

## Prohibited and Restricted Weed Seeds – Minnesota

**Prohibited and Restricted Seeds:** Per Minnesota Seed Law 21.85, Subd. 15. “The commissioner shall determine species that are considered prohibited weed seeds and restricted noxious weeds seeds and the allowable rate of occurrence of restricted noxious weed seeds.”

### PROHIBITED WEED SEEDS

The following are weed seeds which are prohibited from being present in agricultural, vegetable, flower, tree, and shrub seeds sold in Minnesota.

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| A. Bull thistle ( <i>Cirsium vulgare L.</i> )           | G. Hemp ( <i>Cannabis sativa L.</i> )                     |
| B. Canada thistle ( <i>Cirsium arvense Scop.</i> )      | H. Leafy spurge ( <i>Euphorbia esula L.</i> )             |
| C. Musk thistle ( <i>Carduus nutans L.</i> )            | I. Perennial peppergrass ( <i>Lepidium draba L.</i> )     |
| D. Perennial sow thistle ( <i>Sonchus arvensis L.</i> ) | J. Russian knapweed ( <i>Centaurea repens L.</i> )        |
| E. Plumeless thistle ( <i>Carduus acanthoides L.</i> )  | K. Palmer amaranth ( <i>Amaranthus palmeri S. Wats.</i> ) |
| F. Field bindweed ( <i>Convolvulus arvensis L.</i> )    |   |

### RESTRICTED WEED SEEDS

“Restricted weed seeds” are those weed seeds which, if present in agricultural, vegetable, flower, tree, and shrub seed, must be named on the label together with the number per ounce or pound of seed specified and which may not exceed the legal limit. They are seeds of weeds which are objectionable in fields, lawns, and gardens of this state, and which can be controlled by good agricultural practices and use of herbicides. Restricted weed seeds are seeds of the plants listed below.

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| A. Buckhorn plantain ( <i>Plantago lanceolata L.</i> ) | F. Wild mustard ( <i>Brassica arvensis L.</i> )               |
| B. Dodder ( <i>Cuscuta spp.</i> )                      | G. Quack grass ( <i>Agropyron repens L.</i> )                 |
| C. Frenchweed ( <i>Thlaspi arvense L.</i> )            | H. Wild radish ( <i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i> )               |
| D. Hoary alyssum ( <i>Berteroa incana D.C.</i> )       | I. Giant foxtail ( <i>Seteria faberii</i> )                   |
| E. Horse nettle ( <i>Solanum carolinense L.</i> )      | J. Eastern black nightshade ( <i>Solanum ptycanthum Dun</i> ) |

### Unlawful Acts: Per Minnesota Seed Law 21.86, Subd. 1. Prohibitions.

A person may not advertise or sell any agricultural, vegetable, flower, wildflower, tree, or shrub seed if:

- It contains prohibited noxious weed seeds;
- It consists of or contains restricted noxious weed seeds in excess of 25 seeds per pound or in excess of the number declared on the label attached to the container of the seed or associated with the seed;
- It contains more than one percent by weight of all weed seeds

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