



Policy on Variety Ownership and Seed Source Eligibility
for Varieties in the Oregon Seed Certification Service
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1. The Oregon Seed Certification Service (OSCS) bases decisions on variety ownership and seed source eligibility on the best information available and presented to OSCS.
2. Seed will be eligible for certification upon meeting the appropriate certification standards. Seed source eligibility will be based on Breeder seed tags or certification tags (Foundation, Registered or in some cases Certified). Original seed stock tags (Breeder, Foundation, Registered, or Certified as applicable) must be provided, or in the case of breeder seed only, OSCS will accept documentation and approval from the variety owner/responsible firm of record at OSCS or those designated in writing by the owner/responsible firm as having breeder seed designation rights.
3. Owner/responsible firm of record shall mean the person or entity on record with OSCS as owning the variety or having breeder seed designation rights.
4. If OSCS or any other person has a question about the validity or status of a Breeder seed tag or the authority of a person or entity claiming breeder seed designation rights or the right to make decisions regarding the seed, the question shall be resolved by the owner/responsible firm of record and OSCS shall abide by that decision once it has been informed of the decision.