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Labeling Vegetable & Flower Seed for Home Gardeners in Colorado

35-27-105. Every container of seed which is sold, offered or exposed for sale, bartered, or distributed within this state for propagation shall conspicuously bear a legible and plainly written or printed label or tag in English which shall provide all information required by the commissioner. A label shall not bear false or misleading information.

Registration is required to *label and sell* seed in any quantity and to *sell* seed labeled by others in packaged quantities larger than 1 pound or in bulk

LABEL REQUIREMENTS FOR VEGETABLE AND FLOWER SEEDS FOR HOME GARDENERS

KIND:	VARIETY:	LOT NO.:	NET WT.
PACKED FOR OR SELL BY DATE:	LABELER NAME AND ADDRESS:		
For seeds which germinate less than the standard established in part 5 or 8 of the Seed Act Rules and Regulations 8 CCR 1203-6:	PERCENTAGE OF GERMINATION	PERCENTAGE OR HARD OR DORMANT SEED IF PRESENT	THE WORDS, "BELOW STANDARD" IN NOT LESS THAN 8-POINT TYPE

- Kind and variety name for vegetable seeds and kind and variety or a statement of type and performance characteristics for flower seeds.
  - Other crop seed, weed seed, and noxious weed seed if present.
  - "Blend" of varieties or a "Mixture" of kinds, must be identified.
- Net weight of contents
- Year the seed was packed for sale if germination percentage exceeds the standard established by rule. Date may not exceed 13 months.
- Name and address of labeler

OTHER LABEL REQUIREMENTS

'Treated' means the seed has received an application of a substance or has been subjected to a procedure for which a claim is made. The name of the substance applied and the words "DO NOT USE FOR FOOD, FEED OR OIL PURPOSES" must be included in the labeling for the seed. If substance is poisonous, skull and cross bones symbol must also be included per product label.

PROHIBITED ACTS

- It is a civil violation for any person to sell, offer or expose for sale, barter or distribute any seed within this state if such seed contains:
  - More than 2% weed seed by weight
  - Prohibited noxious weed seed
  - More restricted noxious weed seed per pound than the amount declared on the label
  - More restricted noxious weed seed than the amount allowed by standards listed in part 7.2 of the Seed Act Rules and Regulations.

RECORDS REQUIRED

- The initial labeler must keep a representative file sample for each seed lot for two years.
- Sales must be recorded on invoices that include lot number, name, kind and variety , amount of seed sold, name and address of buyer and seller
- Copy of seed label
- The test information from which the labeling information was derived.

Prohibited noxious weed seeds – The following species are not allowed in any seed offered for sale or distributed in the state.

Anoda, spurred (*Anoda cristata)*
Bindweed, field (*Convolvulus arvensis)*
Bouncingbet (*Saponaria officinalis)*
Camlethorn (*Alhagi pseudalhagi)*
Chamomile, scentless (*Anthemis arvensis)*
Cinquefoil, sulfur (*Potentilla recta)*
Clematis, Chinese (*Clematis orientalis)*
Daisy, oxeye (*Chrysanthemum leucanthemum)*
Goatgrass, jointed (*Aegilops cylindrical)*
Halogeton (*Halogeton glomeratus)*
Horsenettle, Carolina (*Solanum carolinense)*
Horsenettle, white (*Solanum elaeagnifolium)*
Houndstongue (*Cynoglossum officinale)*
Johnsongrass (*Sorghum halepense)*
Knapweed, black (*Centaurea nigra)*
Knapweed, diffuse (*Centaurea diffuse)*
Knapweed, Russian (*Acroptilon repens)*
Knapweed, spotted (*Centaurea maculosa)*
Knapweed, squarose (*Centaurea virgate)*
Loosestrife, purple (*Lythrum salicaria and L. virgatum)*
Mallow, Venice (*Hibiscus trionum)*
Medusahead (*Taeniatherum caput-medusae)*
Millet, wild prosso (*Panicum miliaceum* subsp. *ruderale)*
Nutsedge, yellow (*Cyperus esculentus)*
Povertyweed, silverleaf (*Ambrosia tomentosa)*
Povertyweed, woollyleaf (*Ambrosia grayi)*
Rocket, Dame's (*Hesperus matronalis)*
Rue, African (*Peganum harmala)*
Sage, Mediterranean (*Salvia aethiopsis)*
Saltcedar (*Tamarix parviflora, Tamarix ramosissima)*
Skeltonweed, rush (*Chondrilla juncea)*
Sorghum almum (*Sorghum almum)*
Sowthistle, perennial (*Sonchus arvensis)*
Spurge, cypress (*Euphorbia cyparissias)*
Spurge, leafy (*Euphorbia esula)*
Spurge, myrtle (*Euphorbia myrsinites)*
St. Johnswort, common (*Hypericum perforatum)*
Starthistle, yellow (*Centaurea solstitialis)*
Tarweed, coast (*Madia sativa)*
Thistle, Canada (*Cirsium arvense)*
Thistle, musk (*Carduus nutans)*
Thistle, plumeless (*Carduus acanthoides)*
Thistle, Scotch (*Onopordum acanthium, O. tauricum)*
Toadflax, Dalmation (*Linaria dalmatica)*
Toadflax, yellow (*Linaria vulgaris)*
Whitetop (*Cardaria draba)*
Whitetop, hairy (*Cardaria pubescens)*
Whitetop, tall (*Lepidium latifolium)*
Woad, Dyer's (*Isatis tinctoria)*

Restricted noxious weed seeds – The following species are allowed in seed offered for sale or distributed in the state, but only within the limitations per pound of seed listed:

Weed	**Limitation in seeds/lb**	**Weed**	**Limitation in seeds/lb**
Blueweed (*Helianthus ciliaris)*	200	Mustard black (*Brassica nigra)*	30
Burdock, common (*Arctium minus)*	200	Mustard, India *(Brassica juncea*)	30
Butterprint or velvet leaf (*Abutilon minus)*	10	Mustard, wild (*Sinapsis arvensis)*	30
Dock, Curly (*Rumex crispus)*	50	Oat, wild (*Avena fatua)*	10 in barley, oats, rye, triticale 100 in other seeds
Dodder (*Cuscuta spp)*	20	Plantain, buckhorn (*Plantago lanceolata*	100
Foxtail, giant (*Setaria faberi)*	50	Povertyweed, mouse-ear (*Iva axillaris)*	200
Groundcherry, purple (*Quincula lobata)*	50	Puncturevine (*Tribulus terrestris)*	50
Hemlock, poison (*Conium maculatum)*	10	Quackgrass (*Elytrigia repens)*	50
Henbane, black (*Hyoscyamus niger)*	10	Sandbur, longspine (*Cenchrus lonspinus)*	50
Lettuce, blue (*Lactuca tatarica subsp. pulchella)*	200	Thistle, bull (*Cirsium vulagare)*	10