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TITLE: Import Requirements for Screenings and Grain and Seed for Cleaning	

SUBJECT:

This directive specifies the Canadian import requirements for screenings destined to be pelletized or milled for animal feed and for seed or grain of cereals, pulses, oilseeds and other field crops for cleaning in Canada.

This revision was made to provide a link to the “List of Pests Regulated by Canada” as well as to add pests from this list that could potentially be associated with the commodities covered under this directive.

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Review

This directive will be reviewed every 2 years unless otherwise needed. The next review date for this directive is July 30, 2011. The contact for this directive is Joanne Rousson. For further information or clarification, please contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).

Endorsement

Approved by:

Chief Plant Health Officer

Amendment Record

Amendments of this directive will be dated and distributed as outlined in the distribution below.

Distribution

1. Directive mail list (Regions, PHRA, USDA)
2. Provincial Government, Industry (determined by Author)
3. National Industry Organizations (determined by Author)
4. Internet

Introduction

Screenings are the materials sieved out in the cleaning of cereals, pulses, oilseeds and other field crops (e.g. pasture legumes, buckwheat, etc.). They are defined as separable foreign materials such as weed seeds, other grains, straw, chaff, hulls, etc., removed from grain or seed during the cleaning process. They have economic value as feed for livestock, bedding, compost, and as absorbents for moisture and oil spills.

There has been a growing demand for importing screenings from the United States (U.S.) and an increasing number of requests for importing grain and seed from the U.S. for cleaning in Canada.

The cleaning of grain and seed produces large amounts of screenings. Screenings contain varying proportions of grain (of mixed composition and of whole, broken, unfilled, and immature seed) and plant debris. Screenings and unclean grain and seed also contain significant weed seeds, other pest and contaminants, such as soil.

Screenings and grain and seed for cleaning have the potential to introduce unwanted pests, especially noxious weeds, into Canada. In 1995, the Canadian Grain Commission (CGC) ceased issuing end use certificates for screenings and like materials. Until then, the CGC's end use certificate provided control of the movement, handling and use of imported screenings. Import requirements for screenings and grain and seed imported for cleaning are needed to prevent the introduction and spread within Canada of regulated pests.

- Scope** This directive is intended for the use of Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) inspection staff and the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) to prevent the introduction and spread of regulated pests into Canada. It is also a guide to Canadian import requirements for use by importers, shippers, customs brokers and others involved in the import of screenings and/or grain and seed for cleaning in Canada.
- References** D-99-01: Barley, Oat, Rye, Triticale and Wheat - Phytosanitary Requirements on Import, Transshipped, In-Transit and Domestic Movement.
D-01-06: Canadian Phytosanitary Policy for the Notification of Non-compliance and Emergency Action.
FAO, 2009, *Glossary of Phytosanitary Terms*,: ISPM No. 5, Rome (updated annually)

This directive supercedes D-96-07 (3rd Revision)

Definitions, Abbreviations and Acronyms

Definitions for terms used in the present document can be found in the Plant Health Glossary of Terms at www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/protect/dir/glosterme.shtml.

1.0 General Requirements

1.1 Legislative Authority

Plant Protection Act, S.C. 1990, c.22

Plant Protection Regulations, SOR/95-212

Seeds Act, R.S. 1985, c.S-8

Seeds Regulations C.R.C., c. 1400

Canadian Food Inspection Agency Fees Notice, Canada Gazette, Part I (05/13/2000)

1.2 Fees

The CFIA charges fees in accordance with the *Canadian Food Inspection Agency Fees Notice*. For information regarding fees associated with imported product, please contact the Import Service Centres (ISC) at the following phone numbers: Eastern ISC 1-877-493-0468; Central ISC 1-800-835-4486; Western ISC 1-888-732-6222. Anyone requiring other information regarding fees may contact any local CFIA office or visit the Fees Notice Web Site :

<http://www.inspection.gc.ca/english/reg/cfiaacia/feesfrais/feesfraise.shtml>

1.3 Regulated Pests

Cuscuta spp., dodder

Orobancha spp., broomrape

Striga spp., witchweed

Tilletia indica Mitra, Karnal bunt

Tilletia controversa Kühn, dwarf bunt

Trogoderma granarium Everts, khapra beetle

Urocystis agropyri (Preuss) Shroeter, wheat flag smut or flag smut of wheat

Noxious weeds (numerous genera)

Soil borne quarantine pests

More pests may be added to the list as Pest Risk Analyses are completed.

In addition to the pests listed above, which could be associated with the regulated commodities, consignments must be free from the other pests on the “List of Pests Regulated by Canada” (www.inspection.gc.ca/english/plaveg/protect/listpespare.shtml)

1.4 Regulated Commodities

Non-processed screenings; grain and seed of cereals, pulses, oilseeds and other field crops imported for cleaning in Canada.

1.5 Commodities Exempt

- pellets (small, rounded masses of substance that have been tightly compressed and extruded using steam, heat and pressure, or a combination of these)
- commercially clean shipments of grain accompanied by a Phytosanitary Certificate
- sorghum seed for propagation as per D-96-08: *Sorghum* spp., import and domestic movement requirements

1.6 Regulated Areas

All countries.

