

## REQUEST FOR SEED SAMPLE TESTS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Seed		Type of Test <i>check all that are needed</i>		Treated?	
	Wheat		Purity %		Yes
	Rye		Germination %		No
	Clover		Ohio Noxious Weed Exam		
	Oats		Inert %		
	Soybean		Weed Seed %		
	Triticale		Other Crop Seed %		
	Barley		Hard %		
	Spelt		Cold Test %		
	Mix		Seed Count (Per lbs.)		
	Other				

To mail in your samples, please do the following:

1. Completely fill a quart-size zip-lock or other sealable plastic bag with the seed to be tested. Most tests require a minimum of 600 grams (1.3 lbs) of seed.
2. Double bag the seed then tape the bags shut.
3. Print this seed sample form and indicate which test(s) you are requesting.
4. Mail the samples and form to our office at:

Grain, Feed, & Seed Section  
Ohio Department of Agriculture  
8995 East Main St, Bldg 23  
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

Testing requires 7-10 days of germination; please allow up to 3 weeks to receive your test results.

# Cover Crop Seed Testing

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## Option 1

Purchase seed from a firm that holds a current Ohio Seed Labelers Permit



[bit.ly/seed-labeler-search](https://bit.ly/seed-labeler-search)



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## Option 2

Bin run seed can be submitted to ODA with a completed seed submission form



[bit.ly/seed-submission-form](https://bit.ly/seed-submission-form)



## Pricing

ODA has entered into an agreement with a third-party facility that is responsible for cover crop seed testing. Samples can be submitted to the Grain, Feed & Seed Section using the seed submission form. Starting January 1st, 2025, seed testing will be available at the rates below. Payment will be due upon sample submission. **Please allow three weeks for sample results.**



**Cereals**  
**\$35**

(Barley, Oats, Rye, Wheat, Triticale, Spelt)



**Grasses**  
**\$54**

(Annual Rye, Sorghum, Etc.)



**Legumes**  
**\$48**

(Alfalfa, Clover, Soybean, Hairy Vetch, Peas)

*\*Cover Crop Seed Tests include purity, germination, & Ohio noxious weed seeds. \*Check with USDA Cover Crop Program for requirements.*

## Important Information

- USDA cover crop conservation programs may require testing of seed prior to its use in a cover crop program. ODA has no requirement for the testing of this seed.
- Any seed test results that contain Ohio Prohibited Noxious Weed Seeds will need to be cleaned and retested prior to planting or discarded.
- Ohio Restricted Noxious Weed Seeds are required to be stated on the seed label when being distributed for sale.

"Prohibited noxious weeds" are weeds that reproduce by seed, spread by roots, underground stems, or other reproductive parts, and, when established, are highly destructive and difficult to control. These are different from "restricted noxious weeds", which are weeds that are objectionable in fields, lawns, or gardens, but that can be controlled by good cultural practices. Ohio law prohibits the sale of any agricultural, flower, or vegetable seed containing prohibited noxious-weed seeds. The sale of agricultural seed containing more than 0.25 percent by weight of restricted noxious-weed seeds or bulblets, or more than 2.5 percent of all weed seeds, is also prohibited.

For the current list of prohibited and restricted weed seeds along with other seed regulations please visit:

[agri.ohio.gov/divisions/plant-health/grain-warehouse-feed-and-seed/seed](https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/plant-health/grain-warehouse-feed-and-seed/seed)