

Hemp crop nomenclature

Seed crop

A crop is grown for producing seeds that can be used for planting or selling as a commodity.

Grain crop

A crop that is grown for harvesting seeds as grain, which can be used for industrial purposes as human food.

Food crop

A crop is grown for producing food products for human consumption, such as hemp seeds, oil, milk, flour, protein powder, etc. Grain and Food crop terms can be used interchangeably.

Biomass crop

A crop that is grown for producing biomass, which is the plant material (stems, leaves, flowers) that can be used for specific industrial applications such as biofuel production, composting, etc.

Fibre crop

A crop that is grown for producing fibre from the bast (outer layer) and hurd (inner core) of the stem, which can be used for making textiles, paper, rope, building materials, or bioplastics. Fibre and Biomass crop terms can be used interchangeably.

Feed crop:

A crop that is grown for providing feed to livestock animals, either as fresh forage or as hay or silage.

Fodder crop

A crop that is grown for providing fodder to livestock animals, which is the chopped and processed plant material (usually stems and leaves) that can be mixed with other ingredients to make a balanced diet.