2.0 Specific Requirements

2.1 Import Requirements

2.1.1 From the continental U.S.

A Phytosanitary Certificate may be required for some commodities (see commodity specific directives D-99-01 “Barley, Oats, Rye, Triticale and Wheat - Phytosanitary Requirements on Import, Transshipped, In-Transit and Domestic Movement”; D-95-28 “Plant Protection Import and Domestic Movement Requirements for Corn, *Zea mays*”; D-96-08 “Import and Domestic Movement Requirements, *Sorghum* spp.”; D-94-17 “Plant Protection Phytosanitary Import Requirements for Soybean Seed” and D-96-03 “Plant Protection Import Requirements for Hemp, (*Cannabis sativa*).”

A Permit to Import issued under section 43 of the *Plant Protection Regulations* is required for:

- all loose non-processed (unpelletized or unmilled) screenings
- all shipments of grain and seed of cereals, pulses, oilseeds and other field crops imported for cleaning in Canada.

Importers must also complete the form entitled “**Application by Importer of Screenings or Grain/Seed for Cleaning in Canada**” (see Appendix 1), submit it to the local CFIA office for verification of compliance and approval and attach it to the application for a Permit to Import.

The following are conditions of entry for non-processed screenings or grain/ seed for cleaning.

The material must be:

- transported in such a manner as to prevent spills, scattering or unauthorized spread
- routed directly to the facility with equipment for milling or making pellets for animal feed; or to the facility with cleaning equipment
- as soon as possible following arrival, screenings must be converted into pellets or milled for feed use and grain/seed must be cleaned.

All unprocessed and residual material at a processing or cleaning facility must be securely contained and disposed of in a manner acceptable to a CFIA authorized inspector.

Disposal may include burning, where permitted; or burial or other effective method for preventing the spread of pests and weeds. Disposal of screenings produced from the cleaning of imported seed may also include milling and pelletizing.

2.1.2 From all other countries and the U.S. state of Hawaii

Importations from a source other than continental U.S. is prohibited.

2.2 Inspection Requirements

Inspections of shipments may be required. Inspections of pelleting and milling facilities of the importers are required for evaluating Section 43 permit requests. Inspections are also required for verification of compliance (i.e. method of transport, handling, and disposal as stated in section 2.1).

2.3 Non-Compliance

Permits to Import will be suspended or cancelled in cases of non-compliance with any import requirement. Shipments which do not meet requirements will be refused entry, returned to origin, or disposed of at the importer's expense.

Notifications of non-compliance will be issued in accordance with D-01-06: *Canadian Phytosanitary Policy for the Notification of Non-compliance and Emergency Action*.

2.4 Other

The importation of screenings intended for animal feed use is also governed under the *Health of Animals Act and Regulations* and the *Feeds Act and Regulations*. Seed for cleaning is also subject to the *Seeds Act and Regulations*.

Any importer wishing to know more about the requirements under the above Acts and Regulations may contact any local CFIA office.

3.0 Appendices

Appendix 1 - Application by Importer of screenings or grain/seed for cleaning in Canada



Appendix 1

APPLICATION BY IMPORTER OF SCREENINGS OR GRAIN/SEED FOR CLEANING IN CANADA

Processing/Cleaning Facility: _____

Address: _____

Tel. No.: _____ Fax. No.: _____

Commodity to be imported

Grain or Seed for Cleaning Yes No (If Yes, complete part A below)

Screenings Yes No (If Yes, complete part B below)

Source (U.S. State of Origin): _____

Volume (e.g. No of Truckloads): _____

Period of Importation: _____

A. If importing Grain or Seed for Cleaning

Commodity name: _____

Describe transportation, handling and storage conditions of grain or seed prior to cleaning to prevent spills, scattering or unauthorized spread:

Identify method of disposal or processing of screenings derived from cleaning of imported grain or seed (e.g. burning, burial, shipping to a processing plant for pelleting or milling for animal feed)

Describe transportation to disposal site, location of disposal site, handling and storage conditions of screenings derived from cleaning of imported grain or seed :

B. If importing screenings

Commodity name: _____

Describe transportation, handling and storage conditions of screenings to prevent spills, scattering or unauthorized spread:

Identify method to be used by facility to process screenings (e.g. pelleting or milling):

Inspection to the satisfaction of a CFIA inspector is required before a Permit to Import will be issued authorizing movement of imported grain or seed for cleaning or screenings to the cleaning or processing facility.

I hereby certify that I have read and fully understood all the conditions and requirements for receiving and processing imported grain or seed for cleaning in Canada, or imported screenings, chaff and/or hulls for processing in Canada, as set out in the CFIA Directive D-96-07 and will fully comply with all the specified conditions and requirements.

Further, I am and shall be responsible for and shall indemnify and save harmless Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada, including the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Her Officers, Servants, Employees, Successors and Assigns, from and against all manners of actions, causes of action, claims, demands, loss, costs, damages, actions or other proceedings by whomsoever made, sustained, brought or prosecuted in any manner based upon, caused by, arising out of, attributable to or with respect to any failure, inadvertent or otherwise, by act or omission, to fully comply with the said conditions and requirements.

Dated _____ at _____, Province of _____

Applicant's Signature

The following section must be completed by a CFIA Inspector designated under the Plant Protection Act

Approved for:

- A. Receipt of Grain or Seed for Cleaning Yes No
- B. Receipt of Screenings Yes No

CFIA Inspector

Date