

Statement for Quarantine of IOC 2020 Oat Lines

The Australian Organising Committee requests anyone wanting to have oat varieties or advanced breeding lines in the nursery for IOC 2020 send seed by 9 April 2018. This may seem far too early to make this request, but all seed sent to Australia must pass through a quarantine growth cycle before we can grow it in the field. We are working with Australian Grains Genebank (AGG) to undertake the required quarantine process. All lines sent and processed through quarantine by the AGG would be lodged into the genebank and made publicly available. A material transfer agreement (MTA) needs to be submitted to Sally Norton (sally.norton@ecodev.vic.gov.au), AGG before sending the seed. About 5g of seed is required for the quarantine process. For access to the required import permit and full import instructions on how to send the seed to Australia, please contact Shane King (shane.king@ecodev.vic.gov.au). If you have any other questions, please email pamela.zwer@sa.gov.au. Thanks.