

**TITLE 61
LEGISLATIVE RULE
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**SERIES 9
WEST VIRGINIA SEED LAW REGULATIONS**

§61-9-1. General.

1.1. Scope. -- These legislative regulations declare the seed of Dodder (*Cuscuta* spp.) to be a noxious seed, sets the size for working samples, establishes germination test dates, germination standards and tolerances, required additional labeling for forest seeds, defines what corn may be sold as "Certified Hybrid," registration forms, defines sampler or display units and where fee stamps are to be displayed and reporting of pounds sold, provides laboratory service to farmers and dealers and sets fees, establishes methods for sampling, inspecting and analysis, relates to hold-over seed, establishes a seed certification agency and sets requirements for treated seed.

1.2. Authority. -- W. Va. Code §19-16-1.

1.3. Filing Date. -- June 2, 1975.

1.4. Effective Date. -- July 1, 1975.

§61-9-2. Authority.

2.1. By virtue of the authority vested in me as Commissioner of Agriculture, I, Gus R. Douglass, do hereby adopt and declare to be in effect on the first day of July, 1975, the following regulations and standards for the sale and distribution of agricultural, forest and vegetable seed.

§61-9-3. Weed Seeds And Size Of Working Sample.

3.1. Prohibited weed seeds. -- The seed of Dodder (*Cuscuta* spp.) is determined not to come under the definition for prohibited weeds and is hereby declared to be noxious rather than

prohibited noxious and is to be dealt with accordingly. (W. Va. Code §19-16-1(g))

3.2. The working sample for purity analysis and the determination of prohibited weeds shall be at least the weight set forth in the current publication of the Association of Official Seed Analysts as amended.

3.3. Tolerances. -- The tolerances for prohibited and noxious weed seeds and purity determinations shall be those as published in the current publication of the Association of Official Seed Analysts as amended.

3.4. When noxious weeds occur, the total amount present must be shown.

§61-9-4. Germination Standards And Tolerances.

4.1. The following germination test dates shall apply to seeds packaged in containers as indicated:

4.1.1. Seeds packed in regular containers: Twelve (12) months excluding the month in which the test was completed.

4.1.2. Seeds packed in "Hermetically" sealed containers: Thirty-six (36) months excluding the month in which the test was completed.

4.1.2.1. Seeds and containers classed as "Hermetically" sealed must meet the requirements for packaging as defined in the Federal Seed Act.

4.2. The following germination standards as

required by section 6-a-1 of the law are hereby established. The labels on all agricultural seeds germinating less than these standards must show, in addition to other required information, the words "germination below standard" in eight (8) point bold face type.

4.2.1. See Appendix Number 1, Germination for Agricultural Seeds; Appendix Number 2, Germination for Vegetable Seeds; and Appendix Number 3, Germination -Forest Seeds.

4.3. Germination tolerances for agricultural, forest and vegetable seeds. The tolerances shown in Table 1 (Appendix Number 4) are applicable to the percentage of germination and also to the sum of germination plus the hard seeds or firm ungerminated seeds.

§61-9-5. Additional Forest Seed Labeling Requirements.

In addition to the label requirements established by law, the following data shall be shown on the analysis tag and invoice:

5.1. Origin.

5.1.1. For seed collected from an indigenous (natural) stand, the area of collection given by latitude and longitude or geographic description or political subdivision such as state or county.

5.1.2. For seed collected from other than indigenous stand (plantation), the identity of the area of collection and the seed origin of the stand or state "Origin Not Indigenous."

5.2. The upper and lower elevations within which seed was collected.

5.3. The common name and scientific or genetic name.

5.4. The year in which such collection was made.

5.5. Germination.

5.5.1. Germination shall be shown in percentage and percentage of firm ungerminated seed; or

5.5.2. When such seed is transported or delivered for transportation within the calendar year collected or within six (6) months following the calendar year of collection such seed may bear the statement "Test in Progress" if this be so; or

5.5.3. When such seed is being transported to a consumer, the name of the consumer and the statement "Contract seed not for resale and subject to test to be arranged."

§61-9-6. Hybrid Seed Corn.

6.1. Only seed of field corn hybrids that have been certified by an officially recognized certifying agency in the state, province or county in which the seed is grown may be labeled or advertised as "Certified Hybrid Seed Corn."

