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International 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% 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 the seed source. Seed, propagules, or plants which are not reviewed are prohibited and would not be 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 a license or written permission from the property owner. A copy of any license or agreement 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.

International Seed Acquisition

All seed from international sources must be imported by TDA. Participants shall submit the industrial hemp *International Seed Acquisition Request* form to TDA no later than April 1st to allow for sufficient time for processing of import permits and transit. TDA will request permits for each international seed source and supply the import permit to the participant for use in scheduling the shipment.

Details of Import Process

- All shipments must:
 1. Be accompanied by the Original Copy 1 of the DEA Import Permit.
 2. Be accompanied by a valid Phytosanitary Certificate.
 3. Be sent to: The Tennessee Department of Agriculture, 436 Hogan Rd, Nashville, TN 37220
 4. Identify The Kentucky Department of Agriculture as the importer and buyer. Confusion in the paperwork could cause significant delays in the import process.
- Invoices are to be sent directly to the participants by the seed suppliers and participants are directly responsible for the seed payment and all costs associated with shipping and customs (brokerage fees, inspections, etc.).
- Any applicable Materials Transfer Agreements required by the seed supplier will be signed by the buyer (participant, not TDA).
- TDA must be notified of the shipping details (company and importer broker name and contact information) as soon as it is known. That information should be emailed to industrial.hemp@tn.gov

Instructions

Complete pages 2-3 and email the completed pages to industrial.hemp@tn.gov

Industrial Hemp Research Pilot Program 2017 International Seed Acquisition Request Form

If you wish to import seeds from different exporters, you will need to submit a separate form for each exporter.

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

1) Attach documentation regarding the ability for this variety/cultivar to comply with the 0.3% delta-9 tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentration limit.

2) Complete the seed source information in the table below.

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

Name of foreign exporter:
Address of foreign exporter:
Foreign port of exportation:
Port of Entry (US Customs port where the shipment will clear):
Latest date shipment will leave foreign port:
Name of shipping company, if known:
Exporter Phone:
Exporter Email:

3) Indicate Mode of Transport: Air Truck and Sea Car Mail Truck
Sea Train Train & Sea Other

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

Seed Variety Requested	Quantity of Packages	Type of Package	Weight of each Package (kg)	Total Weight (kg)
Ex. Hemp123	5	Bags	10kg	50kg

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 _____