

SEED CERTIFYING AGENCIES IN OTHER STATES

Each state in the United States has a state certifying agency. These certifying agencies cooperate and coordinate with each other to maintain records that verify the genetic purity and seed quality in each bag of certified seed. Certifying agencies are often called Crop Improvement Associations, Seed Certification Services, or Seed Grower Associations. Each state certifying agency belongs to a national organization called the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies (AOSCA). AOSCA also functions internationally.



FOUNDATION SEED



KIND: MEADOW BROMEGRASS
VARIETY: CACHE

REGISTERED SEED

KIND: BARLEY
VARIETY: GOLDENEYE
CERT #: B-33 LOT #: GB-4855
WARNING UAES PVP VARIETY

CERTIFIED SEED

KIND: ALFALFA
VARIETY: DON
CERT #: AL-33 LOT #: DFA-4855

UTAH CERTIFIED SEED

The seed in this container, with label properly affixed thereto, was produced in accordance (based on and limited to record of seed source and the results of representative field inspections and seed sample analysis) with the Seed Certification Requirements and Standards established by the Utah Crop Improvement Association for the CERTIFIED CLASS of certified seed. Beyond this certification representation, the Association makes no warranty, expressed or implied, as to merchantability or fitness for purpose or performance of the seed. This tag must be accompanied by a seed analysis label to comply with state and federal seed laws.

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PRODUCING CERTIFIED SEED

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If you are concerned about protecting your farm against weed and pest invasion, becoming a Certified Seed producer will likely go hand in hand with your current practices. Taking part in this process is a great benefit to your farm.

How so?

- Expanding knowledge of agronomic management practices
- Maintaining clean fields free of weeds and pests
- Adding another crop for rotations
- Creating beneficial professional relationships with other growers, seed companies and industry professional



CERTIFIED SEED PRODUCTION

PLANT ELIGIBLE SEED

The Certified Seed Program is based off of planting eligible seed stock. This seed stock is tracked by official tags or other paperwork that proves eligibility.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO SAVE ALL TAGS AND/OR PAPERWORK



PLANT THE SEED IN A CLEAN FIELD

Certified seed has field standards that should be considered before planting. Seed must be planted with equipment that has been thoroughly cleaned and planted in a field that is free from weeds or other crops that could cause a problem in completing the certification process. If there are questions about field qualifications please contact your local seed certification agency. UCIA's Certified Seed standards are available at www.utahcrop.org

SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION

A completed Application for Certification provides the Seed Certification Program with the proper information to have the seed certified. It is important to fill out this application shortly after the seed is planted for proper record keeping and timely submittal. The information requested on the application include field size, field history, planting date, and a few other specifics.



The applications need to be submitted as soon as possible after planting. UCIA representatives can explain the field inspection process and other important details that you will need to be familiar with. **Be sure you have heard from a UCIA representative and have a field inspection before harvesting the field.**



Certified Promontory Wheat Seed Field

THE PROCESS—Applications, and other needed information for producing certified seed are available online at utahcrop.org. UCIA personnel are glad to help with the process or any questions.

IN SUMMARY, Plant eligible seed, have seed fields inspected, sample seed lots after cleaning, tag and document seed lots with certified seed tags.