

**CHAPTER 74-03-15
SPECIFIC CROP REQUIREMENTS - FLAX**

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74-03-15-01. Land requirements.

A crop of flax is not eligible for certification if planted on land on which the same kind was grown the year previous unless the previous crop was the same variety and was inspected for certification.

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General Authority: NDCC 4.1-52-10

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74-03-15-02. Field inspection.

All field inspection of flax must be made after the crop is in bloom stage. A field harvested before inspection is not eligible for certification.

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74-03-15-03. Field standards.

1. **Isolation.**

Prior to inspection, the field must be isolated from inseparable crops by a fence row, natural boundary, or by a strip at least five feet [1.52 meters] wide which is either mowed, sprayed, or uncropped.

2. **Specific field standards (flax).**

Factor	Foundation	Maximum Tolerance	
		Registered	Certified
Other varieties *	1:10,000	1:5,000	1:2,000
Prohibited noxious weeds **	none	none	none

*Other varieties include plants that can be differentiated from the variety being inspected, but shall not include variants which are characteristic of the variety.

**The tolerance for prohibited or objectionable weeds, or both, in the field will be determined by the inspector.

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74-03-15-04. Seed standards.

Standards for Each Class

Factor	Foundation	Registered	Certified
Pure seed (minimum)	99.0 percent	99.0 percent	98.5 percent
Total weed seeds (maximum)	15 per pound	15 per pound	30 per pound
Other varieties (maximum) *			
Brown	2 per pound	8 per pound	16 per pound
Yellow	4 per pound	16 per pound	32 per pound
Other crop seeds (maximum)	2 per pound	5 per pound	10 per pound
Inert matter (maximum) **	1.0 percent	1.0 percent	1.5 percent
Prohibited noxious weed seeds ***	none	none	none
Objectionable weed seeds (maximum) +	1 per 2 pounds	1 per 2 pounds	3 per pound
Germination (minimum)	85.0 percent	85.0 percent	85.0 percent

*Other varieties may not include variants characteristic of the variety.

**Foreign matter, other than broken seed, may not exceed 0.2 percent.

***Including seeds of quackgrass.

+Objectionable weed seeds include dodder species, wild oats, hedge bindweed (wild morning glory), giant ragweed (kinghead), small seeded falseflax, and American dragonhead.

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