

Idaho Blue Flax Certification Standards (rev. 3/17/2015)

Land Requirements:

- A. Breeder seed for the production of foundation seed shall be planted on land on which no Blue flax was grown or planted during the five (5) years prior to the one in which the present stand is planted.
- B. Foundation seed for the production of registered seed shall be planted on land on which no perennial flax was grown or planted during the four (4) years prior to the one in which the present stand is planted.
- C. Foundation, registered and/or certified seed for the production of certified seed shall be planted on land on which no perennial flax was grown or planted during the three (3) years prior to the one in which the present stand was planted.
- D. For foundation, registered and certified seed the land must be free from volunteer plants as determined by field inspection at time seeding is established.

Isolation Requirements:

A field producing foundation, registered or certified seed must have the minimum isolation distance from fields of any other variety or fields of the same variety that do not meet the varietal purity requirements for certification, as given in the following table:

CLASSES	Fields of less than 5 Acres	Fields of more than 5 Acres
Foundation	1320 feet	1320 feet
Registered	660 feet	330 feet
Certified	330 feet	165 feet
Different Generation of the Same Variety	10 feet	10 feet

Field Standards:

Factor	Maximum permitted in each class		
	Foundation	Registered	Certified
Sweet Clover-Plants	None	None	80/acre
Other Varieties *	0.02%	0.05%	0.1%

* Other varieties shall be considered to include off-type plants and plants that can be differentiated from the variety that is being inspected.

IV. Seed Standards.

Factor	Standards for each class		
	Foundation White Tag	Registered Purple Tag	Certified Blue Tag
Pure Seed (Min.)	99%	99%	98%
Other Crops (Max.)	.05%	.1%	.2%
Sweet Clover (Max.)	None	90/lb	180/lb
Inert Matter (Max.)	1.0%	1.0%	2.0%
Weed Seed (Max.)	.1%	.2%	.2%
Noxious Weeds *	None	None	None
Objectionable Weeds ¹ (Max.)	None	None	18/lb
Total Germination (Min.)	80%	80%	80%

* Noxious Weeds - See Prohibited Noxious Seed List.

¹Blue Flowering Lettuce, Buckhorn, Halogeton, Medusa Head Rye, Perennial Ragweed, Povertyweed, Wild Oats.