

CERTIFIED SEED GROWERS` GUIDE

STEPS IN CERTIFIED SEED PRODUCTION

THE GROWER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Obtain eligible planting stock (Foundation or Registered seed of varieties approved by OCIA).
2. Plant eligible seed on eligible land with adequate isolation from other varieties of the same kind.
3. Make application for field inspection prior to established deadline dates. Fill in all required information and send payment for inspection fees.
4. Submit seed source verification with application—certification label, sales invoice or PVP form (with tag attached on reverse side). Where more than one seed lot is used for production of a variety, a tag from each seed lot must be submitted.
5. Prepare seed fields for inspection, clearly mark field boundaries, rogue out weeds, other crop plants, etc.
6. Send appropriate representative sample to State Dept. of Agriculture Seed Laboratory (in OCIA sample bags) when seed is conditioned for sale.
7. Label seed lots that meet certification requirements with:

Official certification labels

Analysis tags

Variety protection statement if required
8. Send to OCIA office all PVP forms; account for all certification labels issued.

THE OKLAHOMA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Supply each grower with instructions and material for making application for field inspection.
2. Check each completed application carefully with special attention to land eligibility and origin and eligibility of planting stock.

3. Make field inspection of all crops at proper time and notify the grower of inspection results.
4. Make laboratory tests for purity analysis and germination on all samples submitted by growers.
5. Issue certificates and certification labels for seed lots that qualify for certification.
6. Publish directories of Registered and Certified seed production.