



Printing information and terms of use for posters of grade determination tables

Printing information

- Poster size: 61 x 91 cm (24 x 36 in)
- Maintain aspect ratio when scaling
- Heavy stock is recommended
- Consider lamination
- Source: [Official Grain Grading Guide](#) on grainscanada.gc.ca

Terms of use for posters of grade determination tables

- A new grade determination table should be printed at the beginning of the crop year
- The previous crop year's table should be discarded
- A grade determination table published on the Canadian Grain Commission website is the authoritative version
- The Canadian Grain Commission may make changes to a grade determination table during a crop year and the printed version may not reflect current information
- Any change to a grade determination table will be communicated through a [Canadian Grain Commission trade memorandum](#)
- Users of printed grade determination tables should check the Canadian Grain Commission website on a regular basis to ensure they are working with a current version of the table
- If a change has been made to a grade determination table during the crop year, a new table should be printed and the previous version discarded

Primary and export grade determination tables

Flaxseed, Canada Western (CW)

Grading factor	No. 1 CW	No. 2 CW	No. 3 CW	Grade, if No. 3 specs not met
Standard of quality				
Degree of soundness	Mature and sweet	Reasonably well matured and sweet	Excluded from higher grades on account of light weight or damaged seeds, may have the natural odour associated with low-quality seed, not distinctly sour, musty, rancid or any odour that would indicate serious deterioration	
Minimum test weight kg/hL (g/0.5L)	65 (305)	62 (290)	No minimum	
Variety	Any variety of flaxseed registered under the Seeds Act	Any variety of flaxseed registered under the Seeds Act	Any variety of flaxseed	
Standard of cleanliness Commercially pure seed	Not more than 1.0% of other seeds that are not readily separable from flaxseed, to be assessed as dockage	Not more than 1.5% of other seeds that are not readily separable from flaxseed, to be assessed as dockage	Not more than 2.0% of other seeds that are not readily separable from flaxseed, to be assessed as dockage	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Admixture
Yellow seeded flax % (in brown flax)	2	3	4	50% or less— Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Admixture
Brown seeded flax % (in yellow flax)	2	2	2	50% or less— Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Admixture
Damage				
Broken %	13	25	35	50% or less—Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Broken Over 50%—Sample Broken Grain
Heated %	0.1	0.2	10.0	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Heated
Total % Damage	13	25	No limit	
Foreign material included in dockage				
Ergot %	0.05	0.05	0.05	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Ergot
Excreta %	0.02	0.02	0.02	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Excreta
Sclerotinia %	0.10	0.20	0.25	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Admixture
Stones %	0.05	0.05	0.05	2.5% or less— Flaxseed, Rejected (grade) Account Stones Over 2.5%—Flaxseed, Sample Salvage
Inseparable seeds %	1.0	1.5	2.0	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Admixture
Total % Foreign material included in dockage	1.0	1.5	2.0	Flaxseed, Sample CW Account Admixture

Effective crop year 2026/27