

## Seed weevils

Seed weevils can be found in a number of different seeds. However, there are always a percentage of oak seeds that contain weevils. Commercially, hot water is used to kill insects in seeds. Oak seeds are soaked in water at 120°F for 30 minutes to eliminate weevils. The heat treatments must be precise temperature and timing must be maintained or seeds will be damaged.

For small seed lots, you can use a float test to separate those seeds with the insect. Seeds that float usually are infested with weevils.

