

To: Registered Merchants, Processors & Packers,  
Licensed Seed Testing Stations & Licensed Seed  
Samplers in Scotland, NFU (Scotland), SSTA, SSTGA,  
AIC (Scotland), BSPB, DARDNI, AFBI, APHA, Welsh  
Government, NIAB, SG, Interested Organisations

Our ref: Seed Cert EC 151

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## UNITED KINGDOM SEED CERTIFICATION SCHEME – SCOTLAND

### AMENDMENT TO THE CLOSING DATE FOR SPRING SOWN CROPS - SCOTLAND 2018

Due to the current prolonged rainfall, cold temperatures and poor soil conditions Scottish Government have decided, for this year only, to put the closing date for spring sown crop entries back for two weeks (from 15 April to 30 April). This should allow seed companies to make alternative arrangements for drilling if required.

For the following, the new closing date is **30 April 2018**:

#### **Cereal seeds**

- spring sown cereals

#### **Fodder plant seeds**

- spring sown field peas and field beans

#### **Grasses and herbage legumes**

- spring lupins and spring sown vetches
- annual seed crops (fodder radish)

#### **Oil and fibre plant seeds**

- annual seed crops sown in spring, ie white mustard, brown mustard, flax, linseed, oilseed rape, sunflower and turnip rape

#### **Beet seeds**

- transplanted seed crops

#### **Vegetable seeds**

- spring sown biennial seed crops
- spring sown annual seed crops

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact a member of the Seed Certification Team at SASA or email [seeds@sasa.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:seeds@sasa.gsi.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely



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