

American oats entering Canada for feed must be denatured so that these shipments are kept out of Canada's grain marketing system. Oats imported from the U.S. for seed use must be accompanied by a seed certificate. These certificates are issued by Customs Canada after seed has been inspected by Agriculture Canada officials.

Provisions of the Canada Grain Act will govern the handling of U.S. oats within Canada. Under the Act, foreign grain is prohibited from entering the country elevator system unless permission is granted by the CGC. Corn and other grains entering Canada have been handled in this way for many years.

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