*1 Prior departmental authorization required in advance and site must meet specific criteria to qualify.

\*2 No refund on rejected fields due to findings or results. To be eligible for a refund of the per acre fee, the seed crop application must be withdrawn prior to field inspection.

\*3 An outsourced plant health analysis or laboratory exam may be applicable to assess field health and may result in costs separate from the inspection application and acreage fee.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-300, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. 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
O.E.C.D. assessment *1	Actual cost to program. This is a pass through fee to USDA
O.E.C.D. certificate *2	\$40.00 each

Service	Fee
O.E.C.D. reissued certificate	See Section 250 for additional document copies
O.E.C.D. grow out test *3	\$100.00 each entry
O.E.C.D. tagging fee *4	\$17.00 Application plus tag fee cost

\*1 An additional O.E.C.D. assessment will be billed on each O.E.C.D. seed lot assessed by USDA-O.E.C.D. authorities.

These charges will be billed in addition to other listed fees.

\*2 O.E.C.D. certificate fee does not include required field application, inspection, laboratory fees or tagging.

\*3 No charge for control entry.

\*4 See WAC 16-303-350 for tagging fee.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-310, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. 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 Quality seed tagging.** (1) Service fee for quality seed tags and tagging shall be \$0.25 per cwt.

Service	Fee
Quality Sod tag	\$17.00 Application plus \$0.25 cwt and tag fee
Quality Timothy tag	\$17.00 Application plus tag fee
Quality Orchardgrass tag	\$17.00 Application plus tag fee

(2) Seed lots which meet the field and seed standards will be tagged with a "quality seed" tag per WAC 16-302-395 through 16-302-410 or WAC 16-302-740 through 16-302-756.

(3) Tag fees are specified in WAC 16-303-350.

(4) Quality tagging does not include required field inspection or laboratory analysis.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-315, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310, chapter 34.05 RCW, and 2012 2nd sp.s. c 7. WSR 12-19-065, § 16-303-315, filed 9/17/12, effective 10/18/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 07-21-060, § 16-303-315, filed 10/12/07, effective 12/1/07. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW, 2003 c 308. WSR 03-18-071, § 16-303-315, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005,

**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.

(2) Seed certification application due dates are specified in WAC 16-302-050.

(3) The applicant for seed certification is responsible for seed certification fees including sampling, testing, tagging 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 quality exams, etc., are in addition to the fees listed in this section.

(4) Certification fees for seed certified by the department are as follows:

Crop	Application Fee	Seedling Field Inspection Fee	Seedling Producing or Field Inspection Fee	Late Application Penalty Fee	Reinspection Fee (other than isolation)	Seed Shipped Out-of-State (uncleaned) Document Fee
Alfalfa, Red clover, White clover and Trefoil	\$45 per field	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Annual grass	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Bean *1 *2	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Camelina	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Corn (Hybrid and nonhybrid) *3	\$45 per field	N/A	\$76.00 first acre, \$17 each additional acre	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$8 each document
Hemp	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Perennial grass	\$45 per field	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Radish	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document

Crop	Application Fee	Seedling Field Inspection Fee	Seedling Producing or Field Inspection Fee	Late Application Penalty Fee	Reinspection Fee (other than isolation)	Seed Shipped Out-of-State (uncleaned) Document Fee
Rapeseed, Canola, and Mustard	\$45 per field	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
			Hybrid rapeseed, canola and mustard \$7.00 per acre, per required inspection			
Sunflower	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
			Hybrid sunflower \$7.00 per acre, per required inspection			
Turnip, Rutabaga, Kale	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Woody Plants and Forbs	\$45 per field	N/A	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$139 fee per late application	hourly rate plus drive time and mileage	\$7 each document
Service Inspections excluding hybrid	\$45 per field	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	\$3.90 per acre, per required inspection	N/A	N/A	N/A
Annual and Rough Bluegrass Quarantine	\$45 per field	\$87.60 per acre plus time and mileage including travel time	\$87.60 per acre plus time and mileage including travel time	N/A	N/A	N/A

\*1 One inspection is required for Great Northern, Red Mexican, pinto, pink, and small white bean.

\*2 Includes windrow inspection which is required for certification of snap beans, kidney beans, and eligibility for shipment into the state of Idaho.

\*3 Corn bin inspection billed at 45 minutes of the hourly rate per inspection.

(5) Crop acreage fee does not include required laboratory fees or tagging. Minimum tagging fee is \$17.00 per application. Tagging fees are specified in WAC 16-303-350. This does not include the shipping and handling charge for tags.

(6) (a) Crop hybrid pollen count:

(b) All crops except corn and hemp:

(i) \$67.42 per inspection if done at the time of the certification inspection.

(ii) \$187.00 per inspection is not conducted at the time of the certification inspection.

(7) No refund on rejected fields due to findings or results. To be eligible for a refund of the per acre fees, the seed crop application must be withdrawn prior to the field inspection.

(8) Seed stock class (foundation/prebasic, registered/basic) of all crops for certification \$32.50 per field plus per acre fee.

(9) Seedling field inspection and seedling producing or field inspection fee is \$90 minimum fee, per inspection.

(10) Seedling field inspection and 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.

(11) Late application penalty fee is based on scheduling and may also include travel time and mileage. After application due date, application may be rejected.

(12) Reinspection fee mileage will be charged at the current OFM mileage rate.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-320, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22. 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, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3) and chapter 17.24 RCW. WSR 01-01-015, § 16-303-320, filed 12/6/00, effective 1/6/01.]

**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.]

**WAC 16-303-350 Seed tagging fees.** (1) Seed tagging fees for certification, O.E.C.D., crucifer and specialty tags are as follows:

<b>Certified Tags</b>	
Card stock 4x3: Sod quality, Quality Timothy, Quality Orchard grass, Foundation, Registered, Certified, Experimental, Select, Source Identified	\$0.03/tag
Certified substandard class	\$0.13/tag
Certified adhesive 4x3	\$0.06/tag
Registered adhesive	\$0.09/tag
<b>OECD Tags</b>	
OECD 4x3 1st Gen tag	\$0.08/tag
OECD 4x3 Prebasic, Basic	\$0.31/tag
OECD 4-5/8 x 2-7/8 adhesive	\$0.08/label
<b>Crucifer Tags</b>	
1.5x1 Crucifer adhesive label	\$0.19/label
1x3 Crucifer adhesive label	\$0.19/label
4x1 Crucifer adhesive label	\$0.10/label
4x3 Crucifer card stock	\$0.13/tag
4x8 Crucifer adhesive label	\$0.10/label
4x8 Crucifer card stock	\$0.13/tag
<b>Specialty Tags</b>	
Zip tie and all other specialty tags	\$2.22 each

(2) Reissuance of certification tags requires an application fee of \$17.00 plus price of tags.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].310, and [15.49].370. WSR 22-02-028, § 16-303-350, filed 12/29/21, effective 1/29/22.]