APPENDIX A

DOCUMENTS

In this Appendix:

Documents and forms that are used in pedigreed seed crop certification are described in Appendix A of the CSGA *Regulations and Procedures for Pedigreed Seed Crop Production (Circular 6).*

A.1 SEED CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTS

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- A.1.3 Official Seed Tags

A.2 SEED CROP CERTIFICATION FORMS

- A.2.1 Application for Membership/Renewal
- A.2.2 Application for Seed Crop Certification
- A.2.3 Additional Seed Crop Certification Forms

A.1.1 SEED CROP INSPECTION REPORT

The decision to grant pedigreed status to an inspected crop rests solely with the CSGA. This decision is based on the CSGA's appraisal of the crop's compliance with their regulatory requirements. CSGA's appraisal requires the information on the crop inspection report prepared by an authorized crop inspector and other information which may be provided by the grower. The inspector is responsible for completion of the crop inspection report. The inspector does <u>not</u> make a decision on the status of the crop.

Once the Application for Seed Crop Certification and Membership Application/Renewal Form is received by the CSGA, a Seed Crop Inspection Report is created for each field. Data from the Application for Seed Crop Certification, the Membership Application/Renewal Form and the crop inspection report form for each field is sent to the authorized crop inspector.

The Seed Crop Inspection Report for each pedigreed seed crop is completed at the time of inspection by an authorized crop inspector.

Much of the information for the *Seed Crop Inspection Report* comes from the *Application for Seed Crop Certification* which the grower completes. Accuracy in completing the application reduces the risk of additional information being required by the CSGA, which delays the issuance of a crop certificate.

The Seed Crop Inspection Report is forwarded to the CSGA as soon as possible and to the grower. The completed Seed Crop Inspection Report is appraised by the CSGA. A Crop Certificate, a request for further information or a decline letter is issued based on the CSGA's appraisal.

The CSGA's appraisal of the *Seed Crop Inspection Report* considers all certification requirements of the crop. If the crop does not meet the requirements outlined in the *Canadian Regulations and Procedures for Pedigreed Seed Crop Production* (Circular 6), the crop will be declined pedigreed status.

The onus is on the grower to ensure, prior to the time of inspection, that the crop meets the standards established by the CSGA. Growers should carefully review the completed *Seed Crop Inspection Report* for accuracy and compliance with CSGA's requirements. If growers have any questions concerning the crop inspection report, they should contact the CSGA as soon as possible, and/or call to arrange a reinspection if necessary.

The letters below correspond to the following example of the CFIA *Seed Crop Inspection Report* form.

- A. This section is pre-printed by the CSGA and verified by the inspector. The **Grower Number** and **Sequence Number** are assigned to each crop report by the CSGA. Refer to these numbers when contacting the CSGA.
- B. **Estimated yield**. This may only be given in general terms and should not be used for other purposes.
- C. Company. The assignee's name should appear here if the crop certificate is assigned.
- D. Crop Location. This is the legal land location or GPS coordinates of the inspected crop.
- E. **Plot area**. The perimeter of plots is measured in meters.
- F. **Year sown** is used only for perennial crops.
- G. Crop Certificate, Lot number, Class. The inspector verifies the pedigreed seedlot identity numbers recorded from a grower's own crop certificate, seedlot sealing tags, or bulk seed certification documentation. The grower must keep the parent seed tags or certification documents until a crop certificate is received. The grower may be asked to send the tags or proof of parent seed identity to the CSGA. The inspector may attach one tag of each different imported seedlot to the CSGA copy of the report. Tags must be kept for the full seed crop life or age of stand of a perennial crop.
- H. **Number of Tags Checked** by the crop inspector.
- I. **Previous Land Use**. The inspector verifies and records previous land use information. The variety and the crop certificate number issued for the pedigreed crop(s) harvested in previous year(s) must be included. Do not record the pedigree of the seed sown in previous years.
- J. Isolation. It is important for growers to provide isolation for pedigreed seed crops throughout the growing season. The inspector records the isolation of the crop as it appears at the time of the crop inspection, including distance between the crop for inspection and adjacent crops, condition of the isolation strip and a description of adjacent crops and land use.
- K. Uniformity of Stand, General Appearance, General Weed Condition, Disease. These are recorded to provide a description to the CSGA appraiser of what the crop generally looks like and of specific seed borne disease symptoms.
- L. The inspector records incidence of specified "objectionable" weeds in the crop. "Very weedy" crops and/or crops containing Prohibited or Primary Noxious weeds may be declined pedigreed status.

