



OREGON CANNABIS

Agricultural Hemp Seed Requirements



Oregon
Department
of Agriculture

Seed Regulatory Program
(503) 986-4620

Agricultural hemp seed is:

- Sold or intended to be sold for planting;
- Unprocessed or partially processed; and
- Capable of germination.

How do I know the seed is hemp and not marijuana?

- Agricultural hemp seed was harvested from hemp plants that have been tested pre-harvest and found to contain no more than 0.3% THC.

Involvement with Seed & Sales	Registration Requirements				
	Hemp Grower	Hemp Handler	Hemp Seed Producer	Retail Seed Dealer	Wholesale Seed Dealer
Cleaning or conditioning of agricultural hemp seed	✓	OR	✓	AND	✓
Selling or offering for sale only agricultural hemp seed you produce	✓	OR	✓	AND	✓
Seed broker who does not take possession of agricultural hemp seed					✓
Seed reseller who takes possession of agricultural hemp seed <i>Viable hemp seed is legally defined as hemp, therefore a registration is required.</i>		✓			
A. Selling or offering for sale agricultural hemp seed produced by others to growers for planting			AND	✓	
B. Selling or offering for sale agricultural hemp seed produced by others to retailers, distributors, brokers, or other wholesalers for resale				OR	✓

The state of Oregon does not recognize seed licenses issued by other states. If you sell in Oregon, you must meet the above requirements. More information on hemp: <https://oda.direct/hemp> and seed licenses: <https://oda.direct/SeedLicenses>

How do I find information about certified agricultural hemp seed varieties?

- Certified agricultural hemp seed does not guarantee any specific THC level in hemp plants grown from that seed. The Oregon State University Seed Certification Service manages seed certification in Oregon. Visit: <https://oda.fyi/OSUSeedCert> or Email: seedcert@oregonstate.edu

I need a purity and germination test for my agricultural hemp seed, who do I contact?

- The Oregon State University Seed Lab offers these services. Visit: <https://oda.fyi/OSUSeedLab> or Email: seedlab@oregonstate.edu — There may also be private labs offering purity and germination tests.

Labeling and Record Keeping

Do I have to label my agricultural hemp seed?

- Yes. Hemp seed is considered an agricultural seed as defined in ORS 633.511 to 633.750 and therefore the labeling requirements outlined in the Federal Seed Act and Oregon Seed Laws must be followed. For more information: <https://oda.direct/SeedLabeling>

What are the record keeping requirements for producing, processing, cleaning/conditioning, or selling agricultural hemp seed?

- The Oregon Hemp Program and ORS 633.680 requires certain records to be maintained. The Oregon Seed Laws and the Federal Seed Act also have record keeping requirements. These requirements may not overlap—check with both programs to ensure that the correct information is maintained.
 - Hemp record keeping requirements: <https://oda.direct/hemp>
 - Oregon and Federal Seed Act record keeping requirements: <https://oda.direct/SeedRecords>

Shipping and Export

I would like to ship my agricultural hemp seed to another state. How do I do this?*

Check with the state department of agriculture (or other entity that regulates import of agricultural hemp seed) in the state where you want to ship seed to determine their requirements.

A visual phytosanitary inspection (sometimes called a Pest & Disease or P&D inspection) or a phytosanitary certificate is often required. Depending on a state's requirements, other inspections or disease testing may be required.

- To apply for a state phytosanitary certificate, an account is needed with the Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking (PCIT) System. For more information: <https://pcit.aphis.usda.gov/pcit/>
- The Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) Plant Health Program can provide P&D inspections for agricultural hemp seed lots and other disease testing. For more information: <https://oda.direct/SeedTesting>

** Oregon statutes and rules are silent concerning the movement of hemp out of the state. Inspections or certificates do not constitute an endorsement by the Oregon Department of Agriculture of the movement of hemp or hemp products out of the state of Oregon.*

I would like to ship my agricultural hemp seed to another country. How do I do this?

ODA can assist with processes related to exporting agricultural hemp seed. Contact the ODA Plant Health Program at: (503) 986-4620.

A visual phytosanitary inspection (sometimes called a Pest & Disease or P&D inspection) and a phytosanitary certificate are required for all seed exports. Additional inspections or disease testing may also be required.

- You may need an import permit – this should be provided by the importer and will contain the phytosanitary requirements of the importing country.
- To apply for a federal phytosanitary certificate, an account is needed for the Phytosanitary Certificate Issuance and Tracking (PCIT) System: <https://pcit.aphis.usda.gov/pcit/>
- The ODA Plant Health Program can provide P&D inspections for agricultural hemp seed lots and other disease testing. For more information: <https://oda.direct/SeedTesting>

For questions regarding hemp registration:

ODA Hemp Program: <https://oda.direct/hemp> | hemp@oda.state.or.us

For questions regarding seed licenses, pest & disease inspections, and disease testing:

ODA Seed Program: <https://oda.direct/SeedLicenses> | ODA Seed Testing: <https://oda.direct/SeedTesting>

For questions regarding seed certification and purity & germination testing:

OSU Seed Certification Service: seedcert@oregonstate.edu | OSU Seed Lab: seedlab@oregonstate.edu