§61-9-7. Certificate Of Registration.

7.1. Application forms for certificate of registration must be secured from the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Charleston, West Virginia, and will be furnished upon request.

§61-9-8. Sampler Or Display Unit.

8.1. A sampler or display unit is interpreted to mean a display collection of garden or vegetable seeds commonly known as "Packet Seeds" originally packed in primary consumer containers of eight (8) ounces or less by the person, firm or corporation who has registered to sell such seeds.

§61-9-9. Display Of Fee Stamps And Reporting Of Pounds Of Seed Sold.

9.1. For sampler or display units, stamps shall be attached in a conspicuous place on the front of the display unit.

9.2. For seeds requiring a sworn statement of pounds sold, the total poundage of each kind sold shall be reported on a form supplied by the Commissioner and the fee paid at the rate prescribed by law.

9.3. For seed potatoes: The number, variety and size of containers bought, offered or exposed for sale shall be reported by the person first entering such seed potatoes into West Virginia trade channels on forms provided by the Commissioner. Such person first offering seed potatoes for sale within the State of West Virginia shall furnish to his customers an invoice bearing the statement "West Virginia Seed Fee Declared and Paid," if this be so. Such statement may also be used by wholesale dealers on an arrears basis to accommodate their bookkeeping systems: Provided, That such arrears payments shall be not later than the fifteenth day of the following month for the previous month. Any person having in his custody any lot of seed potatoes and who is unable to produce such evidence of the seed fee having been paid shall be liable for payment of such fee.

§61-9-10. Laboratory Service To Farmers And Dealers.

10.1. As provided for in subdivision (4), subsection (b), section six of the law, facilities are available for making purity and germination tests for interested persons, and the months of July through December inclusive, are designated as the time when this service is available.

10.2. Charges for such tests shall be those in Table II as follows: (See Appendix Number 5)

§61-9-11. Sampling, Inspecting, Analyzing And Testing Agricultural, Forest And Vegetable Seeds.

11.1. The methods of sampling, analyzing and testing agricultural, forest and vegetable seeds shall be those adopted by the Association of Official Seed Analysts and in general use in seed laboratories.

§61-9-12. Hold Over Seed.

12.1. Seeds bearing germination test dates older than those specified in Sections 4.1.1. and 4.1.2. of these rules must be retested and relabeled or removed from sale.

§61-9-13. Establishment Of Certifying Agency.

13.1. As provided by law, the West Virginia Associated Crop Growers is hereby designated as the official certifying agency for the seeds grown in West Virginia.

§61-9-14. Treated Seed.

14.1. For all seeds named and treated as defined in this Act (for which a separate label may be used) the following is required:

14.1.1. A word or statement indicating that the seed has been treated.

14.1.2. The commonly accepted coined, chemical or abbreviated chemical (generic) name of the applied substance or description of the process used.

14.1.3. If the substance in the amount present with the seed is harmful to humans or other vertebrate animals, a caution statement such as "Do not use for food or feed or oil purposes." The caution for mercurial and similarly toxic substances shall be a poison statement or symbol.

14.1.4. If the seed is treated with an inoculant, the date beyond which the inoculant is not to be considered effective (date of expiration).

§61-9-15. Supersedure And Effective Date.

15.1. The foregoing regulations and standards supersede all orders, rules, regulations and standards heretofore issued and now in effect. The Commissioner reserves the right to revoke, suspend, rescind or amend any rules, regulations or standards herein set forth.

APPENDIX NUMBER 1

GERMINATION

For Agricultural Seeds (Including Hard Seeds)

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>	<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
Alfalfa	75	(b) Blue	65
Barley	80	(c) Fescues	70
Buckwheat	80	(d) Orchard	75
Clovers:		(e) Rye	80
(a) Alsike	80	(f) Sudan	70
(b) Crimson	75	Lespedeza	75
(c) Ladino	80	Millet	70
(d) Red	80	Oats	75
(e) Sweet	75	Rye	70
(f) White	80	Sorghum	65
Corn	80	Soybeans	75
Cow Peas	65	Timothy	75
Grasses:		Vetch	80
(a) Bentgrass, (hulled		Wheat	80
redtop creeping, etc.)		All other seeds not	
	75	listed above	50

