



## **TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

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# **Domestic Seed Import Requirements**

## **Compliance with Federal THC Threshold**

All participants must use only seed, propagules, or plants that are demonstrated to conform to the 0.3% Δ9-THC threshold. Documentation of measured THC levels shall be submitted to TDA for review prior to the participant taking possession of any seed, propagules, or plants. Documentation shall also include the name, address, email, and telephone number of both the lab and the seed source. Seed, propagules, or plants which are not reviewed and approved by TDA are prohibited from the Industrial Hemp Research Pilot Program and are not eligible for use in a pilot project. Any participants found using seed, propagules, or plants not reviewed and approved by TDA may be subject to license revocation and termination of the project in addition to any civil or criminal liabilities that may exist.

## **Intellectual Property**

Participants are prohibited from growing for replication any intellectual property or genetic lines for which they do not have permission from the property owner. A copy of any license or permission from the property owner shall be provided to the TDA. Any participants found violating this requirement may be subject to license revocation and termination of the project in addition to potential civil and criminal liability.

## **Domestic Seed and/or Plant Acquisition (from within the United States)**

All seed and/or plants sourced from within the United States, but outside of Tennessee, must be pre-approved by TDA. Participants shall submit the industrial hemp *Domestic Seed / Propagule Acquisition Request* form to TDA **at least three (3) weeks in advance of any proposed transfer of materials**. The seed and/or propagule source must be a participant in a "duly recognized § 7606 Program," i.e., a university or an individual or company permitted, licensed, or contracted by another industrial hemp research pilot program being conducted under the authority of the Farm Bill, 7 U.S.C. § 5940. It is the TDA program participant's responsibility to ensure that the transfer or sale of any industrial hemp material from another § 7606 program complies with all applicable laws and policies in the other state. TDA has no authority to authorize or regulate industrial hemp materials physically located outside Tennessee. **Documentation needed for approval:** this form, copy of TN growers license, growing season test results indicating the variety and the name, address, email, and telephone number of both the lab and the seed source, and a copy of the exporters industrial hemp license.

## **Shipment Address**

All shipments of seed and/or propagules entering the program from another state must be shipped directly to the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, Industrial Hemp Program, 436 Hogan Rd, Nashville, TN 37220 for inventory and distribution to approved program participants.

**Participants are responsible for all risks and costs including shipping, etc. TDA will not be responsible for maintaining any live plant material or seed.**

## Instructions

Complete the following pages and email it to industrial.hemp@tn.gov

**Otherwise, you may mail the completed form to:**

Katy Kilbourne / Industrial Hemp Pilot Program – Acquisition Request

Tennessee Department of Agriculture, PO BOX 40627, Nashville, TN 37204.

- This form and all required attachments are due three **(3) weeks** (NO EXCEPTIONS) in advance of intended seed/propagule purchases from within the United States, but outside of the TDA Industrial Hemp Research Pilot Program.
- If you wish to purchase seeds from different sources, you must submit a separate form for each source.

### Industrial Hemp Research Pilot Program 2017/2018 Domestic Seed Acquisition Request Form

Name/Firm:		License #:
Email:	Phone:	Alt Phone:

**1) Attach independent third party test results for each variety/cultivar documenting the delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentration of 0.30% or less by GC with Mass Spec or total THC by HPLC.**

**2) For purchases from other states within the United States, attach at a minimum the following documents to this request. Requests without all of the following will not be considered.**

**NOTE: Participants are responsible for all seed costs including shipping, brokerage, import, inspection, etc.**

**i. Documentation verifying source as a legal hemp operation in the state of origin**

**ii. Permission to Replicate (if materials will be used to replicate or you plan to save seed)**

**NOTE: Other requirements may be necessary at TDA's direction.**

**3) Complete the seed and/or plant variety information in the table below.**

Name of exporter:
Address of exporter:
Exporter Phone:
Exporter Email:

4) Complete the seed variety information in the table below.

Seed Source, Company Name and State	Seed Variety Requested	Form of Material	Quantity (weight in lbs or number of plants)	Number of Packages
Ex. Hemp Express	Ex. Hemp123	Seed	200lbs	4 bags
Ex. Hemptaroo Inc.	Ex. Hoppy Hemp	Rooted cuttings	25 plants	2 boxes

5) If the requested seed import shipment will be distributed to multiple growers, you must complete the following tables.

Name/Firm:	License #:
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Intended hemp seed recipients (i.e., TDA approved program growers)† for the attached seed import permit request.

	Name/Firm	License #	Seed Quantity	Hemp Variety
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†Copy this page and attach additional sheets as necessary.

If additional sheets attached, indicate total number of sheets attached:

By signing this form I hereby agree that I am a licensed industrial hemp grower with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture and that all information is accurate.

Sign \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_