Recommended Industrial Hemp Production Procedures

Field Planting
a) Fields will be planted to facilitate inspection, roguing and harvesting.
b) Fields will be planted in areas easily accessible for frequent maintenance and to provide the maximum protection from outside sources of contamination, such as roadways and building sites.
c) Regulations for land requirements are minimum standards and caution is necessary in choosing land, as volunteer growth from previous crops may vary according to local conditions.
d) The regulations for isolation are minimum standards. It is always to the grower’s advantage to provide more isolation than required. When planting Foundation fields, specific requirements may influence the location and size of the field. It is a safeguard if adjacent crops are the same variety as the field and are inspected for certified status.

Roguing
a) The field must be thoroughly and intensively rogued many times throughout the crop season.
b) Off-type male flowers must be removed before the receptive stage of female flowers in the inspected crop.
c) The numbers and kinds of plants removed should be recorded and described on the appropriate forms.
d) All male flowers rogued from the crop must be removed from the production area and burial is recommended.
e) Regrowth of rogued flowers or plants must be prevented.

Harvesting, Cleaning and Storing
a) A seed grower should have access to the necessary equipment for harvesting and cleaning the seed from the field in such a manner as to ensure that the varietal purity of the seed is maintained.
b) The seed should be stored, in compliance with federal or local regulations, in a clean, cool, dry area.
c) The seed containers should be labelled for identification.

It is recommended that not more than one variety of Industrial Hemp be grown under the management of one grower.