

# AOSA BY-LAW CHANGE PROPOSAL #5

## Amended

### Purpose:

Currently AOSA does not have a clear policy in the Bylaws for the Reinstatement of Certified Seed Analysts other than requesting that the analyst brings their continuing education points up to date.

### Present statement:

ARTICLE XVI – CONTINUING EDUCATION Section 3

3. Any Certified Seed Analyst failing to meet these requirements within two (2) years will receive written notice from the Teaching and Training Committee that continuing education requirements must be met within the next 12 months. Failure to meet these requirements shall result in the loss of Certified Seed Analyst certification. Reinstatement of Certified Seed Analyst may be accomplished by bringing the continuing education points up to date. (2007) (2017)

### Proposed change:

ARTICLE XVII - Policy for the Reinstatement of Certified Seed Analysts, Certified Seed Analysts-Germination and Certified Seed Analysts-Purity

1. Any CSA that has been away from seed testing for 5 years or less must accumulate 10 CE points. The analyst would need to submit a plan to the AOSA Consolidated Exam Committee Co-Chair and which would include any of the following areas:
  - Hands on seed schools and seed workshops
  - A maximum of 5 CE points may be obtained from pre-approved college course(s)
  - Individualized training outside of the analyst's regular work environment
  - Participation in the AOSA/SCST proficiency testing program or other proficiency testing program
2. Any CSA that has been away from seed testing greater than 5 years must take their CSA-G, CSA-P or both again. The candidate must work in either purity or germination for a minimum of 6 months to be eligible to take the exam of their choice; purity or germination. If the candidate wishes to take both purity and germination exams at the same time, the analyst must work in both areas for one year to be eligible to take these exams. During this time, the candidate must also participate in the most recent Rules webinar (live or recorded). In person training is also an asset.

### Harmonization:

Adding Article would make clear the requirements to re-certify analysts that have been absent from seed testing while not necessarily requiring them to re-take exams. It will also ensure that analysts who return to seed testing are qualified to do so.

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