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§ 201.22 Date of test.

(a) The label shall show the month and year in which the germination test was completed. No more than 5 calendar months shall have elapsed between the last day of the month in which the germination test was completed and the date of transportation or delivery for transportation in interstate commerce, except for seed in hermetically sealed containers as provided in § 201.36c in which case no more than 24 calendar months shall have elapsed between the last day of the month in which the germination test was completed prior to packaging and the date of transportation or delivery for transportation in interstate commerce.

(b) In the case of a seed mixture, it is only necessary to state the calendar month and year of such test for the kind or variety or type of agricultural seed contained in such mixture which has the oldest calendar month and year.

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§ 201.23 Name of shipper or consignee.

The full name and address of either the shipper or consignee shall appear upon the label. If the name and address of the shipper are not shown upon the label, a code designation identifying the shipper shall be shown.

[5 FR 31, Jan. 4, 1940]

§ 201.24 Code designation.

The code designation used in lieu of the full name and address of the person who transports or delivers seed for transportation in interstate commerce shall be approved by the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service or such other person as may be designated by him for the purpose. When used, the code designation shall appear on the label in a clear and legible manner.


§ 201.24a Inoculated seed.

Seed claimed to be inoculated shall be labeled to show the month and year beyond which the inoculant on the seed is no longer claimed to be effective by a statement such as, “Inoculant not claimed to be effective after____ (Month and year).”

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§ 201.25 Contents of the label.

Vegetable seed in packets and in larger containers shall be labeled with the required information in any form that is clearly legible. Any tag used shall be securely attached to the container. The label may contain information in addition to that required by the act, provided such information is not misleading.

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§ 201.26 Kind, variety, and hybrid.

The label shall bear the name of each kind and variety present as determined in accordance with §201.34. The name shall not have affixed thereto words or terms that create a misleading impression as to the history or characteristics of kind or variety. If two or more kinds or varieties are present, the percentage of each shall be shown. If any one kind or variety named on the label is “hybrid” seed, it shall be so designated on the label. If two or more kinds or varieties are named on the label, each that is hybrid shall be shown as “hybrid” on the label. Any kind or variety that is less than 95 percent but more than 75 percent hybrid seed as a result of incompletely controlled pollination in a cross shall be labeled to show (a) the percentage that is hybrid seed or (b) a statement such as “Contains from 75 percent to 95 percent hybrid seed.” No one kind or variety of seed shall be labeled as hybrid if it contains less than 75 percent hybrid seed.


§ 201.27 Name of shipper or consignee.

The full name and address of either the shipper, or consignee, shall appear upon the label except that if the name and address of the shipper are not shown, a code designation identifying the shipper shall be shown.

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§ 201.28 Code designation.

The code designation used in lieu of the full name and address of the person who transports or delivers seed for transportation in interstate commerce