



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

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

Field History: Land must have been free of *Lotus* spp. for at least seven years to produce Foundation seed, and for at least five years to produce Registered or Certified seed. For Registered and Certified classes, these requirements are waived if the previous crop year of trefoil was of the same variety, same or higher class, and passed certification field requirements for genetic purity. Trefoil must be planted in distinct rows. Exceptions must be approved by the Seed Certification Office prior to planting.

Field Inspections: Includes a seedling and a seed crop inspection. The seedling application must be submitted within 60 days of planting and a seed crop application must be submitted by June 15 each year seed is produced.

Field Standards:

| Class of seed produced | Maximum permitted Other Varieties ¹ | Sweet Clover | Isolation Requirements ² | |
|------------------------|--|--------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | Less than 5 acres | More than 5 acres |
| Foundation | 0.1% | None | 1320 ft. | 1320 ft. |
| Registered | 0.2% | None | 990 ft. | 990 ft. |
| Certified | 0.5% | 5/acre | 330 ft. | 330 ft. |

Seed Standards: (Minimum Sample Size - 1/2 pound)

| Factor | Foundation (White Tag) | Registered (Purple Tag) | Certified (Blue Tag) |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Pure seed, minimum | 98.00% | 98.00% | 98.00% |
| Other crops, maximum | 0.10% | 0.10% | 1.00% |
| Sweet clover, maximum | None | 5/lb. | 25/lb. |
| Inert matter, maximum | 2.00% | 2.00% | 2.00% |
| Weed seed ³ , maximum | 0.10% | 0.20% | 0.50% |
| Weed Seed, GROUP A ⁴ , singly or combined | 15/lb. | 45/lb. | 90/lb. |
| Germination (includes hard seed) | 85% | 85% | 85% |

¹ Includes off-type plants

² See Section IV, D in the OSCS Handbook.

³ None of the prohibited weeds listed in Section V in the OSCS Handbook, nor any *Galium* spp. or pennycress allowed in any class of seed.

⁴ GROUP A – plantains, docks, sheep sorrel and wild carrot