

Express II - a modern twist on a perennial favorite.

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PERENNIAL RYEGRASS

INTRODUCTION:

Express II is a thoroughly proven product of the PICKSEED breeding program. Developed at PICKSEED, Express II is an elite, lower growing, dense, dark green beauty and has demonstrated excellent germination, establishment and growth at higher salt levels (10,000 ppm dissolved salts).

Express II is an excellent blend partner with other PICKSEED perennial ryegrasses in the Futura 3000 blend, and it also blends perfectly with Transist™2600 intermediate ryegrass in the popular Futura 2500 overseeding blend.

Alone you can use Express II as a persistent, long-lived perennial turfgrass, or as an overseeding grass in the south.

DISEASE RESISTANCE:

Express II has good to excellent resistance to most of the major diseases of perennial ryegrass such as Pythium, Brown Patch, Gray Leaf Spot, Red Thread, and Dollar Spot. Thanks to its very high endophyte level, Express II provides good resistance to surface and crown feeding insects such as sod webworms, army worms, billbugs and others.

In the north a seeding rate of 6 - 8 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. is recommended, but a southern overseeding rate of 10-20 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. for fairways and roughs can be used. For overseeded southern golf greens, 30-40 lbs. of Express II per 1000 sq. ft. gives the best results. You can expect germination in warm soils in 4-6 days.

TECHNICAL PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Year of Introduction	2008
Main Uses	Perennial turf, overseeding, sports turf
Seed Count	280,000 seeds / lb.
Normal Days to Germinate	4 - 6 days
Normal Days to First Mowing	18 days
Turf Quality Ratings (OR, PA, NJ, AZ plots)	Excellent
Genetic Color	Very dark green - 8.0
Summer Stress Tolerance	Very good
Leaf Texture	Medium - 7.0
Summer Turf Density	Dense - 7.5
Salt Tolerance (10,000 ppm)	Very good
Winter Injury	Good tolerance
Close Mowing Tolerance	Very good
Growth Rate	Medium
Leaf Spot Resistance	Good
Gray Leaf Spot Resistance	Good
Brown Patch Resistance	Good - 7.0 (PA)
Red Thread Resistance	Very good



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