

Amenity Mixtures

Economy Landscape with ryegrass Ref. MIX ECO

A low cost mixture, designed to cover larger areas quickly. Suitable for banks, verges and other non-prestigious areas. Will require maintenance to keep smart appearance.

- 50% certified dwarf perennial ryegrass
- 50% certified creeping red fescue

Sow at 35 grams per square metre (1 oz per sq yard)

£2.84 per kg

Low Maintenance without ryegrass Ref. MIX LM

A seeds mixture which requires very little mowing or maintenance. It will tolerate shade and grows on all soils including poor and infertile types.

- 70% certified sheeps fescue
- 20% certified chewings fescue
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 35 - 70 grams per square metre (1 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£3.71 per kg

Orchard Mixture Ref. MIX ORC

A low growing mixture which tolerates some shade and which requires little maintenance.

- 15% certified sheeps fescue
- 20% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 35% certified red fescue
- 25% certified smooth meadowgrass
- 5% certified bentgrass

Sow at 20 - 35 grams per square metre
(0.5 - 1.0 oz per sq yard)

£3.83 per kg

Reinstatement Mixture with ryegrass Ref. MIX RV

An all round mixture which is used for verges, pipelines and other reinstatement projects.

- 35% certified perennial ryegrass
- 20% certified chewings fescue
- 30% certified creeping red fescue
- 10% certified smooth meadowgrass
- 5% certified bentgrass

Sow at 35 - 70 grams per square metre
(1 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£3.31 per kg

Ornamental Lawn without ryegrass Ref. MIX ORN

A superb fine leaved mixture with a superior finish. It is suitable for sites where a 'bowling green' finish is required. The mixture is relatively slow growing and tolerates light shade but will require regular mowing and feeding to keep its appearance.

- 80% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 20% certified bentgrass

Sow at 50 - 70 grams per square metre
(1.5 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£5.96 per kg

Hard Wearing Lawn with ryegrass Ref. MIX HAR

Designed to produce a tough and durable lawn which is easy to grow and live with. The mixture contains dwarf ryegrass, fescue and bentgrass which together produce a knitted turf and offers unbeatable toughness.

We have supplied this mixture for thirty years and frequently hear positive reports from our customers. As well as being used as a lawn this mixture will produce a suitable turf for caravan parks and airfields. Turf growers also like the blend as it establishes quickly.

- 50% certified dwarf perennial ryegrass
- 40% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 50 - 70 grams per square metre
(1.5 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£3.98 per kg

Shady Lawn without ryegrass Ref. MIX SHA

A slow growing mixture for low light areas. A good turf can be produced especially when the mowing height is increased to 2-3 inches.

- 30% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 30% certified red fescue
- 30% certified smooth meadowgrass
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 50 - 70 grams per square metre
(1.5 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£4.22 per kg



Greens Mixture

Ref. MIX GRE

The classic greens mixture which has become a standard choice on many courses. It produces a very fine turf which makes an ideal putting surface.

Bentgrass and chewings fescue are the only two grasses normally used for the production of very fine turf. This is due to the requirement for close cylinder mowing. The bentgrass will become the dominant species over time and once established can be mown to 5mm. The mixture can also be used for bowling greens and for over-seeding and repair work.

- 80% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 20% certified bentgrass

Sow at 50 - 70 grams per square metre
(1.5 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£5.96 per kg

Tees Mixture

Ref. MIX TEE

For tough and durable tees the following mixture is ideal. It consists of fine leaved and durable grasses which once fully established will look smart and resist wear.

The inclusion of smooth meadowgrass considerably improves the turfs ability to withstand drought, keeping tee looking good in dry times. This mixture is ideally mown at 8 - 10 mm.

- 30% certified dwarf ryegrass
- 30% certified smooth meadowgrass
- 30% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 50 - 70 grams per square metre
(1.5 - 2 oz per sq yard)

£3.85 per kg

Fairway Mixture

Ref. MIX FAI

This mixture contains fescues and bentgrass which bind the turf together with their creeping growth habit. These grasses have the ability to repair themselves once damaged and will require less frequent mowing than ryegrass based mixtures.