- M. **Off-Types or Other Varieties**. The inspector counts the number of off-types, variants and other varieties in the crop on the basis of random selections of a specific population size within the crop. Refer to the maximum impurity standards for each crop kind.
- N. The inspector determines the number of plants of other crop kinds or weeds, the seeds of which may be difficult to separate from the inspected crop. This is done on the basis of random selections of a specific population size within the crop. Refer to the impurity standards for each crop kind.

Note: The information in Items N and O is used to determine the contamination in the crop. If contamination is in excess of the CSGA's standards, the crop may be declined pedigreed status.

- O. **Inspector's additional comments**. The inspector may provide more details on any required information.
- P. The **date of the inspection** and the **inspector's identification number**. The inspector also signs the crop inspection report.

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A.1.2 CSGA CROP CERTIFICATE

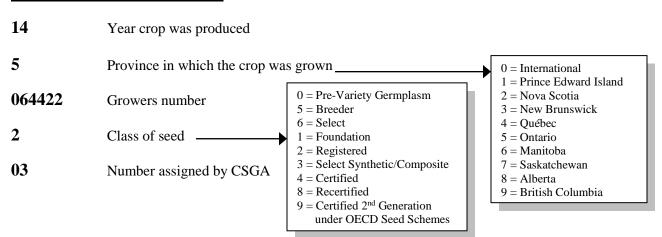
The *Crop Certificate* issued by CSGA is the official legal document designating that pedigreed status has been granted to the crops identified on the certificate.

It is issued to the grower of the crop provided that all requirements established by the *Canadian Regulations and Procedures for Pedigreed Seed Crop Production* (Circular 6) of the CSGA have been met.

Growers may assign Crop Certificates to another party using the Application for Seed Crop Certification.

The letters below correspond to the following example *Crop Certificate*.

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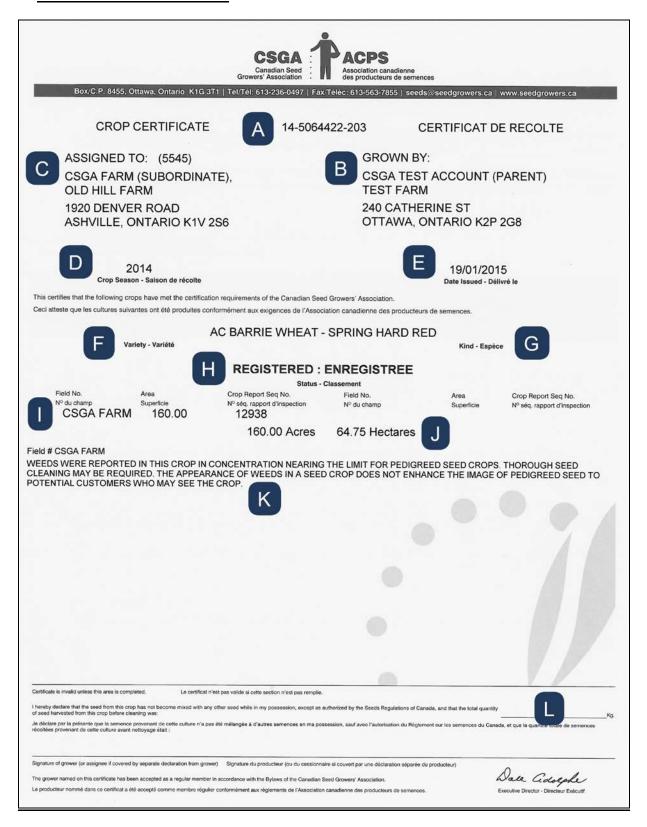


- A. Crop Certificate number a 12-digit number representing the pedigree of the crop(s).
- **B.** Grown by. The name(s) and address(es) of Applicant as indicated on the *Application for Seed Crop Certification and Membership Application/Renewal Form.* These will be the only name(s) on the certificate unless the certificate has been assigned to another party.
- **C.** If the Crop Certificate has been assigned to another party, the **assigned name** and address appears here. The *Crop Certificate* will be sent to the Assignee and notification to the applicant.
- **D.** The **Crop Season**. The year in which the crop was grown.
- **E. Date issued.** The date the *Crop Certificate* was issued by the CSGA.
- **F. Variety** of the crop covered by the *Crop Certificate*.
- **G. Kind** of the crop covered by the *Crop Certificate*.

