

ANNEX IV

LABEL

A. Official label (basic seed and certified seed, excluding small packages)

- I. Required information
 1. 'EC rules and standards'.
 2. Certification authority and Member State or their initials.
 - 2a. [^{F1}Officially assigned serial number.]
 3. Month and year of sealing expressed thus: 'sealed ... (month and year)', or month and year of the last official sampling for the purposes of certification expressed thus: 'sampled ... (month and year)'.
 4. Reference number of lot.
 5. Species indicated at least in roman characters, under its botanical name, which may be given in abridged form and without the authors' names, or its common name, or both.
 6. Variety, indicated at least in roman characters.
 7. Category.
 8. Country of production.
 9. Declared net or gross weight or declared number of seeds.
 10. 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 clusters or pure seeds and total weight.
 11. In the case of varieties which are hybrids or inbred lines:
 - for basic seed where the hybrid or inbred line to which the seed belongs has been officially accepted under this Directive:

the name of this component, under which it has been officially accepted, with or without reference to the final variety, accompanied, in the case of hybrids or inbred lines which are intended solely as components for final varieties, by the word 'component',
 - 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',
 - for certified seed:

the name of the variety to which the seed belongs, accompanied by the word 'hybrid'.
 12. Where at least germination has been re-tested, the words 'retested ...'; (month and year) may be indicated.

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Textual Amendments

F1 Inserted by [Commission Implementing Directive \(EU\) 2016/317 of 3 March 2016 amending Council Directives 66/401/EEC, 66/402/EEC, 2002/54/EC, 2002/55/EC, 2002/56/EC and 2002/57/EC as regards the official label of seed packages \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

II. Minimum dimensions

110 × 67 mm

B. Supplier's label or inscription on the packages (standard seed and small packages of the category 'certified seed')

I. Required information

1. 'EC rules and standards'.
2. Name and address of the person responsible for affixing the labels or his identification mark.
3. Marketing year of the sealing or of the last examination of germination. The end of the marketing year may be indicated.
4. Species, indicated at least in roman characters.
5. Variety, indicated at least in roman characters.
6. Category: in the case of small packages, certified seed may be marked with the letter 'C' or 'Z' and standard seed with the letters 'ST'.
7. Reference number given by the person responsible for affixing the labels — in the case of standard seed.
8. Reference number enabling the certified lot to be identified — in the case of certified seed.
9. Declared net or gross weight or declared number of seeds, except for small packages of up to 500 grams.
10. 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 clusters of pure seeds and the total weight.

II. Minimum dimensions of the label (excluding small packages)

110 × 67 mm.