

SCHEDULE 8

Regulation 26(4), (5), (6)(a), (7)(a), (8)(a),
(9)(a), (10)(a), (11)(a)(ii) and (13)(a) and
(b)

LABELLING

PART I

Particulars to be marked or displayed on the sale of unpackaged seed (loose sales)

Particulars to be marked or displayed on the sale of unpackaged seed other than a mixture of seeds

1. The following particulars shall be given—
 - (a) “complies with legal standards”;
 - (b) the species;
 - (c) the variety;
 - (d) in the case of a variety which is a hybrid, the word “hybrid”; and
 - (e) in the case of C1 and C2 seed of oats officially classified as being of a naked oat type, the words “minimum germination capacity 75%”.

Particulars to be marked or displayed on the sale of an unpackaged mixture of seeds

2. The following particulars shall be given—
 - (a) “complies with legal standards”; and
 - (b) the proprietary name of the mixture or the species and variety, and the proportion by weight, of the components in the mixture.

PART II

Labelling of packages of breeder’s seed

3. The package shall be labelled, not later than the time of sealing, on the outside with a supplier’s label containing the following particulars—
 - (a) the name and address of the supplier responsible for affixing the labels or his registered number;
 - (b) the reference number of the lot;
 - (c) the species;
 - (d) the variety;
 - (e) the words “breeder’s seed”; and
 - (f) the declared net or gross weight or declared number of seeds.
4. The label referred to in paragraph 3 shall be coloured buff.

PART III

Labelling of packages of officially certified pre-basic seed

Official label for a package of officially certified pre-basic seed

5. The package shall be labelled, not later than the time of sealing, on the outside with an official label which has not previously been used containing the following particulars—
 - (a) the name of the certification authority and member State or their commonly used initials;
 - (b) the reference number of the lot;
 - (c) the month and year of sealing or the month and year of the last official sampling for the purposes of certification, expressed respectively as follows—
 - (i) by the word “Sealed” followed by the month and year of sealing, or
 - (ii) by the word “Sampled” followed by the month and year of last official sampling for the purposes of certification;
 - (d) the species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in abridged form and without the author’s name in Roman characters;
 - (e) the variety, indicated at least in Roman characters;
 - (f) the description “pre-basic seed”;
 - (g) the number of generations by which the seed precedes CS seed or C1 seed;
 - (h) the country of production;
 - (i) the declared net or gross weight or declared number of seeds; and
 - (j) where weight is indicated and granulated pesticides, pelleting substances or other solid additives are used, the nature of the additive and also the approximate ratio between the weight of pure seeds and the total weight.
6. The label referred to in paragraph 5 shall be coloured white with a diagonal violet line.
7. The minimum size of the label referred to in paragraph 5 shall be 110 mm x 67 mm.
8. The label referred to in paragraph 5—
 - (a) shall be—
 - (i) an adhesive label, or
 - (ii) a label secured to the package by a sealing device approved by the Secretary of State, the Scottish Ministers, the National Assembly for Wales or the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, and
 - (b) shall be fixed to the package by—
 - (i) an authorised officer or any person being supervised by such a person, or
 - (ii) a licensed seed sampler or any person being supervised by such a person.

PART IV

Labelling of packages of officially certified basic, CS, C1 and C2 seed

Official label for a package of officially certified basic, CS, C1 or C2 seed

9. The package shall be labelled, not later than the time of sealing, on the outside with an official label which has not previously been used containing the following particulars—

- (a) the words “EC rules and standards”;
- (b) the name of the certifying authority and member State or their commonly used initials;
- (c) the reference number of the lot;
- (d) the month and year of sealing or the month and year of the last official sampling for the purposes of certification, expressed respectively as follows—
 - (i) by the word “Sealed” followed by the month and year of sealing, or
 - (ii) by the word “Sampled” followed by the month and year of last official sampling for the purposes of certification;
- (e) the species, indicated at least under its botanical name, which may be given in abridged form and without the author’s name in Roman characters;
- (f) the variety, indicated at least in Roman characters;
- (g) in the case of a variety which is a hybrid or an inbred line—
 - (i) for basic seed where the hybrid or inbred line to which the seed belongs has been officially accepted on a National List or the Common Catalogue, the name under which it has been officially accepted, with or without a reference to the final variety, accompanied, in the case of a hybrid or inbred line which is intended solely as a component for a final variety, by the word “component”;
 - (ii) for basic seed in other cases, the name of the component to which the basic seed belongs, which may be given in code form, accompanied by a reference to the final variety, with or without reference to its function (male or female) and accompanied by the word “component”; and
 - (iii) for CS seed, the name of the variety to which the seed belongs, accompanied by the word “hybrid”;
- (h) the category;
- (i) the country of production;
- (j) the declared net or gross weight or declared number of seeds;
- (k) where weight is indicated and granulated pesticides, pelleting substances or other solid additives are used, the nature of the additive and also the approximate ratio between the weight of pure seeds and the total weight;
- (l) in the case of C1 and C2 seed of oats officially classified as being of a naked oat type, the words “minimum germination capacity 75%”.

10. Where at least germination has been retested, the words “retested” followed by the month and year of retesting and the authority responsible for such retesting may be indicated on the official label referred to in paragraph 9 or on an official sticker attached to the official label.