APPENDIX NUMBER 2

GERMINATION

For Vegetable Seeds (Including Hard Seeds)

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>	<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
Artichoke	60	Lettuce	80
Asparagus	70	Muckmelons	75
Beans, Bush	70	Mustard	75
Beans, Lima	70	Okra	50
Beans, Pole	75	Onion	70
Beets	65	Parsley	60
Broccoli	75	Parsnips	60
Brussel Sprouts	70	Peas	80
Cabbage	75	Pepper	55
Cardoon	60	Pumpkin	75
Carrot	55	Radish	75
Cauliflower	75	Rhubarb	60
Celery	55	Rutabaga	75
Celeriac	55	Salsify	75
Chicory	65	Soybeans, edible	75
Collards	80	Sorrel	60
Corn	75	Spinach	60
Cucumber	80	Spinach (New Zealand)	40
Dandelion	45	Squash	75
Egg Plant	60	Swiss Chard	65
Endive	70	Tomato	75
Fetticus	70	Tomato (husk)	50
Kale	75	Turnip	80
Kohl Rabi	75	Watermelon	70
Leek	60		

APPENDIX NUMBER 3

GERMINATION

Forest Seeds (Includes Firm Ungerminated Seeds)

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
Red Pine (<i>Pinus resinosa</i>)	85
Scotch Pine (<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>)	85
Shortleaf Pine (<i>Pinus echinata</i>)	85
Virginia Pine (<i>Pinus Virginiana</i>)	85
Eastern White Pine (<i>Pinus strobus</i>)	85
Colorado Blue Spruce (<i>Picea pungens</i>)	80
Norway Spruce (<i>Picea abies</i>)	80
Red Spruce (<i>Picea rubens</i>)	80
Douglas Fir (<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>)	70
Balsam Fir (<i>Abies balsamea</i>)	30
Frazer Fir (<i>Abies fraseri</i>)	30
Eastern Hemlock (<i>Tsuga canadensis</i>)	30
Japanese Larch (<i>Larix leptolepis</i>)	60
Red Oak (<i>Quercus borealis</i>)	60
White Oak (<i>Quercus alba</i>)	60
Black Cherry (<i>Prunus serotina</i>)	60
Black Walnut (<i>Juglans nigra</i>)	60
Black Locust (<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>)	50
Sycamore (<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>)	30

All other forest seed must be labeled in accordance with actual germination test results and seed shall be stored in appropriate containers at a temperature of not more than thirty-eight (38) degrees F.

APPENDIX NUMBER 4

Table I

Germination Tolerances

<u>FOUND BY TEST</u>	<u>TOLERANCE</u>
96 or over	5
90 or over but less than 96	6
80 or over but less than 90	7
70 or over but less than 80	8
60 or over but less than 70	9
Less than 60	10

*No tolerance will be allowed on minimum germination standards herein set forth for vegetable seeds.

APPENDIX NUMBER 5

TABLE II

Charges for Tests

	<u>CHARGE FOR GERMINATION TEST</u>	<u>CHARGE FOR PURITY TEST</u>
All vegetables	\$2.25	\$ --
Bentgrasses, redtop, bluegrasses, brome grasses, orchard grass, tall oat grass, fescues, rye grasses and all other chaffy grasses	3.00	3.00
Alfalfa, clover, millets, rape, sudan grasses, soybeans, sorghums, timothy, vetches, all cereal grains and all other seeds not listed	2.25	2.25
Mixtures: Lawn, pasture, etc. *Per each ingredient	2.25*	6.00
Noxious weed examination	3.50	--
Tree and shrub seed	3.00	--
Flower seed	2.25	--

Proportionate charges will be made for tests and other seed determinations not listed above.

JAMES R. McCARTNEY

Secretary of State

THIS DATE JUN 4 1975

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
CHARLESTON 25305

GUS R. DOUGLASS
COMMISSIONER

June 2, 1975

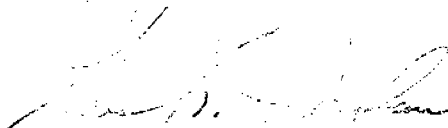
The Honorable James R. McCartney
Secretary of State
Capitol Building
Charleston, West Virginia 25305

Dear Secretary McCartney:

I am enclosing regulations designed to implement the West Virginia Seed Law as amended by the 1975 West Virginia Legislature. These regulations were adopted June 2, 1975, and are to become effective on the first day of July, 1975.

With kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,



Gus R. Douglass
Agriculture Commissioner

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WEST VIRGINIA ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS
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Subject: West Virginia Seed Law Regulations (Article 16)

Section 1.00 GENERAL.

1.01 Scope. These regulations declare the seed of Dodder (*Guscuta* spp.) to be a noxious seed, sets the size for working samples, establishes germination test dates, germination standards and tolerances, requires additional labeling for forest seeds, defines what corn may be sold as "Certified Hybrid", registration forms, defines sampler or display units and where fee stamps are to be displayed and reporting of pounds sold, provides laboratory service to farmers and dealers and sets fees, establishes methods for sampling, inspecting and analysis, relates to hold over seed, establishes a seed certification agency and sets requirements for treated seed.

1.02 Authority. Chapter 19, Article 16, Code of West Virginia, as amended February 21, 1975.

1.03 Effective Date. These regulations were adopted on the second day of June, 1975 and become effective on the first day of July, 1975.

1.04 Filing Date. These regulations were filed in the Office of the Secretary of State on the second day of June, 1975.

1.05 Certification. These regulations were certified authentic by the Secretary of State by certification number 33.

Section 2.00 INDEX.

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Section 3.00 AUTHORITY.

3.01 By virtue of the authority vested in me as Commissioner of Agriculture, I, Gus R. Douglass, do hereby adopt and declare to be in effect on the first day of July, 1975, the following regulations and standards for the sale and distribution of Agricultural, Forest and Vegetable Seeds.

Section 4.00 WEED SEEDS AND SIZE OF WORKING SAMPLE.

4.01 Prohibited weed seeds. The seed of Dodder (*Cuscuta* spp.) is determined not to come under the definition for prohibited weeds and is hereby declared to be noxious rather than prohibited noxious and is to be dealt with accordingly. (19-16-1-G)

4.02 The working sample for purity analysis and the determination of prohibited weeds shall be at least the weight set forth in the current publication of the Association of Official Seed Analysts as amended.

4.03 Tolerances. The tolerances for prohibited and noxious weed seeds and purity determinations shall be those as published in the current publication of the Association of Official Seed Analysts as amended.

4.04 When noxious weeds occur, the total amount present must be shown.

Section 5.00 GERMINATION STANDARDS AND TOLERANCES.

5.01 The following germination test dates shall apply to seeds packaged in containers as indicated:

(a) Seeds packed in regular containers: twelve (12) months excluding the month in which the test was completed.

(b) Seeds packed in "hermetically" sealed containers: thirty-six (36) months excluding the month in which the test was completed.

(1) Seeds and containers classed as "hermetically" sealed must meet the requirements for packaging as defined in the Federal Seed Act.

5.02 The following germination standards as required by Section 6-a-1 are hereby established. The labels on all agricultural seeds germinating less than these standards must show, in addition to other required information, the words "germination below standard" in eight point bold face type.

5.03 For agricultural seeds (including hard seeds).

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>	<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
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Grasses:		Vetch	80
Bentgrass, (hulled		Wheat	80
red top, creeping,		All other seeds not listed	
etc.)	75	above	50

5.04 For vegetable seeds (including hard seeds).

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>	<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
Artichoke	60	Lettuce	80
Asparagus	70	Muskmelon	75
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Broccoli	75	Parsnips	60
Brussel Sprouts	70	Peas	80
Cabbage	75	Pepper	55
Cardoon	60	Pumpkin	75
Carrot	55	Radish	75
Cauliflower	75	Rhubarb	60

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>	<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
Celery	55	Rutabaga	75
Celeriac	55	Salsify	75
Chicory	65	Soybeans, edible	75
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Endive	70	Tomato	75
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Kale	75	Turnip	80
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5.05 Forest seeds (includes firm ungerminated seeds.)

<u>Seed</u>	<u>Germination</u>
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Sycamore (<i>Platanus occidentalis</i>)	30

(1) All other forest seed must be labeled in accordance with actual germination test results and seed shall be stored in appropriate containers at a temperature of not more than 38 degrees F.

