

**COUNTY OF GRANDE PRAIRIE NO. 1
POLICY MANUAL**

Legal References:	Policy Department: Agriculture Services
Cross References: Agricultural Service Board	Policy Number: D6
Adoption Date: June 14, 1999 Revision Date:	Policy Title: Virulent Blackleg Guidelines

POLICY PURPOSE:

To minimize the impact of Virulent Blackleg in the County of Grande Prairie No. 1 and the Peace Region.

POLICY STATEMENT & GUIDELINES:

Authority:

Virulent Blackleg is a pest under the Agriculture Pests Act of Alberta (1984). The Ag. Pests Act of Alberta authorizes Inspectors appointed under the Act to:

- enter onto land and inspect for pests;
- issue notice specifying measures required to control the pest or prevent the pest from establishing.

Education

The County of Grande Prairie #1 Agriculture Services shall educate producers on proper rotation and the significance of the Agriculture Pest Act. The ASB shall survey and test approximately 150 fields for Virulent Blackleg. Surveys are required to record the level of infestation.