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PREFACE

This Standard was prepared by the Standards Australia Committee HE-031, Traditional Chinese Medicine.

The objective of this Standard is to specify requirements and test methods for ginseng seeds and seedlings, *Panax ginseng* C.A.Meyer. It is suitable for marketing of ginseng seeds and seedlings, *Panax ginseng* C.A. Meyer. It also provides measures of quality assurance for ginseng cultivators.

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Part 1:

Panax ginseng C.A. Meyer**1 Scope**

This part of ISO 17217 specifies minimum requirements and test methods for ginseng seeds and seedlings, *Panax ginseng* C.A. Meyer. It is suitable for marketing of cultivated ginseng seeds and seedlings, *P. ginseng* C.A. Meyer. It is also suitable for quality assurance for ginseng cultivators.

2 Normative references

The following documents, in whole or in part, are normatively referenced in this document and are indispensable for its application. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), *International Rules for Seed Testing*

International Seed Testing Association (ISTA), *Working Sheets on Tetrazolium testing*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1**seed lot**

specified quantity of seed that is physically and uniquely identifiable

[SOURCE: ISTA, International Rules for Seed Testing, definition 2.2.1]

3.2**primary sample**

portion taken from the seed lot during one single sampling action

[SOURCE: ISTA, International Rules for Seed Testing, definition 2.2.2]

3.3**composite sample**

formed by combining and mixing all the primary samples taken from the seed lot

[SOURCE: ISTA, International Rules for Seed Testing, definition 2.2.3]

3.4**subsample**

portion of primary sample obtained by reducing a sample

[SOURCE: ISTA, International Rules for Seed Testing, definition 2.2.4]