5.06 Germination tolerances for agricultural, forest and *vegetable seeds. The tolerances shown in Table I are applicable to the percentage of germination and also to the sum of germination plus the hard seeds or firm ungerminated seeds.

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Table 1

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*No tolerance will be allowed on minimum germination standards herein set forth for vegetable seeds.

Section 6.00 ADDITIONAL FOREST SEED LABELING REQUIREMENTS.

In addition to the label requirements established by law, the following data shall be shown on the analysis tag and invoice:

6.01 Origin:

(1) For seed collected from an indigenous (natural) stand, the area of collection given by latitude and longitude or geographic description or political sub-division such as state or county.

(2) For seed collected from other than indigenous stand (plantation), the identity of the area of collection and the seed origin of the stand or state "origin not indigenous."

6.02 The upper and lower elevations within which seed was collected.

6.03 The common name and scientific or genetic name.

6.04 The year in which such collection was made.

6.05 Germination:

(1) Germination shall be shown in percentage and percentage of firm un-germinated seed; or

(2) When such seed is transported or delivered for transportation within the calendar year collected or within six (6) months following the calendar year of collection such seed may bear the statement "test in progress" if this be so; or

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(3) When such seed is being transported to a consumer, the name of the consumer and the statement "contract seed not for resale and subject to test to be arranged."

Section 7.00 HYBRID SEED CORN.

7.01 Only seed of field corn hybrids that have been certified by an officially recognized certifying agency in the state, province, or county in which the seed is grown may be labeled or advertised as "Certified Hybrid Seed Corn."

Section 8.00 CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.

8.01 Application forms for certificate of registration must be secured from the West Virginia Department of Agriculture, Charleston, West Virginia, and will be furnished upon request.

Section 9.00 SAMPLER OR DISPLAY UNIT.

9.01 A sampler or display unit is interpreted to mean a display collection of garden or vegetable seeds commonly known as "packet seeds" originally packed in primary consumer containers of eight ounces or less by the person, firm or corporation who has registered to sell such seeds.

Section 10.00 DISPLAY OF FEE STAMPS AND REPORTING OF POUNDS OF SEED SOLD.

10.01 For sampler or display units, stamps shall be attached in a conspicuous place on the front of the display unit.

10.02 For seeds requiring a sworn statement of pounds sold, the total poundage of each kind sold shall be reported on a form supplied by the commissioner and the fee paid at the rate prescribed by law.

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Section 11.00 LABORATORY SERVICE TO FARMERS AND DEALERS.

11.01 As provided for in Section 6, (b), (4), facilities are available for making purity and germination tests for interested persons, and the months of July through December inclusive, are designated as the time when this service is available.

11.02 Charges for such tests shall be those in Table II as follows:

TABLE II

	CHARGE FOR GERMINATION TEST	CHARGE FOR PURITY TEST
All vegetables.....	\$2.25	\$ -
Bentgrasses, redtop, bluegrasses, brome grasses, orchard grass, tall oat grass, fescues, rye grasses and all other chaffy grasses.....	3.00	3.00
Alfalfa, clover, millets, rape, sudan grasses, soybeans, sorghums, timothy, vetches, all cereal grains, and all other seeds not listed.....	2.25	2.25
Mixtures: Lawn, Pasture, etc.....	2.25*	6.00
*Per each ingredient		
Noxious weed examination.....	3.50	-
Tree and shrub seeds.....	3.00	-
Flower seeds.....	2.25	-
Proportionate charges will be made for tests and other seed determinations not listed above.		

Section 12.00 SAMPLING, INSPECTING, ANALYZING AND TESTING AGRICULTURAL, FOREST AND VEGETABLE SEEDS.

12.01 The methods of sampling, analyzing and testing agricultural, forest and vegetable seeds shall be those adopted by the Association of Official Seed

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Analysts and in general use in seed laboratories.

Section 13.00 HOLD OVER SEED.

13.01 Seeds bearing germination test dates older than those specified in Section 5.01, Sub-sections (a) and (b) must be retested and relabeled or removed from sale.

Section 14.00 ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTIFYING AGENCY.

14.01 As provided by law, the West Virginia Associated Crop Growers is hereby designated as the official certifying agency for the seeds grown in West Virginia.

Section 15.00 TREATED SEEDS.