- **H. Status**. The pedigreed class of the crop listed on the *Crop Certificate*.
- **I. Field Number** and **Area**. This section includes the field number and area for each field covered by the *Crop Certificate*. The unique sequence number from the *Seed Crop Inspection Report* is provided for traceability. More than one field of the same variety and status can be included on one *Crop Certificate*.
- **J. Total Area**. The total acreage covered by the *Crop Certificate*.
- **K. Additional Information/Comments**. This section of the *Crop Certificate* may contain an important message relating to the seed harvested from the pedigreed crops specified.
- **L.** The **total quantity of seed harvested** from the pedigreed crop(s) listed must be entered by the grower of the crop, together with the signature of the grower or the signature of the *Crop Certificate* assignee if the assignee has received a signed declaration of quantity harvested from the grower.
- **M. Seed Disposal**. The bottom and reverse side of the *Crop Certificate* provides information regarding disposal of the seed harvested from a pedigreed crop. This section is completed to indicate the quantities and identification of each lot of seed graded, labelled (or tagged) by the Registered Seed Establishment (or official inspector) as required by the federal *Seeds Act and Regulations*. Only one *Crop Certificate* is issued for a pedigreed seed crop, therefore this form should be returned to the grower of the seed after grading/labelling and other documentation have been completed.

All details concerning grading and labelling of seed from these crops should be completed on this form. For additional information, contact the Canadian Seed Institute (CSI) or the Seed Section of the CFIA.

CSGA CROP CERTIFICATE



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A.1.3 OFFICIAL SEED TAGS

Official seed tags, labels and other forms containing official certification marks are very important documents. These provide officially recognized third-party verification that indicates the variety, kind, class and grade, crop certificate number and seed sealing certificate and lot numbers. All tags or official certification documents that identity parent seed must be kept by the grower for verification by the authorized crop inspector and/or the CSGA office. This includes Breeder, Select, Foundation, Registered, bulk, Interagency, OECD and foreign certification tags.

When applying for pedigreed crop inspection, include the parent seed identity information from the tags on the *Application for Seed Crop Certification* (Appendix A.1a).

If seed used to plant a pedigreed crop is labelled with an Interagency or OECD tag (Figures 4 and 5, below), attach one tag to the *Application for Seed Crop Certification*.

Sample tags are shown on the following pages (Figures 1-9).

The lettered areas on the sample tags provide the following information:

- A. Class of Pedigreed Seed.
- B. Crop Kind.
- C. Variety.
- D. Grade and Class of Seed (as designated by the Canada *Seeds Act*).
- E. Crop Certificate Number (taken from the Crop Certificate, A.5).
- F. Seed Sealing Number (issued by CFIA or an Authorized Establishment on each distinct lot of seed which has been graded).
- G. Lot Number (the seed processor's identification number for the seed).
- H. Origin of the seed (Figures 6, 7 and 8).
- I. Name of institution or company (Figure 1).
- J. Signature of Plant Breeder or agent
- K. Name of Grower (Figure 2).
- L. Signature of grower (Figure 2).

