

Notice of Changes to Circular 6
(Canadian Regulations and Procedures for Pedigreed Seed Crop Production ©)
Effective in 2023

Following a review by the Regulatory Services Committee, and consultation with members and stakeholders, the following changes to the *Canadian Regulations and Procedures for Pedigreed Seed Crop Production (Circular 6)* were approved by the CSGA Board of Directors to become effective in 2023. The official complete revised 2023 version of Circular 6 will be available on the CSGA website on February 1, 2023, and hardcopy versions will be available from the CSGA office upon request.

Effective in 2023, the following changes are made to the *Canadian Regulations and Procedures for Pedigreed Seed Crop Production (Circular 6)*:

1. **Isolation Requirements for Foundation, Registered and Certified status Bean, Chickpea, Fababean, Lentil, Lupin, Pea, and Soybean** are revised to remove the requirement for isolation for mechanical purity to other crop kinds. For example, an inspected crop of Soybeans for Registered status no longer requires isolation from a crop of peas (Section 3).

Isolation	
Minimum Isolation Distances Required from an Inspected Crop to Other Crops:	
1. Varietal Purity	Distance
a. Inspected pedigreed Soybean of same variety	1 meter (3 feet)
b. Different varieties of Soybean or non-pedigreed Soybean	3 meters (10 feet)
2. Mechanical Purity	Distance
a. Bean, Chickpea, Fababean, Lentil, Lupin, Pea	2 meters (6 feet)

Note: The isolation requirements for **Select status Bean, Chickpea, Fababean, Lentil, Lupin, Pea, and Soybean** for mechanical purity **remain in effect**. For example, a Soybean plot producing Select status seed still requires a 3m (10 feet) isolation from a crop of Bean, Chickpea, Fababean, Lentil, Lupin and Pea (Section 12).

Isolation	
Minimum Isolation Distances Required from an Inspected Crop to Other Crops:	
1. Varietal Purity	Distance
a. Inspected pedigreed Soybean of same variety	3 meters (10 feet)
b. Different varieties of Soybean or non-pedigreed Soybean	10 meters (33 feet)
c. Inspected pedigreed Soybean of same variety contaminated with off-types or other varieties of Soybean	10 meters (33 feet)
2. Mechanical Purity	Distance
a. Bean, Chickpea, Fababean, Lentil, Lupin, Pea	3 meters (10 feet)

For more information on how these changes may impact your 2023 seed crop production and seeding plans, please [email](mailto:seeds@seedgrowers.ca) or call us at 613-236-0497, ext. 227.