WHERE CAN I BUY CERTIFIED NOXIOUS WEED FREE FORAGE & STRAW?

A list of growers (baled hay & straw) can be found on the ISDA's webpage. In addition, certified baled hay & straw, forage cubes, & compressed forage bales can be found at most retail feed stores.

OTHER GOOD STEWARDSHIP PRACTICES TO FOLLOW:

ISDA recommends pre-feeding your animals
Certified Noxious Weed Free Forage 48
hours prior to entering Idaho public lands (to
purge digestive tract). It is also suggested to
thoroughly brush & clean hooves before
leaving home to remove potential seeds
from your animal.



WHO SHOULD I CONTACT IF I SEE A NOXIOUS WEED?

Contact your County Weed Control Superintendent or the Public Land Manager for the area you are recreating. DO YOUR PART TO HELP STOP THE SPREAD! LEARN HOW TO IDENTIFY & CONTROL NOXIOUS WEEDS!







NOXIOUS WEED FREE FORAGE & STRAW CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Idaho State

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WHAT IS NAISMA?

The North American Invasive Species
Management Association, NAISMA, sets minimum
weed free inspection requirements for uniform
participation of the states in the program. ISDA
has incorporated its forage & straw inspection
procedures into the NWFFS Rules.

CERTIFICATION STANDARDS:

The ISDA NWFFS program has two standards of certification. They follow the same inspection procedures however, the fields are inspected for different noxious weeds.

Idaho Standard

Fields are inspected for the 71 noxious weeds listed on the Idaho Noxious Weed List.

NAISMA Standard

Fields are inspected for the 71 noxious weeds listed on the Idaho Noxious Weed List as well as the 21 that are on the NAISMA List, totaling 92 noxious weeds.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THIS PROGRAM?

To limit the spread of noxious weeds through the movement of forage & straw onto United States Forest Service (USFS) & Bureau of Land Management (BLM) lands, as well as other public lands in Idaho.



WHY SHOULD I CARE?

Non-certified forage & straw may contain viable noxious weed seeds. Noxious weeds displace native plant species, decreasing grazing capacities, & most noxious weeds are non-edible to wildlife & livestock.

Idaho Noxious Weed Free Forage & Straw Certification Program

HOW CAN I HELP?

If entering Idaho USFS or BLM lands with any forage or straw, be sure it is certified noxious weed free. Possessing non-certified forage or straw on these Idaho

public lands is subject to penalty.

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WHAT IS CONSIDERED FORAGE?

Any type of hay, forage cubes, or compressed forage bales.

HOW WILL I KNOW IF I AM PURCHASING CERTIFIED PRODUCTS?



Idaho Standard certified bales will have an ISDA bale tag attached to the bale twine. The tag will display the certification year, a unique tag number, the county that it was certified in, and the standard that it was certified to.



NAISMA Standard certified bales may also be marked with the same ISDA bale tag, or marked with at least one strand of <u>blue</u> & <u>orange</u> certification twine encircling

*In 2022, NAISMA switched from purple & yellow certification twine to blue & orange but will continue to honor the purple & yellow twine until the current inventory has been exhausted.

the bale.

Certified compressed forage bales can be identified by yellow binding material labeled

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with the manufacturer's name & "ISDA NWFFS" in purple ink, & 2 vertical purple lines before & after the above statement.

Certified forage cube bags or feed tags will be printed with a label including the following:



WHICH CERTIFICATION STANDARD SHOULD I PURCHASE?

NAISMA Standard certified products can be transferred to states that recognize the NAISMA standard, whereas the Idaho Standard certified products only meet the Idaho USFS and BLM NWFFS requirements, and may not be accepted by neighboring states.

Approximately 99% of the forage & straw inspected in Idaho is certified to the NAISMA Standard.

If you plan to leave Idaho with the product, it would be best to purchase NAISMA Standard certified products.