



Accredited Laboratory GB04

# Seed Testing Price List

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# OSTS Contact Points -

## Seed Quality Tests

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## Disease Tests

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## Seed Samples for Export *(Phytosanitary Certificate Requirement)*

For guidance telephone Marian McEwan,  
0131 244 8879 or Valerie Cockerell, 0131 244 8900.

Consideration of an application for a Phytosanitary Certificate is charged according to "The Plant Health (Export Certification) (Scotland) Order 2018 at £70.00 per hour (this includes pre-export testing, growing season inspection and certificate production where applicable).

## Pre-addressed sample bags

OSTS Laboratory  
T: 0131 244 8869 or 8803  
E: [seedtesting@sasa.gov.scot](mailto:seedtesting@sasa.gov.scot)

The Official Seed Testing Station for Scotland  
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Roddinglaw Road  
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W : <http://www.sasa.gov.uk/seed-testing-certification/official-seed-testing-station-osts>

# Seed Testing Packages

	Species	Package	Minimum Sample Size	Price Ex VAT (£)	Duration of test(s) (days)
Cereals	All cereals	<b>Essential</b> : Germination + Thousand Seed Weight	200g	33.50	7-14
	Wheat, Rye and Triticale	<b>Quick</b> : *Tetrazolium + Bunt + <i>Microdochium</i> Seedling Blight (Molecular)	500g	111.50	2-3
		<b>Standard</b> : Germination + Bunt + <i>Microdochium</i> & <i>Septoria</i> seedling blights**	250g	85.50	7-14
		<b>Standard T:</b> *Tetrazolium + Bunt + <i>Microdochium</i> & <i>Septoria</i> seedling blights**	250g	104.00	7-10
		<b>Health only:</b> <i>Microdochium</i> & <i>Septoria</i> seedling blights** + Bunt	250g	65.50	7-10
	Barley	<b>Standard</b> : Germination + Smut + Leaf stripe + Net blotch + <i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight**	400g	91.00	7-14
		<b>Standard T:</b> *Tetrazolium + Smut + Leaf stripe Net blotch + <i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight**	400g	108.00	7-10
		<b>Health only:</b> Smut + Leaf stripe + Net blotch + <i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight**	400g	75.50	7-10
	Oats	<b>Standard</b> : Germination + <i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight** + <i>Drechslera avenae</i> (Leaf spot)	200g	50.50	7-14

A TSW can be added to above packages at an additional cost of £9.00

\* Tetrazolium test results available after 1-2 days

\*\* *Fusarium graminearum*\* can be added to seedling blight test at an additional cost of £17.50.

	Species	Package	Minimum Sample Size	Price Ex VAT (£)	Duration of test(s) (days)
Pulses	All pulses	<b>Essential</b> : Germination + Thousand Seed Weight	600g	33.50	7-14
	Beans	<b>Standard</b> : Germination + <i>Ascochyta</i>	800g	56.50	7-14
		<b>Standard Plus</b> : Germination + <i>Ascochyta</i> + Stem nematode*	1250g	77.00	7-10
		<b>Health only</b> : <i>Ascochyta</i> + Stem nematode*	1000g	55.50	7-10
	Peas	<b>Standard</b> : Germination + <i>Ascochyta</i>	750g	50.50	7-14
	Vining Peas	<b>Standard Plus</b> : Germination + <i>Ascochyta</i> + Electroconductivity	750g	65.00	7-14
Oilseeds	All oilseeds	<b>Essential</b> : Germination + Thousand Seed Weight	50g	35.50	7-14
		<b>Essential plus (OSR)</b> : Germination + Radicle Emergence* <sup>^</sup> + Thousand Seed Weight	50g	52.00	7-14
	OSR, Brassicas	<b>Health only</b> : <i>Alternaria</i> * + <i>Phoma</i> * <sup>^</sup>	50g	110.00	11-14
		<b>Standard</b> : Germination + <i>Alternaria</i> * + <i>Phoma</i> * <sup>^</sup>	50g	127.50	11-12
	Linseed/flax	<b>Standard</b> : Germination + Seed-borne diseases* <sup>^</sup>	50g	71.00	7-10

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\* Test not included within UKAS scope of Accreditation

<sup>^</sup> Test included within ISTA scope of Accreditation

# Seed Quality Tests (Advisory)

	Test	Minimum sample size required	Price Ex VAT £	Duration of Test (days)
<b>Germination</b>	Cereals	200g	24.50	7-14
	Peas & Beans	600g	30.50	7-14
	Other Crops (including flower species etc)	200g *	25.00	7-28
	* For small or large seeded species please ask for advice on suitable sample size			
<b>Purity</b>	Cereals	250g	28.00	1-2
	Peas & Beans	1,000g	28.00	1-2
	Other Crops	200g *	Fee on request	1-2
	* For small or large seeded species please ask for advice on suitable sample size			
<b>Moisture Content</b> <i>(should arrive in an airtight container)</i>	ISTA Oven Method			
	All crop species	100g	21.50	1-2
	Moisture Meter Method			
	Wheat, barley, oats, triticale	300g	6.50	1
<b>Other Seed Count</b> <i>(Search)</i>	Cereals	1,000g	46.00	1-2
	Pulses	1,000g	46.00	1-2
	Oilseeds & Brassicas	200g	49.50	1-2
	Grasses	200g	49.50	1-2
	Other Crops	200g *	Fee on request	1-2
	* For small or large seeded species please ask for advice on suitable sample size			

