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 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
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ORDER NO. 974

Effective May 2, 1965

RULES FOR WHITE CLOVER 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 regulations relating to the certification of white clover seed.

Regulation 1. The General Rules for seed certification are basic and together with the following specific rules constitute the rules for white clover seed certification.

Section 1. Following are the varieties eligible and the certification scheme for each:

<u>VARIETY</u>	<u>CERTIFICATION SCHEME</u>
Merit Ladino	Foundation - Certified
Pilgrim Ladino	Foundation - Certified
Fries Groninger White	Foundation (Basic) - Certified
Elanca White	Foundation (Basic) - Certified

Section 2. Fees for certification of white clover seed.

1. Seedling applications: (Due within 60 days after planting.)
 - a. Seedling application fee - - - - - \$10.00
 - b. Late penalty fee - - - - - \$10.00

An additional fee shall be charged for each seedling application received more than 60 days after planting. Seedling applications are not acceptable more than six months after planting.
2. Renewal applications: (Due June 15.)
 - a. Renewal application fee - - - - - \$10.00
 - b. Acreage fee - - - - - \$.50 per acre
(Refundable if acreage is withdrawn before inspection.)
 - c. Late penalty fee - - - - - \$10.00
(An additional fee shall be charged on each renewal application received after June 15. Renewal applications are not acceptable after July 31.)
3. Reinspection fee - - - - - \$10.00 each
If a field is rejected for certification, the grower may apply for reinspection after the cause for rejection has been corrected. Only two reinspections are permitted for each field each year.
4. Sampling fee - - - - - \$.10 per 100 lbs.
5. Tagging fee - - - - - \$.15 per 100 lbs.
The tagging fee is billed at completion of germination tests and payable in advance of tagging. If a lot of seed is eligible for tagging and none of the seed is tagged, 10 cents of the 15 cents cwt. charged is refundable upon request. Request for this refund must be submitted by August 1 of the year following harvest.
6. Purity and germination test: Fees as established by the Director of Agriculture.

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7. Fees for resampling, retagging, or services not listed shall be the most applicable fee established by the Director of Agriculture.

Section 3. Land requirements shall be as follows:

1. A field to be planted with Breeder seed for the production of Foundation seed shall be planted only on land which no white clover plants of any type have ever grown insofar as possible to determine.
2. A field to be planted with Foundation seed for the production of Certified seed shall be planted on land which no white clover plants of any type have grown for at least the preceding four years, during two of which shall have been in a cultivated crop or clean fallow.
3. Foundation or Certified producing fields shall be eligible for certification for only two harvest years following the year of seeding, provided that seed production the first year is prevented. Foundation fields may be reclassified to the next lower class after being harvested for seed for two years.
4. Reseeding of a field because of failure or partial failure of the first seeding may be done with permission of the Seed Branch.
5. Ditchbanks, roadways, etc., adjacent to a certified field must be free of volunteer white clover and noxious weeds.
6. Volunteer plants in the field may be cause for rejection or reclassification of a seed field.
7. No manure or other contaminating materials shall be applied during the establishment and productive period of the stand.

Section 4. Isolation requirements shall be as follows:

1. White clover for certification shall be isolated from all other white clover as follows:

CLASS PLANTED	CLASS PRODUCED	FIELDS LESS THAN 5 ACRES	FIELDS 5 ACRES OR MORE
Breeder	Foundation	1,320 feet	1,320 feet
Foundation	Certified	300 feet	165 feet

2. A field producing Foundation seed must be isolated 660 feet from a field of the same variety or strain producing Certified seed.
3. Isolation may be obtained by measuring off the required strip in the certified field; in cases where an adjoining field is planted with a different variety of white clover, or Ladino clover of a lower class which also requires more than mechanical isolation. The isolation strip must be mowed and not allowed to reach bloom stage.

Section 5. Field tolerances shall be as follows:

	FIELDS PRODUCING FOUNDATION	CERTIFIED
Other varieties (Max.)	None	10 plants per acre
Other clover (Max.)	None	20 plants per acre

White clover fields must be free of prohibited noxious weeds.


Section 6. Seed Standards shall be as follows:

<u>PURITY</u>	<u>FOUNDATION</u>	<u>Blue Tag CERTIFIED</u>
Pure seed (Min.)	98.00%	99.00%
Other crops (Max.)	.10%	.30%
Inert matter (Max.)	2.00%	1.00%
Weed seed (Max.)	.10%	.30%
Objectionable weed seeds* (Max.)	10 per lb.	90 per lb.
<u>GERMINATION</u>		
(Min. total germination and hard seeds.)	85.00%	85.00%

White clover must be free of prohibited noxious weeds.

*Seeds of the weeds listed as objectionable in General Rules for Seed Certification.

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


Cameron S. Adams
Acting Director of Agriculture
State of Washington

Signed at Olympia, Washington

Date: _____