

Certification Standards: The general standards for seed certification found in the Oregon Seed Certification Service Handbook (OSCS) are basic to all crops, and together with the following specific regulations constitute the certified Buckwheat standards.

Varieties Certified: Varieties and classes eligible for planting may be found in the OSCS Handbook.

Field History: Land must not have grown or been seeded to Buckwheat during the previous year, unless of the same variety and certified. Buckwheat must be planted in distinct rows. Exceptions must be approved by the Seed Certification Office prior to planting.

Field Inspection: One inspection will be made at the time the crop is in full bloom stage. Applications for certification must be submitted by June 15 or within 15 days of planting.

Field Standards:

Class of seed produced	Maximum other varieties permitted ¹	Isolation Requirements ² (Any size field)
Foundation	0.01%	1320 ft.
Registered	0.02%	660 ft.
Certified	0.05%	660 ft.

Seed Standards: (Minimum Sample Size – 2 Pounds)

Factor	Foundation (White tag)	Registered (Purple tag)	Certified (Blue Tag)
Pure seed, minimum	99.00%	99.00%	99.00%
Other crop, maximum	0.05%	0.15%	0.30%
Inert matter, maximum	1.00%	1.00%	1.00%
Weed seed ³ , maximum	0.10%	0.25%	0.50%
Weed seed, GROUP A ⁴ , singly or combined	None	4/lb.	4/lb.
Germination, minimum	85%	85%	85%

¹Includes off-type plants.

² See section IV D, General Standards in the OSCS Handbook.

³None of the prohibited weeds listed in Section V, General Standards in the OSCS Handbook nor any St. Johnswort allowed in any class of seed.

⁴GROUP A – Buckhorn plantain, Docks, Sheep sorrel and Bedstraw.