	Test	Minimum sample size required	Price Ex VAT £	Duration of Test (days)
<b>Tetrazolium</b>	Cereals	100g	41.00	1-2
	**Other Crops (including flower species etc)	100g *	45.50	1-3
* For small or large seeded species please ask for advice on suitable sample size				
<b>Tetrazolium Vigour</b> (seed storage potential)	Barley & Wheat	100g	50.00	1-2
<b>Thousand Seed Weight</b>	Cereals	200g	17.50	1-2
	Peas & beans	800g	17.50	1-2
	Other crops	200g *	17.50	1-2
* For small or large seeded species please ask for advice on suitable sample size				
<b>Electro-conductivity</b>	Peas (excluding petit pois varieties)	200g	19.50	2-3
<b>Vigour</b>	<i>Brassica</i> spp.			
	Radicle emergence♦^	50g	33.50	1-2
	Controlled Deterioration♦^	50g	80.50	10-21

\*\* Please discuss testing requirements with Gillian McLaren/Valerie Cockerell prior to requesting test.

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#### Seed Mixtures

Samples of mixtures submitted for testing will be charged according to the time taken. For further details please enquire.

Contact point for advice on the above tests and interpretation of results  
**Gillian Musgrove (0131 244 8851)**

# Seed Health Tests

	Species	Test	Minimum Sample Size	Price Ex VAT (£)	Duration of test(s) (days)
Cereals	Wheat, Rye and Triticale	<i>Microdochium/Septoria</i> seedling blights (Agar)	200g	37.50	7-10
		<i>Microdochium/Septoria</i> seedling blights + <i>Fusarium graminearum</i> ♦	200g	59.00	7-14
		<i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight (Molecular)	200g	41.00	2-3
		Bunt	250g	35.50	1-2
		Ergot search	500g	14.00	1-2
	Barley	Loose smut	250g	55.50	1-2
		Leaf stripe/ Net blotch/ <i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight	200g	37.50	7-10
		Leaf stripe/ Net blotch/ <i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight + <i>Fusarium graminearum</i> ♦	200g	59.00	7-14
	Oats	<i>Microdochium</i> seedling blight/ <i>Drechslera avenae</i> (Leaf spot)	200g	37.50	7-10
		Loose smut	200g	55.50	1-2
	All Cereals	<i>Fusarium</i> spp. identification	Price on application		
Pulses	Beans	<i>Ascochyta fabae</i>	500g	37.50	7-10
		Stem nematode♦	500g	24.50	2-3
	Peas	<i>Ascochyta</i> spp.	500g	37.50	7-10
Pea bacteria blight♦		2,000g	92.50	14-21	
Oilseeds	Linseed	Seed-borne diseases♦^ ( <i>Alternaria linicola</i> , <i>Phoma exigua</i> var <i>linicola</i> , <i>Colletotrichum lini</i> , <i>Fusarium</i> spp., <i>Botrytis</i> spp.)	50g	53.50	7-10
OSR (and Brassicas)		<i>Alternaria</i> spp.♦	50g	53.50	7-10
		<i>Phoma lingam</i> ♦^	50g	64.00	11-14
Beet		<i>Phoma betae</i> ♦	100g	53.50	7-10
Other Crop Diseases	Please contact Marian McEwan or Valerie Cockerell				

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# Sampling

For test results to be meaningful, it is important that the sample submitted for testing is representative of the seed lot or bulk from which it is taken. If not the test result will not relate to the quality of the whole lot or bulk.

To take a representative sample, select a number of small samples from several bags, or from different parts of the bulk. If it is a very large bulk then it is better to sub-divide into smaller lots and take a representative sample from each lot.

The OSTs can provide more details on seed sampling procedures and equipment.

# Submitting Samples

## Please state test(s) or package required when submitting samples

- **Sample size** - Please send at minimum, the amount stated for the test or package of tests you require;
- All prices are exclusive of VAT. An account is sent out after completion of tests. Please **DO NOT** enclose payment with your seed sample;
- Contact OSTs Laboratory (0131-244 8869 or 8803) for pre-addressed sample bags;
- If sending in barley seed which was sprayed with glyphosate in the field let us know as this determines the germination method used in the laboratory;
- If you are not using our sample bags please ensure you include the following information as a minimum:

Name and Address  
Address for results and invoice if different  
Telephone No  
Email  
Kind of Seed  
Variety  
Your Reference  
Test(s) Required  
Seed Treatment (if any)

to: The Official Seed Testing Station for Scotland  
SASA  
Roddinglaw Road  
EDINBURGH  
EH12 9FJ  
T : 0131-244 8851  
E : [seedtesting@sasa.gov.scot](mailto:seedtesting@sasa.gov.scot)  
W : <http://www.sasa.gov.uk>





## Duration of Tests

Please note times quoted may vary (during peak periods) or due to seed quality issues, for example extended test because of seed dormancy.

We will always let you know if the test is going to take longer than the time quoted.

## Accreditation (ISO 17025:2017)

To view scope of Accreditation under UKAS and the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), visit the SASA website and click on 'Quality Assurance' then follow the links to UKAS and ISTA.

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