15.01 For all seeds named and treated as defined in this Act (for which a separate label may be used) the following is required:

15.02 A word or statement indicating that the seed has been treated.

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15.05 If the seed is treated with an inoculant, the date beyond which the inoculant is not to be considered effective (date of expiration).

Section 16.00 SUPERSEDURE AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

16.01 The foregoing regulations and standards supersede all orders, rules, regulations and standards heretofore issued and now in effect. The commissioner reserves the right to revoke, suspend, rescind or amend any rules, regulations or standards herein set forth.

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16.02 Done in the Office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, Capitol Building, Charleston, West Virginia, this the second day of June, 1975, to become effective the first day of July, 1975.



Gus R. Douglass
Agriculture Commissioner

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATIVE REGULATIONS
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TITLE: West Virginia Seed Law Regulations

Section 1. General

1.1 Scope - These Legislative Regulations declare the seed of Dodder (Cuscuta spp.) to be a noxious seed, sets the size for working samples, establishes germination test dates, germination standards and tolerances, requires additional labeling for forest seeds, defines what corn may be sold as "Certified Hybrid", registration forms, defines sampler or display units and where fee stamps are to be displayed and reporting of pounds sold, provides laboratory service to farmers and dealers and sets fees, establishes methods for sampling, inspecting and analysis, relates to hold-over seed, establishes a seed certification agency and sets requirements for treated seed.

1.2 Authority - W. Va. Code 19-16

1.2 Filing Date - June 2, 1975

1.3 Effective Date - July 1, 1975

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Section ² Authority

3.1 By virtue of the authority vested in me as Commissioner of Agriculture, I, Gus R. Douglass, do hereby adopt and declare to be in effect on the first day of July, 1975, the following regulations and standards for the sale and distribution of Agricultural, Forest and Vegetable Seeds.

Section ³ Weed Seeds and Size of Working Sample

4.1 Prohibited Weed Seeds. The seed of Dodder (Cuscuta spp.) is determined

not to come under the definition for prohibited weeds and is hereby declared to be noxious rather than prohibited noxious and is to be dealt with accordingly. (19-16-1-G)

4.2 The working sample for purity analysis and the determination of prohibited weeds shall be at least the weight set forth in the current publication of the Association of Official Seed Analysts as amended.

4.3 Tolerances - The tolerances for prohibited and noxious weed seeds and purity determinations shall be those as published in the current publication of the Association of Official Seed Analysts as amended.

4.4 When noxious weeds occur, the total amount present must be shown.

Section ⁴ Germination Standards and Tolerances

5.1 The following germination test dates shall apply to seeds packaged in containers as indicated:

5.1.1 Seeds packed in regular containers: twelve (12) months excluding the month in which the test was completed.

5.1.2 Seeds packed in "hermetically" sealed containers: thirty-six (36) months excluding the month in which the test was completed.

5.1.2.1 Seeds and containers classed as "hermetically" sealed must meet the requirements for packaging as defined in the Federal Seed Act.

5.2 The following germination standards as required by Section 6-a-1 (of the law) are hereby established. The labels on all agricultural seeds germinating less than these standards must show, in addition to other required information, the words "germination below standard" in eight point bold face type.

5.2.1 See Appendix Number 1, Germination for Agricultural Seeds; Appendix Number 2, Germination For Vegetable Seeds; and, Appendix Number 3, Germination - Forest Seeds.

5.3 Germination tolerances for agricultural, forest and *vegetable seeds - The tolerances shown in Table 1 (Appendix Number 4) are applicable to the percentage of germination and also to the sum of germination plus the hard seeds or firm ungerminated seeds.

Section ⁵ Additional Forest Seed Labeling Requirements

In addition to the label requirements established by law, the following data shall be shown on the analysis tag and invoice:

6.1 Origin:

6.1.1 For seed collected from an indigenous (natural) stand, the area

of collection given by latitude and longitude or geographic description or political sub-division such as state or county.

6.1.2 For seed collected from other than indigenous stand (plantation), the identity of the area of collection and the seed origin of the stand or state "origin not indigenous".

