

**State of California
Office of Administrative Law**

In re:
Department of Food and Agriculture

Regulatory Action:

Title 03, California Code of Regulations

Adopt sections:

Amend sections: 3867

Repeal sections:

**NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF REGULATORY
ACTION**

Government Code Section 11349.3

OAL Matter Number: 2025-1202-01

OAL Matter Type: Regular Resubmittal (SR)

This rulemaking action by the Department of Food and Agriculture adopts labeling requirements for vegetable seeds in containers of more than one pound.

OAL approves this regulatory action pursuant to section 11349.3 of the Government Code. This regulatory action becomes effective on 4/1/2026.



Date: January 15, 2026

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For: Kenneth J. Pogue
Director

Original: Karen Ross, Secretary
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RESUBMITTAL

OAL FILE NUMBERS	NOTICE FILE NUMBER	REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER	EMERGENCY NUMBER
	Z-2025-0326-01	2025-1202-01 SR	

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NOTICE	REGULATIONS
OFFICE OF ADMIN. LAW 2025 DEC 2 AM9:11	
AGENCY WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY Department of Food and Agriculture	
AGENCY FILE NUMBER (If any)	

A. PUBLICATION OF NOTICE (Complete for publication in Notice Register)

1. SUBJECT OF NOTICE	TITLE(S)	FIRST SECTION AFFECTED	2. REQUESTED PUBLICATION DATE
3. NOTICE TYPE <input type="checkbox"/> Notice re Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Regulatory Action	4. AGENCY CONTACT PERSON	TELEPHONE NUMBER	FAX NUMBER (Optional)
OAL USE ONLY	ACTION ON PROPOSED NOTICE <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as Modified	NOTICE REGISTER NUMBER 2025, 15-2	PUBLICATION DATE 4/11/25

B. SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS (Complete when submitting regulations)

1a. SUBJECT OF REGULATION(S) Labeling of Seed Containers	1b. ALL PREVIOUS RELATED OAL REGULATORY ACTION NUMBER(S) 2025-0610-01S
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2. SPECIFY CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS TITLE(S) AND SECTION(S) (Including title 26, if toxics related)	
SECTION(S) AFFECTED (List all section number(s) individually. Attach additional sheet if needed.)	ADOPT AMEND 3867
TITLE(S) 3	REPEAL

3. TYPE OF FILING	REQUEST PFR AGENCY		
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular Rulemaking (Gov. Code §11346) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn nonemergency filing (Gov. Code §§11349.3, 11349.4) <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency (Gov. Code, §11346.1(b))	<input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Compliance: The agency officer named below certifies that this agency complied with the provisions of Gov. Code §§11346.2-11347.3 either before the emergency regulation was adopted or within the time period required by statute. <input type="checkbox"/> Resubmittal of disapproved or withdrawn emergency filing (Gov. Code, §11346.1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Readopt (Gov. Code, §11346.1(h)) <input type="checkbox"/> File & Print <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Changes Without Regulatory Effect (Cal. LSM Code Regs., title 1, §100) <input type="checkbox"/> Print Only

4. ALL BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES OF AVAILABILITY OF MODIFIED REGULATIONS AND/OR MATERIAL ADDED TO THE RULEMAKING FILE (Cal. Code Regs. title 1, §44 and Gov. Code §11347.1)
11/3/2025 to 11/20/20255. EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGES (Gov. Code, §§ 11343.4, 11346.1(d); Cal. Code Regs., title 1, §100)
 Effective January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1 (Gov. Code §11343.4(a))
 Effective on filing with Secretary of State
 \$100 Changes Without Regulatory Effect
 Effective other (Specify) _____6. CHECK IF THESE REGULATIONS REQUIRE NOTICE TO, OR REVIEW, CONSULTATION, APPROVAL OR CONCURRENCE BY, ANOTHER AGENCY OR ENTITY
 Department of Finance (Form STD. 399) (SAM §6660)
 Fair Political Practices Commission
 Other (Specify) _____7. CONTACT PERSON
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8. I certify that the attached copy of the regulation(s) is a true and correct copy of the regulation(s) identified on this form, that the information specified on this form is true and correct, and that I am the head of the agency taking this action, or a designee of the head of the agency, and am authorized to make this certification.

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ENDORSED APPROVER

SIGNATURE OF AGENCY HEAD OR DESIGNEE
Victoria HornbakerDigitally signed by Victoria Hornbaker
Date: 2025.12.01 14:20:08 -08'00'DATE
12/11/2025TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNATORY
Victoria Hornbaker, Director Plant Health & Pest Prevention Services DivisionV15776
PER AGENCY
REQUEST
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Amend the following:

§ 3867. Labeling of Seed Containers.

(a) In addition to the information required under Sections 52451 through 52455 and 52484 of the Food and Agricultural Code, each label of agricultural and/or vegetable seed shall include the Arbitration/Conciliation/Mediation Notice required in Section 3915.1, except seed covered by Sections 52454 and 52455 of the Food and Agricultural Code; seed Seed covered by Section 52454 of the Food and Agricultural Code shall bear the notice in accordance with Section 52454(b).

The procedure for making the formal complaint referred to in the Arbitration/Conciliation/Mediation Notice is set forth in Sections 3915 through 3918.

(b) Vegetable seed in containers of more than one pound shall be labeled with the genus, species, and rate of occurrence (in weed seeds per pound) of each restricted noxious weed seed specified in Section 3855 present in the lot.

Authority cited: Sections 407, 52331 and 52332, Food and Agricultural Code.

Reference: Sections 52332, 52451, 52452, 52453, 5545452454, 52455, and 52456, and 52484, Food and Agricultural Code.