11. The minimum size of the label referred to in paragraph 9 shall be 110 mm x 67 mm.

12. The label referred to in paragraph 9 shall be coloured—

- (a) white for basic seed;

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- (b) blue for CS and C1 seed; and
- (c) red for C2 seed.

13. The label referred to in paragraph 9—

- (a) shall be—
 - (i) an adhesive label, or
 - (ii) a label secured to the package by a sealing device approved by the Secretary of State, the Scottish Ministers, the National Assembly for Wales or the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, and
- (b) shall be fixed to the package by—
 - (i) an authorised officer or any person being supervised by such a person, or
 - (ii) a licensed seed sampler or any person being supervised by such a person.

Supplier's label for a small package of officially certified pre-basic, basic, CS, C1 or C2 seed

14. The package shall be labelled not later than the time of sealing—

- (a) on the outside;
- (b) subject to paragraph 15, with a supplier's label containing the following particulars—
 - (i) "EC rules and standards";
 - (ii) the name and address of the supplier responsible for marking or his registration number;
 - (iii) the reference number of the lot;
 - (iv) the species, indicated at least in Roman characters;
 - (v) the variety, indicated at least in Roman characters;
 - (vi) the category;
 - (vii) declared net weight or declared number of seeds;
 - (viii) for hybrid varieties of maize, the word "hybrid"; and
 - (ix) in the case of C1 and C2 seed of oats officially classified as being of a naked oat type, the words "minimum germination capacity 75%".

15. The label referred to in paragraph 14(b) shall not be required if the information specified in paragraph 14(b)(i) to (ix) is printed indelibly on the outside of the package.

16. The label referred to in paragraph 14(b) shall be coloured—

- (a) white with a diagonal violet line for pre-basic seed;
- (b) white for basic seed;
- (c) blue for CS or C1 seed; and
- (d) red for C2 seed.

PART V

Labelling of packages of mixtures of seed

Official label for a package of a mixture of seeds

17. The package shall be labelled, not later than the time of sealing, on the outside with an official label which has not previously been used containing the following particulars—

- (a) the words “Mixture of” followed by the species and varieties;
- (b) the name of the authority responsible for sealing the package and the member State or their commonly used initials;
- (c) the reference number of the lot;
- (d) the word “sealed” followed by the month and year of sealing;
- (e) the species, variety, category, country of production and proportion by weight of each of the components, which, in the case of the name of the species and of the varieties, shall be indicated at least in Roman characters;
- (f) the declared net or gross weight or declared number of seeds; and
- (g) where weight is indicated and granulated pesticides, pelleting substances or other solid additives are used, the nature of the additive and also the approximate ratio between the weight of the pure seeds and the total weight.

18. Where at least germination of all the components of a mixture have been retested, the words “retested” followed by the month and year of retesting and the service responsible for such retesting may be indicated on the official label referred to in paragraph 17 or on an official sticker attached to the official label.

19. The minimum size of the label referred to in paragraph 17 shall be 110 mm x 67 mm.

20. The label referred to in paragraph 17 shall be coloured green.

21. The label referred to in paragraph 17—

- (a) shall be—
 - (i) an adhesive label, or
 - (ii) a label secured to the package by a sealing device approved by the Secretary of State, the Scottish Ministers, the National Assembly for Wales or the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, and
- (b) shall be fixed to the package by—
 - (i) an authorised officer or any person being supervised by such a person, or
 - (ii) a licensed seed sampler or any person being supervised by such a person.

Supplier’s label for a small package of a mixture of seeds

22. The package shall be labelled not later than the time of sealing—

- (a) on the outside;
- (b) subject to paragraph 23, with a supplier’s label containing the following particulars—
 - (i) the words “Mixture of” followed by the species and varieties;
 - (ii) the name and address of the supplier responsible for marking or his registration number or identification mark;
 - (iii) the reference number of the seed lot;

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- (iv) the species and varieties indicated at least in Roman characters or the proprietary name of the mixture; and
- (v) declared net weight or declared number of seeds.

23. The label referred to in paragraph 22(b) shall not be required if the information specified in paragraph 22(b)(i) to (v) is printed indelibly on the outside of the package.

24. The label referred to in paragraph 22(b) shall be coloured green.

PART VI

Printing of specified matters on packages (whole bag labelling)

Seed which has not been imported

25. The printing or stamping of the packages shall be under the supervision of the Secretary of State.

26. Each package shall have printed or stamped on it, or be perforated with, an individual serial number allocated by the Secretary of State, which shall appear in the same panel as the particulars of the matters specified in paragraph 9.

27. Arrangements shall be made with the printers for returns to be made to the Secretary of State of the number of packages printed or stamped pursuant to regulation 26(13) and of the individual serial numbers of such packages.

28. The reference number of the seed lot and the month and year in which the package was officially sealed shall be printed or stamped under the supervision of an authorised officer or a licensed seed sampler at the time of sampling for official examination.

29. There shall be kept such records of seed packaged and marketed pursuant to regulation 26(13) as may be required by the Secretary of State.

30. Each package of seed marketed in accordance with regulation 26(13) shall be capable of having affixed to it, in a manner approved by the Secretary of State, a label containing a statement pursuant to regulation 17.

Seed imported from another Member State

31. Such requirements of the member State from which the seed has been imported as correspond to the requirements specified in this Part for seed which has not been imported shall, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, have been satisfied.