6.2 The upper and lower elevations within which seed was collected.

6.3 The common name and scientific or genetic name.

6.4 The year in which such collection was made.

6.5 Germination:

6.5.1 Germination shall be shown in percentage and percentage of firm ungerminated seed; or

6.5.2 When such seed is transported or delivered for transportation within the calendar year collected or within six (6) months following the calendar year of collection such seed may bear the statement "test in progress" if this be so; or

6.5.3 When such seed is being transported to a consumer, the name of the consumer and the statement "contract seed not for resale and subject to test to be arranged".

Section ⁶ Hybrid Seed Corn

7.1 Only seed of field corn hybrids that have been certified by an officially recognized certifying agency in the state, province, or county in which the seed is grown may be labeled or advertised as "Certified Hybrid Seed Corn".

Section ⁷ Certificate of Registration

8.1 Application forms for certificate of registration must be secured from the West Virginia Department of agriculture, Charleston, West Virginia, and will be furnished upon request.

Section ⁸ Sampler or Display Unit

9.1 A sampler or display unit is interpreted to mean a display collection of garden or vegetable seeds commonly known as "packet seeds" originally packed in primary consumer containers of eight ounces or less by the person, firm or corporation who has registered to sell such seeds.

Section ⁹ Display of Fee Stamps and Reporting of Pounds of Seed Sold

10.1 For sampler or display units, stamps shall be attached in a conspicuous place on the front of the display unit.

10.2 For seeds requiring a sworn statement of pounds sold, the total poundage

of each kind sold shall be reported on a form supplied by the commissioner and the fee paid at the rate prescribed by law.

10.3 For seed potatoes: the number, variety and size of containers bought, offered or exposed for sale shall be reported by the person first entering such seed potatoes into West Virginia trade channels on forms provided by the commissioner. Such person first offering seed potatoes for sale within the State of West Virginia shall furnish to his customers an invoice bearing the statement "West Virginia Seed Fee Declared and Paid", if this be so. Such statement may also be used by wholesale dealers on an arrears basis to accommodate their bookkeeping systems, Provided, such arrears payments shall be not later than the fifteenth day of the following month for the previous month. Any person having in his custody any lot of seed potatoes and who is unable to produce such evidence of the seed fee having been paid shall be liable for payment of such fee.

Section ¹⁰11. Laboratory Service To Farmers And Dealers

11.1 As provided for in section 6, (b) (4), (of the law) facilities are available for making purity and germination tests for interested persons, and the months of July through December inclusive, are designated as the time when this service is available.

11.2 Charges for such tests shall be those in Table II as follows: (See Appendix Number 5)

Section ¹¹12: Sampling, Inspecting, Analyzing and Testing Agricultural, Forest and Vegetable Seeds

12.1 The methods of sampling, analyzing and testing agricultural, forest and vegetable seeds shall be those adopted by the Association of Official Seed Analysts and in general use in seed laboratories.

Section ¹²13. Hold Over Seed

13.1 ⁴Seeds bearing germination test dates older than those specified in Sections ~~6.1.1~~ and ~~8.1.2~~ ⁴ must be retested and relabeled or removed from sale.

Section ¹³14. Establishment of Certifying Agency

14.1 As provided by law, the West Virginia Associated Crop Growers is hereby designated as the official certifying agency for the seeds grown in West Virginia.

Section ¹⁴15. Treated Seed

15.1 For all seeds named and treated as defined in this Act (for which a separate label may be used) the following is required:

15.1.1 A word or statement indicating that the seed has been treated.

15.1.2 The commonly accepted coined, chemical or abbreviated chemical (generic) name of the applied substance or description of the process used.

15.1.3 If the substance in the amount present with the seed is harmful to humans or other vertebrate animals, a caution statement such as "Do not use for food or feed or oil purposes". The caution for mercurial and similarly toxic substances shall be a poison statement or symbol.

15.1.4 If the seed is treated with an inoculant, the date beyond which the inoculant is not to be considered effective (date of expiration).

Section ^{28.13} Supersedure and Effective Date

16.1 The foregoing regulations and standards supersede all orders, rules, regulations and standards heretofore issued and now in effect. The commissioner reserves the right to revoke, suspend, rescind or amend any rules, regulations or standards herein set forth.

16.2 Done in the Office of the Commissioner of Agriculture, Capitol Building, Charleston, West Virginia, this the second day of June, 1975, to become effective the first day of July, 1975.

Gus R. Douglass
Agriculture Commissioner