

STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
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ORDER NO. 977

Effective May 15, 1965

RULES FOR SMALL GRAIN SEED CERTIFICATION

I, Cameron S. Adams, Acting Director of Agriculture of the State of Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me under Chapter 15.48 RCW, Laws of 1961, after due notice as provided under Chapters 42.32 and 34.04 RCW, and a public hearing held in Yakima, Washington, on March 15, 1965, do hereby promulgate the following regulation relating to the certification of small grain seed.

Regulation 1. The General Rules for Seed Certification are basic and together with the following specific rules constitute the rules for small grain seed certification.

Section 1. The varieties and eligible seed stock are as follows:

Barley	Alpine, Atlas, Belford, Gem, Heines Hanna, Traill, Unitan, Velvon, White Winter
Oats	Cody, Markton, Overland, Park
Rye	Abruzzi
Wheat	Baart, Brevor, Burt, Columbia, Federation, Gaines, Henry, Idaed, Idaed 59, Itana, Marfed, Omar, Sentry

Foundation seed is eligible to produce Registered seed.  
Registered seed is eligible to produce Certified seed.  
Certified seed is for production of commercial grain only.\*

\*For those varieties of which the amount of Registered seed is limited, Certified seed may be planted for the production of Certified seed.

Section 2. An application for seed certification must be filed with the Washington State Crop Improvement Association, Inc. for each field by June 1.

1. Each application must be accompanied by the application fee and the official certification tags, or the Certified Seed Bulk Sale Certificate, which were attached to the seed planted.
2. Late applications are acceptable from June 2 to July 15, and must be accompanied by the late penalty fee.
3. The application fee for each variety is \$10.00 for 10 or fewer acres plus \$.50 for each additional acre.
  - a. The late penalty fee is \$5.00 for each application
  - b. Harvest before field inspection causes forfeiture of both the application fee and the completion of certification
  - c. A field may be withdrawn from certification only upon written request by the applicant before field inspection. In such case, the application fee may be refunded upon request.
4. The reinspection fee is \$5.00 for each field which did not pass field inspection.
5. The final certification fee is at the rate of 7¢ per cwt. of the cleaned seed sampled.

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Section 3. Land must not have grown the same kind of grain crop the preceding year unless the previous grain crop was grown from certified seed of the same variety.

Section 4. Isolation requirements shall be as follows:

1. Small grain fields for certification must be isolated by a three-foot margin from other small grain fields.
2. Rye fields for certification must be isolated by 660 feet from rye fields grown from other than certified seed of the same variety.)

Section 5. Field tolerances shall be as follows:

FACTOR	FOUNDATION	REGISTERED	CERTIFIED
Other varieties (Max.)	None	10 plants/acre	30 plants/acre
Other inseparable crops (Max.)	None	10 plants/acre	20 plants/acre
Rye in barley, oats, or wheat	None	None	None
Chemically controllable seed-borne diseases (Max.)	10 heads/acre	20 heads/acre	40 heads/acre

1. Roguing to remove varietal and crop mixtures is required.
2. Prohibited noxious weeds must be prevented from flowering.
3. The field inspection will be made when the seed crop is fully headed and of mature color, when varietal and crop mixtures can be determined.

Section 6. Seed standards shall be as follows:

FACTOR	(White Tag) FOUNDATION	(Purple Tag) REGISTERED	(Blue Tag) CERTIFIED	BULK GRADE CERTIFIED
Pure seed (Min.)	98.00%	98.00%	98.00%	96.00% 98.00% Oats
Other distinguishable varieties (Max.)	None	1/1b	4/1b	4/1b
Inert matter (Max.)	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%	4.00% 2.00% Oats
Smut balls	None	None	None	None
Other crop seed (Max.)*	None	0.05%	0.10%	0.10%
Other small grain (Max.)	None	1/1b	2/1b	5/1b
Weed seed (Max.)	None	0.05%	0.05%	0.10%
Prohibited noxious	None	None	None	None
Objectionable, catchfly, dogbane & growwell (Max.)	None	3/1b	5/1b	5/1b
Wild oats (Max.)	None	None	3/1b	5/1b
Germination (Min.)	85.00%	85.00%	90.00% 85.00% Rye	85.00% 70.00% Rye

\*No rye, Austrian peas, or vetch shall be allowed in barley, oats, or wheat. No Austrian peas or vetch allowed in rye.

1. Bulk Grade Class certified seed is a subclass of Certified Class which has less stringent seed standards and is ineligible for certification tags.
2. A Certified Seed Bulk Sale Certificate completed by the grower or dealer must accompany each sale of Bulk Grade Class certified seed and must be distributed per the legend on the certificate.

3. A Certified Seed Bulk Sale Certificate, as executed in Section 6, Paragraph 3, may be substituted for certification tags in special situations where bagging, and/or tagging, and sealing is impracticable.

Section 7. Cleaning, tagging, and sealing of certified seed is permitted by a grower who has his own cleaning equipment and processes only his own seed which is stored on his own farm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the regulation promulgated by the Department of Agriculture.



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Cameron S. Adams  
Acting Director of Agriculture  
State of Washington

Signed at Olympia, Washington

Date: \_\_\_\_\_