

Gravel pit minimum standards

Gravel/borrow area shall be free of those noxious weeds or undesirable plant species identified in the following list and those weeds declared noxious within the state of origin.

1. Gravel/borrow material shall be inspected in the State/Province of origin by proper officials or authority.
2. Gravel/borrow material shall also be inspected in the area of origin (area shall include, but not limited to, surrounding ditches, top soil piles, gravel/sand piles, fence rows, roads, easement, rights-of-way, working areas, storage areas, and a buffer zone surrounding the area.)
3. Gravel/borrow material shall be inspected prior to movement by the proper officials or authority.
4. Gravel/borrow area which contains any noxious weeds, or undesirable plant species, as identified in the following list, may be certified if the following requirements are met:
 - a. Area upon which the gravel/borrow material was mined was treated to prevent seed formation or seed ripening to the degree that there is no danger of dissemination of the seed, or any injurious portion thereof from such noxious weeds, or undesirable plant species, or the propagating parts of the plant are not capable of producing a new plant.
 - b. Noxious weed(s) or undesirable plant species was treated not later than rosette to bud stage, or boot stage for grass species.
 - c. Treatment method can include but is not limited to: 1) burning, 2) mowing, cutting or rouging, 3) mechanical methods, or 4) chemicals.
5. An inspection certificate shall document that the above requirements have been met based upon a reasonable and prudent visual inspection.

Minimum Guidelines for gravel/borrow material inspections:

The inspector will follow the following inspection procedures:

1. The entire border shall be walked or driven.
2. All storage areas, gravel/sand piles shall also be inspected and meet the standards.

3. Around all equipment, crushers, and working areas must be inspected to meet the standards.
4. Areas shall be inspected regularly at least twice a year in the growing season.
5. An inspector may not inspect gravel/borrow material of which said inspector has ownership or financial interest.

North American Weed Free Forage Certification Standards List

Absinth wormwood	<i>Artemisia absinthium</i>
Bermudagrass	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>
Buffalobur	<i>Solanum rostratum</i>
Canada thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>
Common burdock	<i>Arctium minus</i>
Common crupina	<i>Crupina vulgaris</i>
Common tansy	<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>
Dalmatian toadflax	<i>Linaria dalmatica</i>
Diffuse knapweed	<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>
Dyers woad	<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>
Field bindweed	<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>
Hemp (marijuana)	<i>Cannabis sativa</i>
Henbane, Black	<i>Hyoscyamus niger</i>
Hoary cress, (Whitetop)	<i>Cardaria spp)</i>
Horsenettle	<i>Solanum carolinense</i>
Houndstongue	<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>
Johnsongrass	<i>Sorghum halepense</i>
Jointed goatgrass	<i>Aegilops cylindrica</i>
Leafy spurge	<i>Euphorbia esula</i>
Matgrass	<i>Nardus stricta</i>
Meadow knapweed	<i>Centaurea pratensis</i>
Medusahead	<i>Taeniatherum caput-medusae</i>
Milium	<i>Milium vernale</i>
Musk thistle	<i>Carduus nutans</i>
Orange hawkweed	<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>
Oxeye daisy	<i>Chrysanthemum leucanthemum</i>
Perennial pepperweed	<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>
Perennial sorghum	<i>Sorghum almum</i>
Perennial sowthistle	<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>
Plumeless thistle	<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>
Poison hemlock	<i>Conium maculatum</i>
Puncturevine	<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>
Purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>
Quackgrass	<i>Agropyron repens</i>

Rush skeletonweed
Russian knapweed
Scentless chamomile
Scotch broom
Scotch thistle
Sericea Lespedeza
Silverleaf nightshade
Skeletonleaf bursage
Spotted knapweed
Squarrose knapweed
St. Johnswort
Sulfur cinquefoil
Syrian beancaper
Tansy ragwort
Toothed spurge
Wild oats
Wild proso millet
Yellow hawkweed
Yellow starthistle
Yellow toadflax

Chondrilla juncea
Centaurea repens
Matricaria perforata or *M. milaceum*
Cytisus scoparius
Onopordum acanthium
Lespedeza cuneata
Solanum elaeagnifolium
Ambrosia tomentosa
Centaurea maculosa
Centaurea virgata
Hypericum perforatum
Potentilla recta
Zygophyllum fabago
Senecio jacobaea
Euphorbia dentata
Avena fatua
Panicum miliaceum
Hieracium pratense
Centaurea solstitialis
Linaria vulgaris