

MOST URGENT
BY EMAIL

F. No. 8-1/2022-S&I (E: 381310)
Government of India
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Food & Public Distribution

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: 17.02.2026

To,

The Secretary,
Food & Civil Supplies Department,
Government of.....
(All State Governments/UT Administrations)

Subject: Uniform specifications of Wheat and Barley for Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2026-27-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the Uniform specifications of Wheat and Barley for procurement under Central Pool during Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2026-27.

2. It is requested that, the procurement of Wheat and Barley during RMS 2026-27 be ensured by all the States/Union Territories and the Food Corporation of India strictly in accordance with the Uniform Specification. It is also requested that wide **publicity of the Uniform Specifications and Minimum Support Price (MSP) be made among the farmers** to ensure that they get the due price for their produce and that rejection of the stocks is avoided. The farmers may also be advised to offer only dry and clean stocks.

3. Receipt of this communication may please be acknowledged.

4. This issue with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully



(Vishwajeet Halder)

Joint Commissioner (S&R)

Tel: 23384784

Encl: as above

Copy to:

1. The Chairman and Managing Director, Food Corporation of India (FCI), New Delhi.
2. Executive Director (Commercial)/Executive Director (QC), FCI HQ, New Delhi.
3. General Manager (QC)/GM (Marketing & Procurement), FCI, HQ, New Delhi.

Contd..Pg/02

4. All Executive Director (Zones), FCI.
5. Managing Director, CWC, New Delhi.
6. The Secretary, Department of Agri. & Coop, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
7. The PSO to the Secretary (F&PD)/PPS to AS&FA/JS (P&FCI)/JS (Admin. & CVO) / JS (Stg.)/JS (PD, BP, NFSA and S&R).
8. The Director (BP and PD-I), Joint Director (Comp Cell)/ Director (Ply-II, III & FC-III) /Director (FCI)/ Director (Fin. & Budget)/ Joint Director (Mov.)/ Director (Impex, HVOC) / Director (NAC, ICT & DGQI)/ Director (S&VO, SP, SDF & SPF)/ Director (NFSA).
9. All QCC/IGMRI Offices.
10. US (Py. I, II, III, IV)/US (FC/ACs).
11. AD (S&I)/AD (QC)/AD (CGAL).
12. Director (Technical), NIC with the request to put the information on the Ministry's website.



UNIFORM SPECIFICATION FOR INDIAN WHEAT OF ALL VARIETIES FOR RABI
MARKETING SEASON 2026-2027

Wheat shall:

- a. be the dried mature grains of *Triticum vulgare*, *T. compactum*, *T. sphaerococcum*, *T. durum*, *T. aestivum* and *T. dicoccum*.
- b. have natural size, shape, colour and lustre.
- c. be sweet, clean, wholesome and free from obnoxious smell, discolouration, and admixture of deleterious substances including toxic weed seeds and all other impurities except to the extent indicated in the schedule below.
- d. be in sound merchantable condition.
- e. not have any admixture of *Argemone mexicana* and *Lathyrus sativus* (khesari) in any form, colouring matter and any obnoxious, deleterious and toxic material.

SCHEDULE OF SPECIFICATION

Foreign Matter %	Other food grains %	Damaged grains %	Slightly damaged grains %	Shriveled & Broken grains %	Weevilled grains (%)
0.75	2.00	2.00	4.00	6.00	1.00

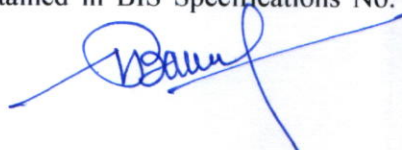
NOTE:

- a. Moisture in excess of 12% and up to 14% will be discounted at full value. Stocks containing moisture in excess of 14% are to be rejected.
- b. Within the overall limit specified for foreign matter, the poisonous weed seeds shall not exceed 0.4% of which Dhatura and Akra (*Vicia species*) shall not be more than 0.025% and 0.2% by weight respectively.
- c. Kernels with glumes will not be treated as unsound grains during physical analysis, the glumes will be removed and treated as organic foreign matter.
- d. Within the overall limit specified for damaged grains, ergot-affected grains shall not exceed 0.05 %.
- e. In case of stocks having a living infestation, a cut at the rate of Rupee two per quintal may be charged as fumigation charges.
- f. For weevilled grains determined by count, stocks containing weevilled grains in excess of 1% will be rejected. The rate of cut for weevilled grains will be @ Rs.2 per quintal.

Method of Analysis:

As given in Bureau of Indian Standard No. IS 4333 (Part I and Part II) 2018 and as amended from time to time except for weevilled grains which are to be determined by count method.

Definitions of Refractions: As contained in BIS Specifications No. 2813-1995 and as amended from time to time.



UNIFORM SPECIFICATION OF BARLEY FOR RABI MARKETING SEASON (RMS 2026-27):

Barley shall:

- a. be the dried mature grains of *Hordeum vulgare*.
- b. have uniform size, shape and color.
- c. be sweet, clean, wholesome, and free from obnoxious smell, discoloration, admixture of deleterious substances & all other impurities except to the extent indicated in the schedule below.
- d. not have any admixture of *Argemone mexicana* and *Lathyrus sativus* (Khesari) in any form, coloring matter, pesticide, or any obnoxious and toxic material.
- e. be in sound merchantable condition and the procurement of the foodgrain commodity under central pool shall be carried out as per the schedule of specifications given below.

SCHEDULE OF SPECIFICATION

S. No.	Refractions	Maximum Limits (%)
1.	Foreign matter	0.75
2.	Other foodgrains	5.00
3.	Damaged grains	3.00
4.	Slightly damaged & touched grains	8.00
5.	Immature & Shrivelled grains	8.00
6.	Weevilled grains	1.00
7.	Moisture content	12.00

NOTE:

- a. Within the overall limits of foreign matter, the poisonous weed seeds shall not exceed 0.5%, of which Dhatura and Akra (*Vicia* species) shall not be more than 0.025% and 0.2 % by weight respectively.
- b. Moisture in excess of 12% and upto 14% is to be discounted at full value. Stocks containing moisture in excess of 14% are to be rejected.
- c. For weevilled grains determined by count, stocks containing weevilled grains over 1% will be rejected. The rate of cut for weevilled grains will be Rs. 2 per quintal.
- d. In case of stocks having a live infestation, a cut at the rate of Rs. 2 per quintal may be charged as fumigation charges.

Method of Analysis:

As given in Bureau of Indian Standard No. IS. 4333 (Part I & II) 1967 and as amended from time to time except for weevilled grains which are to be determined by count method.

Definitions of Refractions: As contained in BIS specifications No. 2813-1995 as amended from time to time.