- 20% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 40% certified chewings fescue
- 30% certified creeping red fescue
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 35 - 50 grams per square metre
(1 - 1.5 oz per sq yard)

£3.48 per kg

Rugby & Football Reseed & Renovate

Ref. MIX SPO

A very hard wearing and fast establishing mixture which can be used for all winter sports. It is also perfectly suitable for school playing fields and for over-seeding pitches at the end of the season.

- 80% certified dwarf perennial ryegrass
- 20% certified creeping red fescue

Sow at 35 - 50 grams per square metre
(1 - 1.5 oz per sq yard)

£2.92 per kg

Tennis & Wicket with ryegrass

Ref. MIX TEN

Ball bounce and speed are improved on dense and compact turf. This mixture is formulated to provide a quality surface and will need frequent mowing and rolling to produce the best results. This mixture is also suitable for hockey.

- 45% certified dwarf ryegrass
- 15% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 30% certified chewings fescue
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 35 - 50 grams per square metre
(1 - 1.5 oz per sq yard)

£3.77 per kg

Cricket Outfield without ryegrass

Ref. MIX OUT

Areas such as cricket outfields are sown with a fescue/bent mixture. This provides a slow growing and easy to maintain turf, capable of taking moderate wear.

- 20% certified slender creeping red fescue
- 40% certified chewings fescue
- 30% certified creeping red fescue
- 10% certified bentgrass

Sow at 35 - 50 grams per square metre
(1 - 1.5 oz per sq yard)

£3.22 per kg



Seeds for Turf

The seeds we use for lawn, sports or amenity areas are very different from the rest of those featured in this catalogue. Amenity seeds are specifically bred and selected for characteristics such as wear tolerance, greenness, disease resistance and fineness of leaf.

Unlike agricultural species these seeds only produce small plants and therefore need to be sown at considerably higher rates.

The main choice the user must make is whether to select a mixture with or without dwarf ryegrass. The ryegrass is useful as it establishes quickly and tolerates wear. However, it will require more frequent mowing and if this is a consideration then it is best avoided.

Ornamental Lawns

For an ornamental lawn a fine leaved seed mixture of fescues and bent should be sown. These mixtures provide a very fine and low growing turf which tolerates close mowing.

To get the best results, ornamental lawns should be mown frequently mown regularly with a cylinder mower. Once established, these lawns are quite hard wearing and will grow well on most soils and in shaded areas. The amount of toppings they produce is less than lawns containing ryegrass.

Tough and Reliable Ryegrass

Many lawns are subjected to heavy wear from children, dogs and other traffic. In these cases we recommend the use of ryegrass.

There are many misconceptions concerning ryegrasses. They are used agriculturally and until about twenty years ago these same ryegrasses were used in lawn mixtures. The situation changed when plant breeders developed dwarf ryegrasses.

Dwarf ryegrasses have been specifically bred to produce fine leaves and maintain greenness whilst retaining tremendous wear tolerance. These dwarfs are a real breakthrough and should not be confused with their agricultural counterparts. They are quick and easy to grow and are an ideal component of mixtures which are expected to receive wear.

The disadvantage of ryegrasses is that they do grow more quickly than non ryegrasses and therefore will require more frequent mowing. Typically, a 5-7 day period between cuts is likely in the peak growing season during May and June.

Shaded Lawns

All growing things need light and grasses are no exception. From experience we know that the less vigorous grasses such as the fescues will tolerate less light than fast growing types such as ryegrass. When establishing lawns in permanent shade results may be unsatisfactory. For example, in areas by walls or under evergreens it will be difficult to get perfect results.

Grass growing in very shaded areas will benefit from being left long, around 2 or 3 inches, thus leaving maximum leaf area for available light.

Establishing New Grass

A firm, level and fine seed bed should be prepared prior to sowing. The seed should be sown, usually by broadcasting, lightly incorporated into the soil by raking and then rolled. Once the seeds have germinated the grass should be allowed to grow to two inches before mowing off the top half inch. This height can be maintained or can be reduced to around three quarters of an inch.

Should your turf develop bare patches or be damaged re-sow 70 grams of seed per square metre, lightly rake and water if necessary. Once fully established it is recommended to apply a spring and autumn application of fertiliser containing nitrogen, phosphate and potash (also known as N, P and K).

When to Sow

Timing of sowing is weather dependant. Soil temperatures need to be above 6C. This is usually achieved by late March and sowings take place after this until early October.