Figure 1

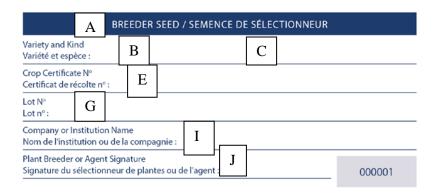


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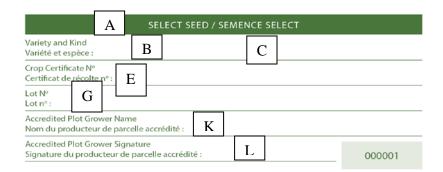


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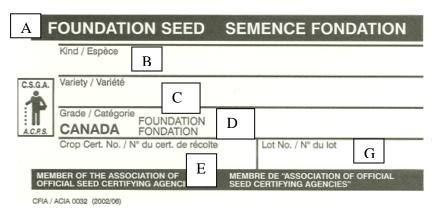


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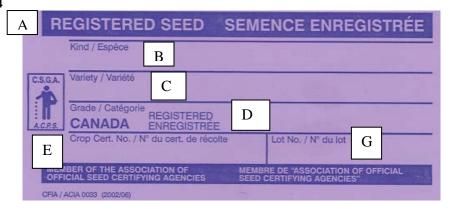


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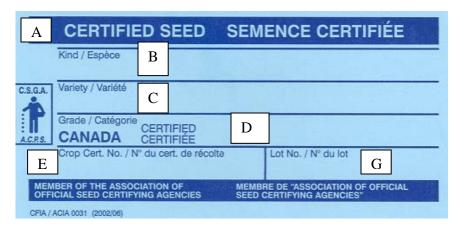


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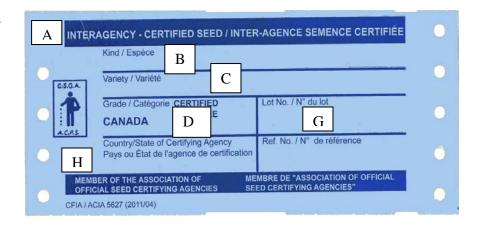


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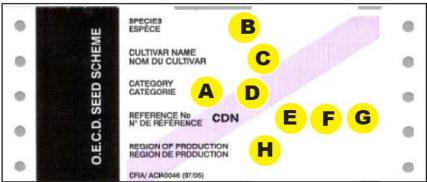


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Figure 9





A.2 SEED CROP CERTIFICATION FORMS

The seed crop certification forms described below can be found on the CSGA website at www.seedgrowers.ca. Contact CSGA if you require a password for the electronic forms which are available on the Members' Area of the website. Forms can also be obtained by contacting the CSGA by phone (613-236-0497).

Each spring, CSGA sends the Application for Membership/Renewal and Application for Seed Crop Certification to growers who applied to the CSGA for seed crop certification in the previous two (2) years. An *Application Support Document* which outlines the application process in more detail, including deadline dates and fees can be found on the CSGA website.

A.2.1 <u>APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL</u>

The first step in the seed crop certification process for new members is to complete the Application for Membership/Renewal to provide CSGA with contact information. For existing members, the Application for Membership Renewal is reviewed each spring to ensure that the contact information on file is current.

A.2.2 APPLICATION FOR SEED CROP CERTIFICATION

An Application for Seed Crop Certification must be submitted for each field to provide information such as the location and the size of the field, the parent seed source and previous land use. Growers must also designate the Authorized Seed Crop Inspection Service (ASCIS) who will be inspecting each field.

A.2.3 ADDITIONAL SEED CROP CERTIFICATION FORMS

In addition to the forms described above, forms are available online for:

All growers

- a) Appeal Application for growers who wish to appeal the demotion or decline of their seed crop.
- b) Land Use Verification for growers who wish to have their land use verified for pedigreed seed crop production.
- c) Field Map Verification for growers who wish to have their field maps reviewed to ensure that they meet CSGA field definition (Field Map Verification).

Select & Probationary Growers

- a) Report on Plot Production which must be completed by the Select or Probationary grower for each variety grown in their plots in a given year.
- b) *Probation Plot Application* which is used for a non-Select grower to apply to be on probation to become a Select grower.

Plant Breeders

a) Application for Breeder Seed Crop Certificate and Certification Eligibility which is used to certify Breeder seed crops and verify the eligibility of a variety for certification.

- b) Variety Certification Eligibility which is used to verify the eligibility of a variety for certification for varieties not subject to variety registration or varieties which will be identified by variety name on official seed certification tags prior to registration.
- c) *Demotion of Breeder Seed* which is used by plant breeders to apply for a demotion of Breeder seed in order to sell it as Foundation, Registered and/or Certified.