

**WAC 16-302-240 Seed standards for alfalfa seed certification.**

- (1) Alfalfa seed must be free of prohibited noxious weed seeds.
- (2) Foundation class must be free of *Brassica* spp.
- (3) Seed standards for the production of alfalfa seed are as follows:

| <b>Purity</b>   | <b>Foundation</b> | <b>Registered</b> | <b>Certified</b> |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Pure seed (minimum)   | 99.00%            | 99.00%            | 99.00%           |
| Other crop (maximum)  | 0.10%             | 0.10%             | 0.25%            |
| Sweet clover (maximum)                                      | None found        | None found        | 90 per lb.       |
| Inert matter (maximum)                                      | 1.00%             | 1.00%             | 1.00%            |
| Weed seed (maximum)   | 0.10%             | 0.20%             | 0.25%            |
| <i>Brassica</i> species                                     | None found        | —                 | —                |
| Prohibited weeds  | None found        | None found        | None found       |
| Objectionable weed (maximum)                                | None found        | None found        | 18 per lb.       |
| Germination (minimum total germ and hard seed)              | 80.00%            | 85.00%            | 85.00%           |
| or TZ, Tetrazolium Test (minimum total of TZ and hard seed) | 82.00%            | 87.00%            | 87.00%           |

[Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, [15.49].021, [15.49].310, [15.49].370, 15.140.030, and chapter 15.49 RCW. WSR 25-09-035, s 16-302-240, filed 4/9/25, effective 5/10/25. Statutory Authority: RCW 15.49.005, 15.49.310, 15.49.370(3), chapters 17.24 and 34.05 RCW. WSR 17-13-130, § 16-302-240, filed 6/21/17, effective 7/22/17. 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, § 16-302-240, filed 12/4/00, effective 1/4/01.]