

WAC 16-302-410 Standards for sod quality seed. (1) Except for ryegrass sod quality seed, seed standards for sod quality grass seed are as follows:

Variety	Minimum % Pure	Minimum % Germination	Maximum% Other Crops (a)	Maximum% Weeds (b)
Kentucky Bluegrass	97	80	0.10	0.02
Red Fescue	98	90	0.10	0.02
Chewings Fescue	98	90	0.10	0.02
Tall Fescue	98	85	0.10	0.02

- (a) Must be free of ryegrass, orchardgrass, timothy, *Agrostis* sp., black medic, *Poa trivialis*, brome, reed canarygrass, tall fescue, clover, and meadow foxtail. Maximum allowable Canada bluegrass 0.02%. When the base sample is one of these kinds, the species will not be considered a contaminant (i.e., tall fescue in tall fescue).
- (b) Must be free of Big, Canby and Sandberg bluegrass, dock, chickweed, crabgrass, plantain, short-awn foxtail, annual bluegrass, velvetgrass, *Vulpia* sp., and noxious weed seeds as listed under WAC 16-302-100 and 16-302-105.

(2) Seed standards for sod quality ryegrass seed are as follows:

Variety	Minimum% Pure	Germination % (d)	Other Crops % (a)	Maximum % Weeds (c)
Ryegrass (b)	98	90	0.10	0.02

- (a) Must be free of black medic, orchardgrass, timothy, *Agrostis* sp., *Poa trivialis*, brome, reed canarygrass, tall fescue, clover and meadow foxtail. Maximum allowable Canada bluegrass 0.02%.
- (b) Maximum fluorescence levels as determined by breeder or variety owner.
- (c) Must be free of Big, Canby and Sandberg bluegrass, dock, chickweed, crabgrass, plantain, annual bluegrass, velvetgrass, *Vulpia* sp., short-awn foxtail, and noxious weed seeds as listed under WAC 16-302-100 and 16-302-105. An additional 0.07% of weedy *Bromus* spp. will be allowed.
- (d) 85% minimum germination allowed on ryegrass varieties as designated by the breeder or variety owner. See list maintained by the seed program.

(3) A sod seed analysis certificate is the basis of determining if a lot meets sod quality standards. This certificate is issued by the certifying agency and represents a purity analysis, a twenty-five gram noxious all weed all crop exam and a germination test, except a 50-gram noxious all weed all crop exam is required for fescues and ryegrass.

(4) In addition to a seed certification tag, seed meeting sod quality certified seed standards will be tagged with a special "sod quality seed" tag.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.081, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3), and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 14-20-050, § 16-302-410, filed 9/25/14, effective 10/26/14. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.310 and chapter 34.05 RCW. WSR 06-15-137, § 16-302-410, filed 7/19/06, effective 8/19/06. Statutory Authority: Chapters 15.49 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 03-18-072, § 16-302-410, filed 8/29/03, effective 9/29/03; WSR 02-12-060, § 16-302-410, 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 00-24-077, § 16-302-410, filed 12/4/00, effective 1/4/01.]