

SEEDS (CERTIFICATION AND STANDARDS) REGULATIONS, 2018

EPISODE 13

Rules for certifying self-pollinated sorghum seed

31. Land requirements for growing sorghum seeds

A person shall not grow sorghum seed on land where another variety of sorghum has been grown in the previous year, except where the variety that was grown was of the same variety grown from an equal or higher seed class.

32. Inspection of a sorghum field

Without limiting regulation 161, the certifying authority shall conduct at least three field inspections of the field from which a person produces a breeder sorghum seed, foundation sorghum seed or registered sorghum seed of a self-pollinated sorghum seed at least three times

- a) Before the flowering stage to verify isolation and varietal purity;
- b) At the beginning of booting to verify purity; and
- c) At the mature seed color development stage.

33. Specific field standards for sorghum seeds

A field the purpose of producing sorghum seeds is acceptable to the certifying authority if the field meets the specific field standards set out in paragraph 2 of the Second Schedule.

34. Standards for sorghum seeds

- 1) The certifying authority shall obtain a representative sample of not less than one kilogram of the seed as produced for sale, from a person who grows sorghum seeds.
- 2) The certifying authority shall obtain a representative sample for each lot of seed, if the seed producer has more than one lot of seeds.

35. Laboratory analysis for sorghum seed

The certifying authority shall not certify sorghum seeds unless the laboratory analysis of the sorghum seeds are as set out in paragraph 2 of the Third Schedule.

EPISODE 14

Rules for certifying self-pollinated sorghum seed

36. Land requirements for growing millet seeds

A person shall not grow millet seed on land where another variety of the millet seed has been grown in the previous year, except where the variety that was grown was of the same variety grown from an equal or higher seed class.

37. Inspection of a millet field

Without limiting regulation 161, the certifying authority shall conduct at least three field inspections at a time when the varietal purity of the millet plant can best be determined.

- a) Before the flowering stage to verify isolation and varietal purity;
- b) At the beginning of booting to verify purity; and
- c) At physiological maturity.

38. Restriction of number of varieties

A person who grows more than one variety of millet seed shall ensure that the field on which a variety is grown is isolated from the field on which other varieties are grown, by a distance which is not less than the distance specified in column 3 of paragraph 3 of the Second Schedule.

39. Specific standards for isolation of millet fields

The certifying authority shall accept the use of a field for the purpose of producing millet seed if the field meets the specific field standards set out in paragraph 3 of the Second Schedule.

40. Standards for millet seeds

- 1) The certifying authority shall obtain from a person who grows millet seeds, a representative sample of not less than one hundred and fifty grammes of millet seeds produced for sale.
- 2) The certifying authority shall obtain a representative sample for each lot of millet seed, if the grower has more than one lot of the seed.

41. Laboratory analysis for millet seeds

The certifying authority shall not certify millet seeds unless laboratory analysis of the millet seeds are set out in paragraph 3 of the Third Schedule.