

## PEA SEED RULES Ref SR 025

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The following Rules are to be applied in conjunction with the "General Rules" for the certification of seed for sowing that contain the general procedures.

### OBJECTIVE

To provide for the certification of Pea Seed (*Pisum sp*) that is true to type and substantially free from the diseases black spot and bacterial blight .

### PADDOCK HISTORY

Land will not be eligible for registration for the production of basic or certified pea seed if any part of the area nominated has grown a pea crop other than a basic or certified crop of the same cultivar in the previous two (2) years or 12 months for any other pulse crop.

### SEED SOURCE

Other than selecting the correct seed source, seed for sowing must be substantially free from the diseases black spot and bacterial blight. It is recommended that the seed used be tested for the presence of the diseases prior to planting.

### ISOLATION

Areas must be separated by at least five (5) metres from other pea cultivars.

### INSPECTIONS

The area must be inspected during the growth of the crop to check for off types and the presence of diseases.

### CROP REJECTION

Seed may be rejected for the purposes of certification if the area fails to comply with the following requirements at any inspection:-

- The area has significant levels of the diseases black spot or bacterial blight.
- **basic seed**  
max off-types - 1 plant in 30 m<sup>2</sup>
- **certified seed**  
max off-types - 1 plant in 10 m<sup>2</sup>

### SEED QUALITY STANDARDS

Seed must meet the standards as listed hereunder to be eligible for labelling as basic or certified seed.

Germination Minimum	70 %
Pure Seed Minimum	98 %
Other Seed Maximum	0.2 %