

WAC 16-529-040 Board membership qualifications. (1) The affected producer members of the board must be practical producers of alfalfa seed and each shall be a citizen and resident of this state, over the age of 18 years. Each affected producer board member must be and have been actually engaged in producing alfalfa seed within the state of Washington for a period of five years and has during that time derived a substantial portion of their income therefrom and is not engaged in business, directly or indirectly, as a handler or other dealer.

(2) The affected handler member of the board must be a practical handler of alfalfa seed and shall be a citizen and resident of this state, over the age of 18 years. The affected handler board member must be and have been, either individually or as an officer or an employee of a corporation, firm, partnership, association, or cooperative, actually engaged in handling alfalfa seed within the state of Washington for a period of five years and has during that period derived a substantial portion of their income therefrom.

(3) The qualifications of members of the board must continue during their term of office.

(4) To accomplish the transition to a commodity board structure where the director appoints a majority of the board members, the names of the currently elected board members in positions 2, 4, 6, and 7 shall be forwarded to the director for appointment within 30 days of the effective date of this amended marketing order.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.24.035, 15.26.060, 15.28.023, 15.44.021, 15.65.240, 15.66.113, 15.88.050, 15.89.050, 15.115.060, 16.67.060, 43.01.160, and 43.23.025. WSR 24-24-113, s 16-529-040, filed 12/4/24, effective 1/4/25. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.65.047 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 05-08-010, § 16-529-040, filed 3/25/05, effective 4/25/05; Order 1, Article II, § C, filed 3/13/75, effective 7/1/75.]