

# Soybean – Foundation, Registered and Certified Production

## General Requirements for All Pedigreed Seed Crops

The basic standards for all crops are set out in [General Requirements for All Pedigreed Seed Crops](#). In addition, the following standards apply to Soybean.

## Land Requirements

Inspected Crop	Must NOT be grown on land which:
Foundation, Registered & Certified	<p>In the previous year produced:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a non-pedigreed crop of Soybean.</li><li>• a different variety of Soybean except as below*.</li></ul>

### \*Certified Crops of Herbicide Tolerant Soybean Varieties

A seed crop of soybeans for Certified status may be produced on land that in the previous year was planted with pedigreed seed of a variety of soybeans not tolerant to at least one herbicide active ingredient if that herbicide active ingredient is applied to the seed crop being produced.

## Crop Inspection

Soybean crops must be inspected at maturity when at least 90% of the plants have dropped their leaves and the mature plants have distinguishing pod, pubescence and hilum colour characteristics.

## Crop Standards

### Isolation

Minimum Isolation Distances Required from an Inspected Crop to Other Crops:

1. Varietal Purity	Distance
a. Inspected pedigreed Soybean of same variety	1 meter (3 feet)
b. Different varieties of Soybean or non-pedigreed Soybean	3 meters (10 feet)

### Maximum Impurity Standards

1. **Varietal Purity** (off-types/other varieties on average in 10,000 plants)
  - a. Foundation – 10
  - b. Registered – 20
  - c. Certified – 30